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Preface.

THE East has of late been the point of extraordinary attraction, and much new light has been thrown on Scripture by recent travellers to the Holy Land. Some of these have not run through the country, nor have they taken things by hearsay, but they have diligently explored whatever they considered likely satisfactorily to answer their inquiries. These have also paid especial attention to the illustration of Scripture, and have possessed a competent share of Oriental learning to aid their object. Dr. ROBINSON and Dr. WILSON have considerably augmented our stores of Eastern literature, and "Roberts's Oriental Customs" is a volume which itself may be called a treasury of Oriental knowledge. Dr. KITTO has also obtained deserved celebrity as an Oriental expositor. But how few can afford to purchase even the choicest of the travels, many of them being very expensive works; and Kitto's "Pictorial Bible" and "Palestine" are also published at too high a price for numbers who would fain be purchasers, and are too elaborate for general use. Such a work as "THE ORIENTAL BIBLE" meets the wants and means of a numerous class of readers, and, indeed, forms a compact Cyclopædia of Oriental Intelligence. The reader will here find ample information respecting the manners, customs, and geography of the Holy Land, and of those countries which were in some way associated with it in the historical pages of Scripture; and a good Index will facilitate every inquiry. The utility of the cuts to such a work must be obvious at the first glance, and the portable size recommends it for its convenience. Of the type, paper, and general advantages, as a typographical work, the readers will be able readily to judge; every effort has been made to render it worthy of public patronage.

To avoid repetitions, and the swelling of the work to an inconvenient size, many subjects once explained, when referred to in other places will be found amply elucidated by turning to the Alphabetical Index at the end of the volume.

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ADVANTAGES OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH ORIENTAL CUSTOMS.

THE knowledge of Oriental customs is of great importance to the right understanding of the Scriptures. Some Christians are contented to read their Bibles without any such aids, and some discard all commentators; but these, to be consistent, should also renounce all the means of grace of which preaching is the most distinguished, "for it hath pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." Be it observed, that preaching is not merely repeating God's word, but comparing one part with another, assisting the understanding of it, enforcing it on the conscience, and applying its various parts to the circumstances of the hearers. Men who are masters of the original languages in which the Scriptures are written, will be able to open many treasures before concealed as in a mine, and brought out only by a diligent search. And the apt illustration of Scripture, by explaining the numerous *Oriental allusions*, will be of no small service in rendering the sacred pages interesting and instructive. We are introduced familiarly to scenes where all the great events recorded in the Bible are exhibited, and they become a perfect panorama before the mind's eye. Texts which were not previously well-understood, are more clearly elucidated; the whole landscape of the Holy Land is set before us so as to be seen with a bird's-eye view. The positions of places—the productions of the earth—the labours of the husbandman—the marches of the caravans, and the attacks of Arab banditti—the very rocks and caves, fields and gardens, rivers and mountain tops, all explain numerous passages of Holy Writ, and prevent us from passing slightly over many which in their connexion and bearings are valuable and deserving of studious attention; and we should remember that "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God," and therefore "*all* Scripture" is deserving of our serious consideration. Not a line has been uselessly written. Men of fruitful minds may *spiritualize*, as it is called, and pretend to explain what they really do not understand; but it is only a judicious use of the facts of Scripture that will open to us many portions of the Word of God. And of late a remarkable progress has been made in the means of advancing in this part of scriptural knowledge. Nor, should we forget including in our remarks those interesting domestic scenes which even now extant carry us back to the earliest patriarchal ages. Abraham at his tent door—Sarah at her cooking—Abraham's servant seeking a wife for Isaac—Jacob's manner of meeting his brother Esau—and many other incidents, receive much light when we fully understand the customs of the East. We know that without this knowledge, the "Holy Scriptures" of themselves are "able to make wise unto salvation," and so they are with merely reading them without hearing them explained; but on matters of such importance we cannot be too inquisitive, studious, or well-informed.

Among other advantages of the knowledge of Oriental customs we may say that

1. *They strongly confirm the truth of the Bible.* Infidels have endeavoured here to detect errors, and have quibbled at the smallest things, like the ignorant carper at the old wine bottles, who was not sufficiently informed to know that in the East they are made of leather, and that an old wine bottle is not therefore so strong as one that is new. And some of the more learned and daring of the French infidels absolutely shouted a triumph because they had discovered, as they supposed, a complete contradiction to the Mosaic chronology in some Egyptian hieroglyphics, which CHAMPOLLION, one of their own countrymen, has since clearly deciphered, and annihilated for ever the false basis on which they vain-gloriously fixed their infidelity. In all such investigations of diligent inquirers after truth, the Scriptures have thus been more and more confirmed, and the boasted glory of infidels been turned into shame.

2. *The accuracy of the Bible, in its Geography and Topography, has likewise been strongly confirmed by Oriental researches.* This has enhanced its value as a book of *authority*. The discoveries in *Edom* have astonished the world, and even at this moment the researches in *Nineveh* aid us, among other things, in accounting for the apparently most extravagant figures of the prophet Ezekiel, and its sculptures, together with Egyptian hieroglyphics, show us at once, in the clearest light, all the whole chamber of imagery.

3. *The pages of Prophecy in particular have been surprisingly unfolded by the discoveries in the Holy Land and its vicinity.* Of this powerful fact Dr. KEITH has availed himself, and has used it skilfully against infidelity, fighting many infidels with their own weapons. Every thing predicted has been fulfilled, and to this day the scattered Jew—the wandering and wild Arab—the desolations of Edom, Babylon, Judea, Tyre, and Sidon—are all irresistible evidences that "every word of God is true."

We come, then, to the conclusion of Dr. ADAM CLARKE, in his preface to the fourth edition of "Harmer's Observations" on Oriental customs and manners: 'Without such a work, ninety-nine out of every hundred of those who profess to teach the Church of God, must remain, in many important respects, ignorant of the contents of that Book which alone contains the science of salvation.'

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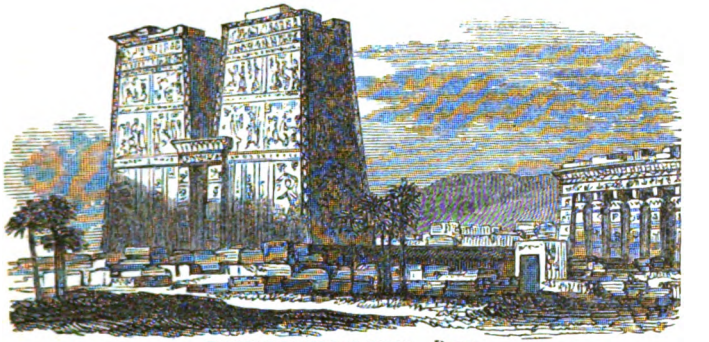
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EGYPTIAN TEMPLE AT EDFOU.—*Denon.*

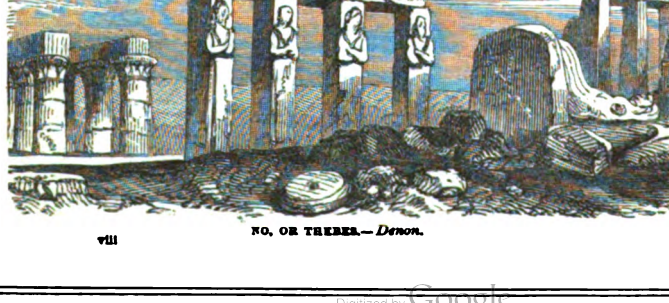
BIBLE ANTIQUITIES.—EGYPT.

Egypt is in the land of Ham, a son of Noah. It is separated from Europe by the Mediterranean, and lies between Asia and Africa, but considered as a part of the latter. Its principal stream, the Nile, empties itself into the Mediterranean. On the east it is bounded by Palestine, Idumea, Arabia Petræa, and the Arabian Gulf; on the west by the moving sands of the vast Libyan desert. Egypt itself is included within 11,000 square miles. Its population was anciently 6,000,000 of souls, but is now reduced to about 2,800,000. The country was formerly divided into three great provinces. Upper Egypt, or the Thebaid, the southern portion of the valley of the Nile, and here was the great capital, Thebes. Luxor, Karnac, Gournou, &c., now occupy the site of this once vast city; and the stupendous remains of ancient buildings which are found in the neighbourhood of them all still bear ample testimony to the former magnificence of Thebes. The second province was middle Egypt, lying immediately to the north of the Thebaid. The northern portion was called Lower Egypt, and here once stood the great capital of the whole empire, Memphis. Of this all that remains are the three great pyramids of Ghiseh, the colossal sphynx, and the hewn tombs of the rocky ground. Egypt was near Canaan, and its history and antiquities carry us back to the earliest records of Scripture. Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Israel—all have some association with Egypt. But where, except in the Bible, can we find the records of ages so long past? These records infidels were accustomed to despise, and when the ingenuity and perseverance of learned men had found the way to unlock the treasures of Egyptian hieroglyphics, they boldly used them for their own base purposes, and, having made confident assertions, reared upon the inventions of their own imaginations, as if they were the ground-work of truth. From the sculptures found upon the roofs of the temples of Dendarah and Esneh, in Upper Egypt, they drew inferences, which, though they were vague, it was not easy to disprove. One writer, M. Gorl, reckoned the zodiacs to be at least 17,000 years old! All this was an effort to disprove the Mosaic chronology. Meantime the art of deciphering the hieroglyphics of Egypt, which appeared on all their ancient walls and ecimmus, was most perseveringly pursued, and Dr. Thomas Young, and especially a young Frenchman named Champollion, made considerable progress in the matter. By comparing Greek names and titles with figures representing the same in hieroglyphics, they arrived at a true key to the attainment of their great object. 'An interesting as well as amusing result was noticed in the first announcement of the discovery. Champollion acted upon the circular zodiac of Dendarah the titles of Augustus Cæsar, and upon the square one at Esneh the title of Antoninus. That temple, then, which M. Dupuis had asserted to be 2000 years older than the Christian era, proved to have been built about the time of its commencement; while the temple of Esneh, to which another authority had assigned an antiquity of at least 17,000 years before that period, ought to have been dated 140 years after it. These were the first fruits of this extraordinary discovery; and it is pleasant to have to relate that they thus subserved the cause of Scriptural truth. The bold assertions of these infidels regarding the extreme antiquity of the zodiacs had certainly made a considerable impression in this country, as well as on the continent. The effect of this complete exposure of their groundlessness was highly beneficial. It exercised much influence in exposing the pretensions of a class of arrogant writers upon antiquity, who had assumed a tone of all but infallibility in perverting everything to be found upon any part of this subject, either in existing remains or in ancient writings, to support their opposition to the Bible.'—*Antiquities of Egypt.* The learned of all ranks and countries now began to pay attention to the new field of literature. In 1828 the French and Tuscan governments sent out learned men and artists to explore and delineate the newly-opened book of antiquity; Champollion and Rosellini, an Italian antiquary, being appointed their guides and directors. They remained two years, and returned enriched with great treasures. Some important historical facts have been discovered fitting in with the Mosaic narratives, and confirming the accuracy of other later portions of Jewish history. 'The monumental remains of ancient Egypt, compared with the fragments of Manetho, and with Herodotus and Diodorus the Greek historians, give us the names of the first monarch of Egypt—Menes, who, according to Josephus, reigned many years before Abraham;—the era of the pyramids of Ghizeh, near Memphis, in Lower Egypt;—the invasion of the shepherd kings, of whom Pharaoh known to Abraham was probably one, and the king who exalted Joseph another;—the golden age of the era of Amosis, who, after the time of Joseph, expelled the shepherd kings, and recovered the throne of Egypt, and by whose descendants nearly all the temples and palaces now standing in magnificent ruins were begun, and under the last of whom the exodus of the Hebrews took place;—the era of decline, when the country was a second time invaded by the shepherds, who forced the infant son of that Pharaoh who perished in the Red Sea, and his protectors, to take refuge in Ethiopia, until, having grown to maturity, he regained his father's throne, and built the palace of Medinet Abou—the last expiring effort of the greatness of ancient Egypt. No trace of any large building (scarcely that of one of any size) remains, which was begun in the 800 years of slow but sure decline that elapsed between the expulsion of the second invasion of the shepherds and the destruction of the monarchy by Cambyses the Persian. The Pharaohs of this period found sufficient occupation for the little energy that remained in Egypt, in the attempt to carry forward the vast piles that their great ancestors had begun and left unfinished. The events of the exodus are absolutely required to account for this very remarkable circumstance.' Idolatry has, with more than probability, been traced to the Babylonians, that is, in their pristine state. When scattered from Babel they wandered over the earth. Having revolted against God they lost the knowledge of him,

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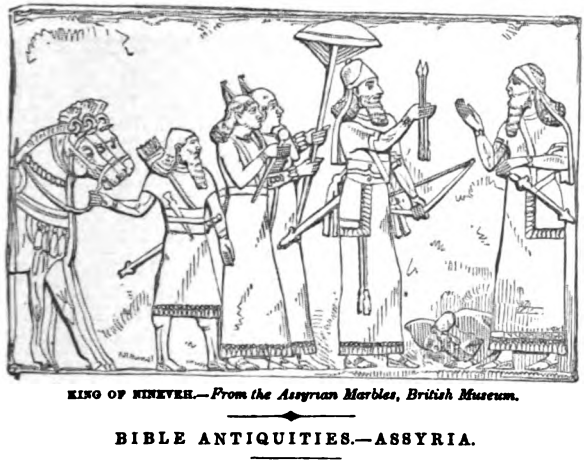
and, left to themselves, evidently followed a course afterwards uniformly pursued by all who never had the light of revelation. The first settlers on the banks of the Nile are supposed to have been present at the building of Babel, and therefore carried with them something of the knowledge of God. Their consciences dictated the duty of paying him homage, but their vain imaginations led them fearfully astray. The hieroglyphical discoveries shew their awful stupidity, and how low man can sink where the light of revelation does not guide his steps amidst the dangerous quagmires around him. Here was Egypt early renowned for wisdom and learning, but priest-ridden by the basest of men and women, who reduced the minds of men below the level of brutes, and cultivated practices of iniquity and cruelty which the pen dare not describe. Their hieroglyphics record their own ignorance and shame, and justify the description given of the heathen. Rom. i. 21—23. The sun, the heavenly bodies, a cat, a dog, a crocodile, a beetle, a snake—these were objects of worship, and at least regarded as symbols of deity. And as they would describe their God in his distinct attributes, they delineated him with the head of some animal whose leading characteristic they considered to be like that of the Creator. Among other discoveries it has been found that the Egyptians had retained the notion of a triune god, and all the other gods delineated are but modifications of this idea. A remarkable incidental corroboration of the veritable statements of Scripture is to be seen in a large cut of brick-makers which has been published, from a drawing taken from the figures of a tomb at Thebes. 'Never, perhaps,' says the editor of the Antiquities of Egypt, 'has so striking a pictorial comment as this upon the sacred text been before discovered. The physiognomy of the Jews it is impossible to mistake; and the splashes of clay with which their bodies are covered, the air of close and intense labour that is conveyed by the grouping on the left side of the picture, and, above all, the Egyptian task-master seated with his heavy baton, whose remorseless blows would doubtless visit the least relaxation of the slaves he was driving from their wearisome and toilsome task of making bricks and spreading them to dry in the burning sun of Egypt, give a vivid impression of the exactitude of the Scripture phrase, "All their service wherein they made them serve was with rigour."' Other parts of this striking sketch made by Rossellini are equally striking and expository of the sacred page.

'The magnificent remains of Egypt, half perished and dilapidated as most of them are, still impress the mind with an idea of its grandeur. Before the annals of the western world began, or while the inhabitants of Europe, including Greece, were involved in barbarism, the Egyptians had attained to a high degree of civilization and luxury.'—Gibbon. The renowned city of Alexandria arose in all its glory; and, long before the art of printing was invented, the great library of Alexandria, formed by the first Ptolemy and maintained by his successors, was the largest collection of books ever brought together. At one time the number of volumes amounted to 700,000. During the siege of Alexandria by Julius Cæsar, 400,000 were, however, destroyed by fire, and the Christians pillaged it, and dispersed much of its contents, A.D. 391. Its final destruction was effected by the Saracens, who found, in these precious relics of antiquity and records of genius, a sufficient quantity of fuel to heat the numerous baths of Alexandria for six months. Of the grandeur of Alexandria we may form some conception from the fact that, when it fell before the Saracen army, under Omar, A.D. 640, his reports to the caliph states the city to have contained 4,000 palaces, 4,000 baths, 400 theatres and other public edifices, and 12,000 shops. But we go back to remains of ages yet more remote, and view those wonders of the world, the *pyramids* of Egypt. 'It is impossible,' says Dr. Clarke, 'in his travels, that persons susceptible of any feelings of sublimity could behold them unmoved. With what amazement did we survey the vast surface which was presented to us when we arrived at this stupendous monument, which seemed to reach the clouds.' The pyramids of Gizeh are the longest and most curious. They stand upon a bed of rock some 150 feet above the desert, and may consequently be seen at very great distances. The use of these pyramids is now a mystery. Some have supposed they were granaries; some, a retreat from the overflowing Nile; some, monuments of great events; some, temples for consulting oracles; some astronomical observatories; some, altars for the gods, and afterwards tombs for kings;—but the general opinion is, that they were designed as monuments for the dead. The principal pyramid is Cheops', whose four sides occupy about 2,000 feet, and is 116 feet higher than St. Paul's. The base of this pyramid would nearly fill Lincoln's Inn Fields, all of which is filled with masonry towering to the sky. 6,000 000 tons of stone were used in building this pyramid; and, according to Herodotus, 100,000 were employed on the work during twenty years. Whether the Israelites had a portion of the labour of building the pyramids is but conjecture; but, it is a curious fact, that Herodotus mentions that 1,800 talents of silver, equal to £345,600 were expended for radishes, onions, and garlic for the workmen; and that the Israelites longed for these in the wilderness, though they had to eat them under taskmasters. The gigantic statue of the sphinx is another wonder of ancient Egypt. This carved monster's head measured 102 feet round, and every other part was in proportion. There are other pyramids, but they need not here be specified. Before finishing this sketch, we must not forget Thebes in Upper Egypt, 'the city of a hundred gates; the theme and admiration of ancient poets and historians; the wonder of every traveller, in every age.' Pococke calls it 'that venerable city, the date of whose destruction is older than the foundation of most other cities;' and says, that 'the extent of its ruins, and the immensity of its colossal fragments, still offer so many astonishing objects, that one is rivetted to the spot, unable to decide whither to direct the step, or fix the attention.' When the French army first saw these ruins, they simultaneously clapped their hands with delight. 'It appeared to me,' says Belzoni, 'like entering a city of giants, who, after a long conflict had been all destroyed, leaving the ruins of their vast temples as the only proofs of their existence.' But the attempt is vain to describe all the monuments of antiquity scattered over the plain of Thebes; our foot cut gives a faint specimen. Our head cut also gives the temple at Edfou, of which we can only add, it is 454 feet in length, and 212 in breadth; and the two pyramidal piles of which it is composed are each 414 feet high. One door forms an entrance to both. The palace and ruins of Luxor, the hall of Karnac, and other wonders of art, must be left for the reader's further research, if he wishes to know more of this extraordinary and celebrated country.



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KING OF NINEVEH.—*From the Assyrian Marbles, British Museum.*

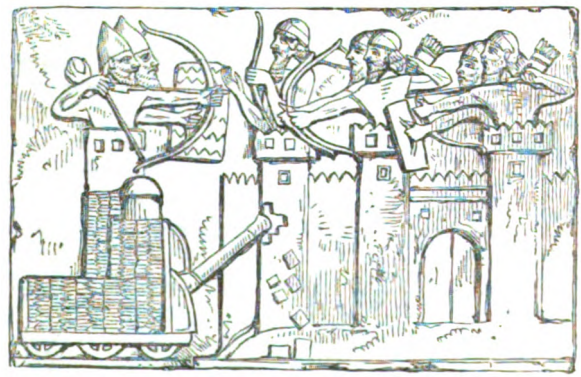
BIBLE ANTIQUITIES.—ASSYRIA.

Assyria is lost in the obscurity of past and far-distant ages. But for the Bible its origin would scarcely be known. Herodotus and Ctesias are the original sources of profane history on this subject, and these contradict each other. But we must distinguish between the country of Assyria and the Assyrian empire. Assyria Proper was a region east of the Tigris, the capital of which was Nineveh. Its name was derived from Ashur, the second son of Shem, Gen. x. 22. When the monarchs enlarged their dominions by conquest, the name of the metropolitan province was extended to the whole empire. "According to Ptolemy, Assyria was in his day bounded on the north by Armenia, the Gordiæan or Carduchian mountains, especially by mount Niphates; on the west by the river Tigris and Mesopotamia; on the south by Susiana or Chusistan in Persia, and by Babylonia; and on the east by a part of Media, and mountain Chambrus and Zagrus. The city of Nineveh, like other enormous capitals, rose gradually to its prodigious greatness. The commencement of its greatness may be dated about 1230 years before Christ, when it was enlarged by Ninus, its second founder, and became the greatest city in the world, and mistress of the East. It extended its length along the eastern banks of the Tigris, while its breadth reached from the river to the eastern hills. According to Diodorus it was of an oblong form, fifteen miles long and nine broad, and consequently forty-eight miles in circuit. Its walls were 100 feet high, and so broad that three chariots could drive on them abreast; and on these walls were 1500 towers, each 200 feet high. However, this vast space was not all covered with dwellings. Like Babylon, it contained parks, fields, and detached houses and buildings, such as may be seen in the East to the present day. This statement agrees with holy writ, where we learn that Nineveh was "an exceeding great city of three days' journey," (Jonah i. 2; iii. 3,) probably referring to its circuit. Its population, as stated in Jonah iv. 11, was exceedingly great, and, from that description, must have amounted to 600,000 persons. The burden of doom of wicked Nineveh was delivered by the prophet Nahum 721 years before Christ, but still mercy suspended the sword of justice 115 years longer. At length the devoted city fell before the Medes and Babylonians, under Arbaces, about 606 years before the time of Christ. Like Babylon, Nineveh was protected by a river: in the former, the channel of the Euphrates was drained by Cyrus; and in the latter, a prodigious inundation of the Tigris threw down its walls. Diodorus Siculus relates, that the king of Assyria, after the complete discomfiture of his army, confided in an old prophecy, that Nineveh would not be taken unless the river should become the enemy of the city; that, after an ineffectual siege of two years, the river, swollen with long continued and tempestuous torrents, inundated part of the city, and threw down the wall for the space of twenty furlongs; and that the king, deeming the prediction accomplished, despaired of his safety, and erected an immense funeral pile, on which he heaped his wealth, and with which himself, his household, and palace, were consumed. Prophecy, with a wonderful minuteness, foretold the destruction of Nineveh: "The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved." Nahum ii. 6 "The Lord will make an utter end of the place thereof, affliction shall not rise up the second time," Nahum i. 9. "She is empty, void, and waste," Nahum ii. 10. In accordance with these prophecies, in the second century Nineveh had utterly perished, there was no vestige of it remaining, and none could tell where once it was situated. An ancient city opposite to Mousal has been taken by travellers for ruined Nineveh, but some, with more probability, considered these remains to be those of a Persian city, built at a much later period, and demolished by the Saracens. For some time search has diligently been made to find any buried ruins of Nineveh, but in vain. Mr. Layard, an Englishman, first suggested the probability of making some important discoveries on a mound at Nimroud, on the left bank of the Tigris, and about twenty-five miles south of Mousal. He could obtain no aid from the British government in the prosecution of his important inquiries, by which he could not avoid incurring considerable expense. In his difficulties he applied to Sir Stratford Canning, English ambassador in Turkey, who nobly aided him from his own purse. In the meantime, the French government, more liberal in such matters than our own, stepped in and encouraged M. Botta, the French consul at Mousal, to engage in the work of exploration, by which means he preceded Mr. Layard in some discoveries, which have since been forwarded to Paris. At length our countryman received a little help from home, and the British Museum now contains some of the results of his indefatigable researches, though it is to be regretted that some have been imported for the private museum of a nobleman, where but few eyes will see them. Three palaces have been discovered—one at Khorsabad by M. Botta, and two by Mr. Layard. The walls of the palace of Nimroud, whence the sculptures have been taken, are of unburnt brick or clay, encrusted with slabs of marble, eight inches thick, and seven feet wide; the height is not at present ascertained, as the inscriptions were cut off to make the marbles more portable. These slabs were firmly united together by plugs of brass or wood, as well as wedge-shaped cramps; and each wall presented a record of the valour of the king, both in the war and in the chase. The marble slabs, as they are called, for they are a kind of gypsum, exhibit costumes, customs, instruments of war &c., which have been lost to every human eye for 2500 years! The high state of art among the Ninevites and Babylonians is surprising. The drawing and figures of the Egyptians resemble the first attempts

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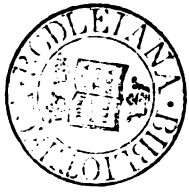
of our school-boys, with outlines formed as if on purpose to ridicule nature. But here we have admirable proportions, and even some of the most delicate outlines beautifully delineated. They are intended to record facts which may be easily understood. All are the workmanship of genius, and are done with spirit. While looking on the warlike chariots and horses, we must be struck with the accordance of their character with that given by the prophet Nahum, ch. ii. 3, 4. The king is seen in various occupations—riding, drinking, hunting, warring, treating for peace, &c. The number of bas-reliefs on the side walls is exceedingly great. Many of these are in the highest state of preservation, and all executed with extraordinary spirit. They already furnish us with a key to the military genius of the Assyrians, and correct mistakes which have been current for centuries. The Greeks and Romans have during ages been considered as the inventors of machines of war now found to have been used by the Assyrians. They had the battering-ram, the moving tower, the catapult, and other like machines of war. The monuments of Egypt have added new chapters on ancient history, and so will the sculptures of Assyria. Much knowledge is obtained by the graphic scenes exhibited, but much more will be accumulated as one recorded scene opens the way to the interpretation of another. Some ingenious and learned men have also found the key to interpret the cuneiform inscriptions. They have compared some that are trilingual, and hence two out of the three have given a hint for the translation of the third. The characters are difficult, but not more than the Egyptian hieroglyphics. The Persian is known to oriental scholars of distinction, and that affords a key to the Median and Babylonian. The Babylonian and Assyrian characters are not quite the same, but there is little doubt of overcoming this difficulty. Now when we learn that many thousand inscriptions are opened for interpretation, and that they will doubtless be ultimately deciphered, we may conceive the importance of the excavations to historical research. 'It must occur to everybody, too, how invaluable they may turn out to biblical illustration, and the interpretation of the prophecies. Among these inscriptions, how many may contain records of the chosen people, whose annals were so long connected and blent with those of Assyria! The expense of working and conveying home some of these interesting wonders is exceedingly great, but a professedly Christian and literary country would not complain were the national finances always expended to as good purpose.

This article may be suitably closed with a few remarks on the religion and remarkable symbols of the Babylonians as seen on their recently discovered sculptures. Everything connected with a nation which forms so prominent a part in the historical and prophetic pages of Scripture, is worthy of our close attention. We may here see the leading characteristics of a people among whom the children of God had to pass their seventy years of captivity, and the causes of grief to the more devout, who, during that period, hung their harps upon the willows that drooped over the rivers of Babylon. Idolatry prevailed in its grossest forms, in contrast to that pure worship of the One Jehovah which was established at Jerusalem; and this, together with their captivity, gave the Jews so great a disgust at idolatry, that into that sin, to which they were once so prone, they have never since fallen. It is believed that the religion of the Babylonians was, in the earliest ages of their history, a pure Sabeanism, in which the heavenly bodies were worshipped as mere types of the power and attributes of the Supreme Deity. Of the great antiquity of this primitive worship there is abundant evidence; and that it originated amongst the inhabitants of the Assyrian plains, we have the united testimony of sacred and profane history. It obtained the epithet of perfect, and was believed to be the most ancient of religious systems, having preceded even that of the Egyptians. In process of time, Sabeanism, which corrupt form of worship placed the creature on the throne of the creator, became yet more corrupt, and hence from adoring the sun, we have the origin of fire-worship, a worship which, from the close connexion between Babylon and Persia, prevailed also in the latter country. Herodotus says, 'The Persians adore the sun, the moon, earth, fire, water, and the winds, which may be termed their original divinities. In after times, from the example of the Assyrians and Arabians, they added Urania (Venus) to their number. The Chaldean shepherds, as they watched over their flocks by night on the Assyrian plains, never learned to look through nature up to nature's God. They had a beautiful book opened before them, but they had no divine instructor to teach them how to read it. How degraded was the wisdom of man, which, with high attainments in science, could worship sun, moon, and stars, and invest them with divine attributes! The Assyrians abounded in religious types and emblems. Representatives of the heavenly bodies, as sacred symbols, are of constant occurrence in their most ancient sculptures; and it is remarkable, that in the temples of India, many of their symbols are to be found. A frequent emblem of deity is a circle with wings, to denote time out of bounds or eternity. It was often used on cornices. The Baal or supreme Deity of the Babylonians was identified with the sun. Diodorus speaks of this deity as Jupiter. Expensive statues of idolatry are mentioned by Daniel as existing in Babylon, and we are informed that Nebuchadnezzar set up an image of gold in the plain of Dura, which was threescore cubits in height, and six cubits in breadth. A very common type of the Supreme Deity was a human-headed bull; an emblem of power, united with superior wisdom. To this, and numerous other such figures, some mythic meaning was, without doubt, always attached. They had also their images of their sacred birds, which were a kind of demons, who exercised a peculiar influence over mankind. For further remarks on the symbolical worship of the Babylonians, see the notes on Ezekiel.

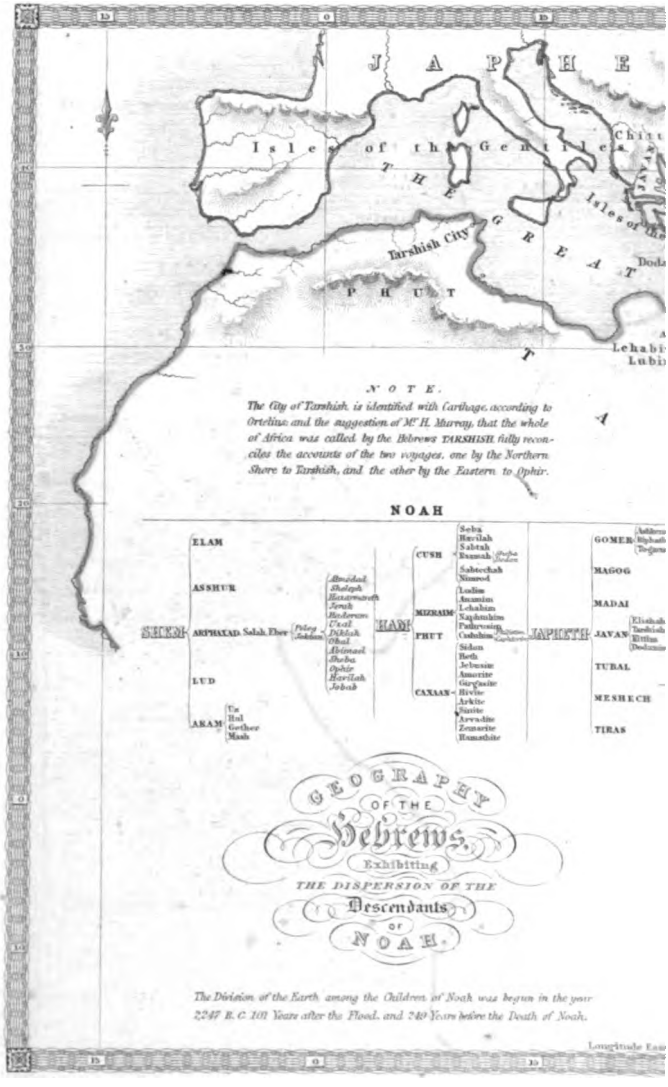


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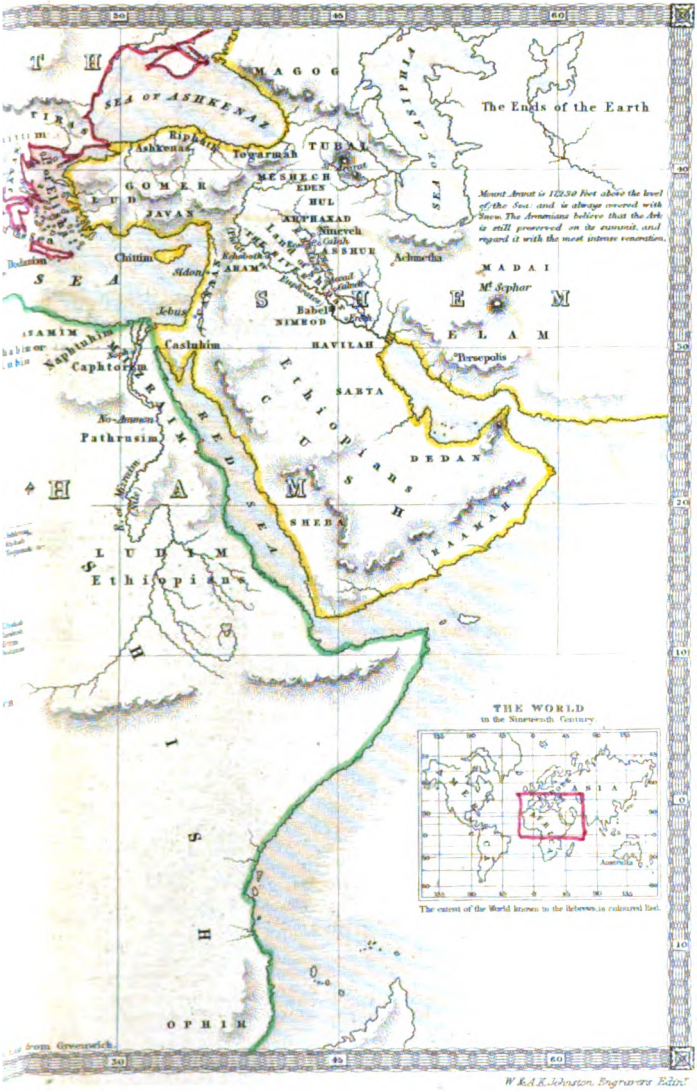


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The First Book of MOSES, called GENESIS.

This word in Greek means *generation*; the Hebrew text is, 'in the beginning.' The title is descriptive of the origin of all things in the visible universe.

CHAP. I.

IN the [a] begmning [b] God created the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. [c] And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

3 [d] And God said, [e] Let there be light: and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided [f] the light from the darkness.

5 And God called the light [g] Day, and the darkness he called Night. [†] And the evening and the morning were the first day.

6 ¶ And God said, [g] Let there be a [‡] firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made the firmament, [i] and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* [k] above the firmament: and it was so.

8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

9 ¶ And God said, [l] Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.

10 And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was* good.

11 And God said, Let the earth [m] bring forth [§] grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding [n] fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

12 And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 ¶ And God said, Let there be [o] lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide [‡] the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and [o] for seasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light [§] to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to [p] rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that *it was* good.

19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the [q] moving creature that hath [†] life, and [‡] fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the [§] open firmament of heaven.

21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which

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[a] Jno. 1. 1, 2. Hr. 1. 10.
[b] Ps. 8. 3. 148. 6. Is. 44. 24. Je. 10. 12. Ac. 17. 24. Col. 1. 16, 17.
[c] Ps. 33. 6. Is. 40. 13, 14.
[d] Ps. 33. 9.
[e] 2 Co. 4. 6.
[f] *between the light and between the darkness.*
[g] Ps. 104. 20.
[†] *And the evening was, and the morning was.*
[g] Job 37. 18. Ps. 136. 5. Je. 51. 15.
[‡] *expansion.*
[h] Ex. 7. 19. 1 Co. 11. 7.
[i] Pr. 8. 28.
[k] Ps. 148. 4.
[l] Job 26. 10. Je. 5. 22. 2 Pe. 3. 5.
[m] Le. 25. 9. Ps. 127. 3.
[n] He. 6. 7.
[§] *creepeth.*
[‖] *tender grass.*
[o] Lu. 6. 44.
[o] *seeding seed.*
[p] Job 38. 31. Ac. 14. 17.
[q] *a living soul*
[r] Ps. 104. 21. 1 Ti. 4. 4.
[s] De. 4. 19.
[‡] *between the day and between the night.*
[t] Ps. 104. 19.
[u] Ps. 33. 6.
[v] Ex. 31. 17. He. 4. 4.
[§] *for the rule of the day.*
[x] Ne. 9. 14. Is. 58. 13.
[‖] *created to make.*
[y] Je. 31. 35.
[z] Ps. 90. 1, 2.
[a] or, *creeping.*
[†] *soul.*
[‡] *let fowl fly.*
[b] Job 38. 36. 39
[§] *face of the* As we word *of heaven.*
[‖] or, *a mist which went up from, &c.*

the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

26 ¶ And God said, [a] Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27 So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, [m] Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that [§] moveth upon the earth.

29 ¶ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb [o] bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; [p] to you it shall be for meat.

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* [†] life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.

31 And [r] God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

CHAP. II.

THUS the heavens and the earth were finished, and [s] all the host of them.

2 [v] And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

3 And God [x] blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God [‖] created and made.

4 ¶ [z] These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,

5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not [a] caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground.

6 But [b] there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

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7 And the LORD God formed man [a] *of* the [b] dust of the ground, and [c] breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and [d] man became a living soul.

8 ¶ And the LORD God planted [e] a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow [f] every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; [g] the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was [h] parted, and became into four heads.

11 The name of the first *is* Pison: that *is it* which compasseth [i] the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold;

12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone.

13 And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of [k] Ethiopia.

14 And the name of the third river *is* [l] Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth [m] toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates.

15 And the LORD God took [n] the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden [o] thou mayest freely eat:

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof [p] thou shalt surely die.

18 ¶ And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; [q] I will make him an help [r] meet for him.

19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and [s] brought *them* unto [t] Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof.

20 And Adam [u] gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.

21 And the LORD God caused a [v] deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, [w] made he a woman, and [x] brought her unto the man.

23 And Adam said, This is now [y] bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called [z] Woman, because she was [a] taken out of [b] Man.

24 [c] Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not [d] ashamed.

CHAP. III.

NOW [e] the serpent was [f] more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, [g] Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 [h] But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4 [i] And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* [k] pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves [l] aprons.

8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God [m] walking in the garden in the [n] cool of the day: and Adam and his wife [o] hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, [p] and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, [q] The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

14 And the LORD God said [r] unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and [s] dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between [t] thy seed and [u] her seed; [v] it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; [w] in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* [x] to thy husband, and he shall [y] rule over thee.

17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: [z] cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; [a] in sorrow shalt thou eat *of* it all the days of thy life;

18 Thorns also and thistles shall it [b] bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

19 [c] In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and [d] unto dust shalt thou return.

20 And Adam called [e] his wife's name [f] Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

22 ¶ And the LORD God said, [g] Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

[a] *dust of the ground.*
[b] 2 Co. 11. 3.
[c] Ps. 104. 14. Ec. 12. 7.
[d] Job 33. 4.
[e] 1 Co. 15. 45.
[f] Is. 51. 3.
[g] Exo. 31. 6.
[h] *a desire.*
[i] Re. 22. 2, 14.
[k] *or, things to gird about.*
[l] ch. 25. 18.
[m] Job 28. 1.
[n] *wind.*
[o] Job 31. 33.
[p] *Cush.*
[q] Da. 10. 4.
[r] *or, eastward to Assyria.*
[s] 1 Jno. 3. 20.
[t] *or, Adam.*
[u] Pr. 28. 13.
[v] *eating thou shalt eat.*
[w] *dying thou shalt die.* Ro. 6. 23. Ja. 1. 15.
[x] Ex. 21. 29, 32.
[y] 1 Co. 11. 9.
[z] 1 Ti. 2. 13.
[a] *as before Adam.*
[b] Is. 65. 25. Mi. 7. 17.
[c] Ps. 8. 6.
[d] *or, the man.*
[e] Ac. 13. 10. 1 Jno. 3. 8.
[f] Is. 7. 14. Mi. 5. 3. Mat. 1. 23, 25.
[g] Col. 2. 15. He. 2. 14. 1 Jno. 5. 5.
[h] *called.*
[i] Jno. 16. 21. 1 Ti. 2. 15.
[k] 1 Sa. 26. 12.
[l] *or, subject to thy.*
[m] Ep. 5. 22. 24. 1 Ti. 2. 11, 12. 1 Pe. 3. 1, 5, 6.
[n] *budded.*
[o] Pr. 18. 22. He. 13. 4.
[p] Ro. 8. 20.
[q] Ep. 5. 30.
[r] Job 5. 7. Ec. 2. 23.
[s] *Isha.*
[t] 1 Co. 11. 8.
[u] *Ish.*
[v] *cause to bud.*
[w] ch. 31. 15. Ps. 45. 10. Mar. 10. 7. 1 Co. 6. 16.
[x] 2 Th. 3. 10.
[y] Ex. 32. 25.
[z] Ro. 5. 12. He. 9. 27.
[a] *Chevah,* i. e. *living.*
[b] Re. 20. 2.
[c] Mat. 10. 16.
[d] *Yea, because, &c.*
[e] ver. 5. like Is. 19. 12 47. 12, 13.
[f] ch. 2. 17.

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24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

CHAP. IV.

AND Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?

10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear.

14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.

15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

16 And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.

17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.

18 And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

19 And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

20 And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and *of such as have* cattle.

21 And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.

22 And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain *was* Naamah.

23 And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt:

24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, *said she*, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.

26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

CHAP. V.

THIS *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;

2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.

3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:

4 And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:

5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos:

7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters:

8 And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.

9 And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan:

10 And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters:

11 And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.

12 And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel:

13 And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters:

14 And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

15 And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared:

16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:

17 And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

18 And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch:

19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

20 And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

21 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah:

22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:

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a *whetter.*
d Ps. 104. 4. Heb. 1. 7.
† *or, I would slay a man in my wounding, &c.*
‡ *i.e. gotten, or acquired.*
§ *or, as my hurt.*
‖ *Hebel.*
• *a feeder.*
b ch. 5. 3.
† *at the end of days.*
‡ *Sheth, i. e. appointed, or, put.*
c Nu. 18. 17.
d ch. 5. 6.
§ *sheep,* or, *goats.*
‖ *Enosh.*
• *or, to call themselves by the name of the* LORD.
e 1 Ki. 18. 21. Ps. 116. 17. Joel 2. 32. Zep. 3. 9. 1 Co. 1. 2.
• ch. 21. 2.
f 1 Ch. 1. 1. Lu. 3. 38.
g Ep. 4. 24. Col. 3. 10.
† *or, have the excellency?* Ho. 11. 4.
‡ *or, subject unto thee.* ch. 3. 16.
h 1 Ch. 1. 1, &c.
i Mat. 23. 35. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
k Jno. 8. 44.
l ch. 3. 19.
§ *bloods.*
m Ho. 12. 24. Ro. 6. 10.
‖ *Kenan.*
• *or, Mine iniquity is greater than that it may be forgiven.*
n Job 15. 20, 21.
o Ps. 51. 11.
p Nu. 35. 19, 21, 27.
†Gr. *Malaleel*
r Ps. 79. 12.
s Eze. 9. 4, 6.
t 2 Ki. 24. 20. Je. 23. 39.
‡ *Jered.*
§ *Chanoch.*
u Ps. 49. 11.
v Jude 14, 15.
‖ *Lemech.*
• *Gr. Mathusala.*
x ch. 17. 1. 2 Ki. 20. 3. Ps. 16. 18. 116. 9. 126. 1. Mi. 6. 8.

24 And [a] Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat [b] Lamech:

26 And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters:

27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

28 ¶ And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:

29 And he called his name † Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters:

31 And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

CHAP. VI.

AND it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,

2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they *were* fair; and they [a] took them wives of all which they chose.

3 And the LORD said, [b] My spirit shall not always strive with man, [c] for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became* mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.

5 ¶ And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* [d] every [e] imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil [f] continually.

6 And [g] it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it [h] grieved him [i] in his heart.

7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; † both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

8 But Noah [k] found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

9 ¶ These *are* the generations of Noah: [l] Noah was a just man *and* † perfect in his generations, *and* Noah walked with God.

10 And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

11 The earth also was corrupt [m] before God, and the earth was [n] filled with violence.

12 And God [o] looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

13 And God said unto Noah, [p] The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; [q] and, behold, I will destroy them [r] with the earth.

14 ¶ [s] Make thee an ark of gopher wood; † rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

15 And this *is the fashion* which thou shalt make it *of*: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

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[a] He. 11. 5.
[b] *Lemech.*
[c] 1 Pe. 3. 20.
† i.e. *rest*, or, *comfort*. Gr. *Noe.*
Lu. 3. 36. He. 11. 7. 1 Pe. 3. 20.
[d] Ex. 20. 16. He. 11. 7.
[e] ch. 5. 3, 4, 6. [f] Mat. 24. 38. Lu. 17. 26.
[g] Ps. 33. 13, 14. Pr. 10. 9. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[h] De. 7. 8, 4. [i] Lo. 21. [k] 1 Pe. 3. 20.
† *years seven.* [l] Ps. 78. 39. [m] Le. 10. 10. Eze. 44. 23.
[n] *filled with.* [o] ch. 6. 22.
[p] or, *the whole imagination*: The Hebrew word signifieth not only *the imagination*, but also *the purposes and desires*
[q] De. 29. 19. Pr. 6. 18. Mat. 15. 19.
[r] *every day.*
[s] Nu. 23. 19. 1 Sa. 15. 11, 29. 2 Sa. 24. 16. Mal. 3. 6.
[t] Is. 63. 10. Ep. 4. 30.
[u] ver. 1.
† *from man unto beast.*
[x] Ex. 33. 12. Lu. 1. 30.
[y] Ro. 1. 17.
† or, *upright.*
[z] or, *on the seventh day.*
[a] Lu. 1. 6. Ro. 2. 13. 3. 19.
[b] Eze. 8. 17. 28. 16. Hab. 2. 8, 17.
[c] Ps. 31. 13, 14. 53. 2, 3.
† ch. 6. 2. Pr. 8. 28. Eze. 28. 19. Mat. 1. 20. 1 Th. 5. 3.
‖ or, *floodgates.*
[d] ch. 1. 7. Ps. 78. 23.
[e] Je. 51. 13. Am. 7. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 7.
[f] ver. 4, 17.
[g] ver. 17.
[h] or, *from the earth.*
[i] ver. 1. 7. ch. 6. 18. He. 11. 7. 1 Pe. 3. 20. 2 Pe. 2. 5.
† *nests.*
‡ *wing.*

16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; *with* lower, second, and third *stories* shalt thou make it.

17 [k] And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall die.

18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and [l] thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.

19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female.

20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive.

21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

22 [m] Thus did Noah; [n] according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

CHAP. VII.

AND the LORD said unto Noah, [a] Come thou and all thy house into the ark; *for* [b] thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

2 Of every [c] clean beast thou shalt take to thee by † sevens, the male and his female: [d] and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female.

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I [e] destroy from off the face of the earth.

5 And [f] Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

6 And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

7 ¶ And [g] Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that *are* not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth,

9 There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

10 And it came to pass [h] after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.

11 ¶ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all [i] the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the [k] windows [l] of heaven were opened.

12 And [m] the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 In the selfsame day [n] entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;

14 They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every † sort,

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15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, [a] two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life.

16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, [b] as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.

17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; [c] and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.

18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; [d] and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; [f] and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered.

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

21 And [h] all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in [k] whose nostrils *was* [o] the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died.

23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and [m] Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark.

24 [n] And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

CHAP. VIII.

AND God [r] remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that *was* with him in the ark: [s] and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged.

2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and [t] the rain from heaven was restrained;

3 And the waters returned from off the earth [u] continually: and after the end of the [v] hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.

4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

5 And the waters [†] decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

6 [w] And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened [d] the window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth; to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and [§] pulled her in unto him into the ark.

10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

13 [¶] And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day* of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

14 And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.

15 [¶] And God spake unto Noah, saying,

16 Go forth of the ark, thou, [e] and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.

17 Bring forth with thee [f] every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and [g] be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.

18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their [†] kinds, went forth out of the ark.

20 [x] And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of [i] every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

21 And the LORD smelled [m] a [‡] sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again [p] curse the ground any more for man's sake; [§] for the [q] imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

22 [¶] While the earth remaineth, [s] seed-time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and [u] day and night shall not cease.

CHAP. IX.

AND God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, [a] Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

2 And [b] the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

3 Every [c] moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you [d] all things.

4 But flesh [e] with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; [f] at the hand of every beast will I require it, and [g] at the hand of man; at the hand of every [h] man's brother will I require the life of man.

6 Whoso [i] sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: [k] for in the image of God made he man.

7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.

8 [¶] And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

9 And I, [l] behold, I establish [l] my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

10 [m] And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.

11 And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither

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a ch. 6. 20.
b ver. 2, 3.
c ver. 4, 12.
d Ps. 104. 26.
e ch. 7. 13.
f Ps. 104. 6. Is. 2. 22.
g ch. 7. 15.
h ver. 4. ch. 6. 13. 17. Job 22. 16. Mat. 24. 39. Lu. 17. 27. 2 Pe. 3. 6.
i ch. 1. 22.
k ch. 2. 7.
o *the breath of the spirit of life.*
† *families.*
l Le. 26. 1.
m Exo. 14. 14. 20. Mal. 3. 17, 18.
n Le. 1. 9. Exo. 20. 41. 2 Co. 2. 15. Ep. 5. 2.
‡ *savour of rest.*
o ch. 6. 3, 4, *compared with verse* 11 *of this chapter.*
p ch. 3. 17.
§ *or, though.*
q Job 15. 14. Ps. 51. 5. Je. 17. 9. Mat. 15. 19. Ro. 1. 21. 3. 23.
r ch. 19. 29. Ex. 2. 24. 1 Sa. 1. 19.
s Ex. 14. 21.
¶ *As yet all the days of the earth.*
t Is. 54. 8.
u Je. 33. 20. 25.
v Job 38. 37.
w ch. 1. 24.
† *in going & returning.*
x ch. 7. 24.
y Ho. 2. 18.
† *were in going and decreasing.*
a De. 12. 15. Ac. 10. 12, 13
b Ro. 14. 14. 20. 1 Co. 10. 23, 28 Col. 2. 16. 1 Ti. 4. 3, 4.
c Le. 17. 10, 11. 1 Sa. 14. 34. Ac. 15. 20, 29.
d ch. 6. 16.
e Ex. 21. 28.
† *on going forth and returning.*
f ch. 4. 9, 10. Ps. 9. 12.
g Ac. 17. 26.
h Ex. 21. 12, 14 Le. 24. 17. Mat. 26. 52.
i ch. 1. 27.
k *caused her to come.*
l ch. 6. 18.
m Is. 54. 9.
m Ps. 145. 9.

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shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.

12 And God said, [b] This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations:

13 I do set [c] my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:

15 And [d] I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.

16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember [e] the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

17 And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

18 ¶ And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: [k] and Ham is the father of [l] Canaan.

19 These [l] *are* the three sons of Noah: [m] and of them was the whole earth overspread.

20 And Noah began *to be* [n] an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

21 And he drank of the wine, [o] and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.

22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.

23 And [p] Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

25 And he said, [r] Cursed *be* Canaan; [s] a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.

26 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be [t] his servant.

27 God shall [u] enlarge Japheth, [x] and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.

28 ¶ And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

CHAP. X.

NOW these *are* the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: [y] and unto them were sons born after the flood.

2 The [a] sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

3 And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

4 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and [§] Dodanim.

5 By these were [‡] the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

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[a] 1 Ch. 1. 5, &c.
[b] ch. 17. 11.
[c] Re. 4. 3.
[d] Je. 16. 16. Mi. 7. 2.
[e] ch. 6. 11.
[f] Mi. 5. 6.
[g] Ex. 28. 12. Le. 26. 12, 45. Eze. 16. 60.
[h] Gr. *Babylon*
† or, *he went out into Assyria.*
‡ or, *the streets of the city.*
[k] ch. 17. 13, 19.
[l] 1 Ch. 1. 12.
§ *Tsidon.*
[k] ch. 10. 6.
|| *Canaan.*
[l] ch. 5. 32.
[m] ch. 10. 32. 1 Ch. 1. 4, &c.
[n] ch. 13. 12. 14. 13. 17. 15. 18. 21. Nu. 34. 2. 12 Jos. 12. 7. A.
[o] ch. 3. 19, 23.
[p] Ex. 20. 8.
[r] Pr. 20. 1. 1 Co. 10. 12.
[s] Ex. 20. 12.
[t] Ge. 6. 1.
[u] 1 Ch. 1. 17, &c.
† *Arpachshad*
‡ *Shelah.*
[x] ch. 11. 12.
[y] De. 27. 16.
[a] 1 Ki. 9. 20, 21.
[a] 1 Ch. 1. 19.
§ i. e. *division.*
|| or, *servant to them.*
[a] or, *persuade*
[x] Ep. 2. 13, 14.
[y] ch. 9. 1, 7, 19.
[z] ver. 1.
[a] 1 Ch. 1. 5, &c.
[b] ch. 9. 19.
† *lip.*
‡ *words.*
§ or, as some read it, *Rodanim.*
[c] Ps. 72. 10. Je. 2. 10. 25. 22. Zep. 2. 11.
|| or, *eastward*, as ch. 13. 11. 2 Sa. 6. 2, with 1 Ch. 13. 6.
[d] a man said *in his neighbour.*

6 ¶ [a] And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan.

7 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

8 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

9 He was a mighty [c] hunter [c] before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

10 And [f] the beginning of his kingdom was [g] Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

11 Out of that land [†] went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and Calah,

12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same is a great city.

13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and Caphtorim.

15 ¶ And Canaan begat [§] Sidon his firstborn, and Heth,

16 And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite,

17 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

18 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad.

19 And [n] the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto [o] Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.

20 These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, *and* in their nations.

21 ¶ Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were *children* born.

22 The [r] children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and [†] Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.

23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.

24 And Arphaxad begat [‡] Salah; [r] and Salah begat Eber.

25 And [s] unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* [§] Peleg; for in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan.

26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah,

28 And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan.

30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east.

31 These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

32 These [x] *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: [a] and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

CHAP. XI.

AND the whole earth was of one [†] language, and of one [‡] speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed [§] from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.

3 And [a] they said one to another, Go

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to, let us make brick, and [a] burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter.

4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, [b] whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

5 And [c] the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

6 And the LORD said, Behold, [d] the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have [e] imagined to do.

7 Go to, [f] let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

8 So [g] the LORD scattered them abroad from thence [h] upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

9 Therefore is the name of it called [i] Babel; [k] because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

10 ¶ These [l] *are* the generations of Shem: Shem *was* an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

11 And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, [m] and begat Salah:

13 And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

14 And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber:

15 And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

16 And [n] Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat [i] Peleg:

17 And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:

19 And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.

20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat [i] Serug:

21 And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor:

23 And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat [o] Terah:

25 And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters.

26 And Terah lived seventy years, and [p] begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

27 [q] Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

28 And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.

29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* [r] Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, [s] Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

30 But [t] Sarai was barren; she *had* no child.

31 And Terah [u] took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from [x] Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan: and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

CHAP. XII.

NOW the [a] LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And [b] I will make of thee a great nation, [c] and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; [d] and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And [e] I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: [f] and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and [g] the souls that they had gotten [h] in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.

6 ¶ And Abram [i] passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, [k] unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.

7 And [l] the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, [m] Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an [n] altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, *having* Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.

9 And Abram journeyed, [o] going [p] on still toward the south.

10 ¶ And there was [q] a famine in the land: and Abram [r] went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine *was* [s] grievous in the land.

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon:

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This *is* his wife: and [t] they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.

13 [u] Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

14 ¶ And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians [x] beheld the woman that she *was* very fair.

15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was [y] taken into Pharaoh's house.

16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.

17 And the LORD [z] plagued Pharaoh

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[a] *burn them to a burning.*
[b] ch. 22. 20.
[c] ch. 16. 1, 2. 18. 11, 12.
[d] De. 1. 28.
[e] ch. 12. 1.
[f] ch. 18. 21.
[g] Ne. 9. 7. Ac. 7. 4.
[h] ch. 9. 19. Ac. 17. 26.
[i] Ps. 2. 1.
[k] ch. 13. 7. Ne. 9. 7. Is. 41. 2. Ac. 7. 2. He. 11. 8.
[l] ch. 1. 26. Ps. 3. 4. Ac. 2. 4-6.
[m] ch. 22. 23. De. 28. 49. Je. 5. 15. 1Co. 14. 2, 11.
[n] Lu. 1. 51.
[o] ch. 17. 6. De. 32. 5. 1 Ki. 2. 6.
[p] ch. 10. 25, 32.
[q] ch. 24. 35. [r] ch. 28. 4. Ga. 3. 14.
[s] i. e. *confusion.*
[t] ch. 27. 29. Ex. 23. 22. Nu. 24. 9.
[u] 1 Co. 14. 22.
[x] ch. 18. 18. 22. 18. 26. 4. Ps. 72. 17. Ac. 3. 25. Ga. 3. 8.
[y] 1 Co. 1. 17.
[z] ch. 14. 14.
[a] ch. 11. 31.
[b] Lu. 3. 36.
[c] He. 11. 9.
[d] De. 11. 30. Ju. 7. 1.
[e] ch. 17. 1.
[f] ch. 13. 15. 17. 8. Ps. 105. 9, 11.
[g] ch. 13. 4.
[h] 1 Ch. 1. 19.
[i] Called. Lu. 3. 35. *Phalec.*
[k] *in going and journeying.*
[l] ch. 13. 3.
[m] ch. 26. 1.
[n] Ps. 105. 13.
[o] Lu. 3. 35. *Saruch.*
[p] Jos. 24. 2.
[q] ch. 26. 7.
[r] ch. 20. 11. 26. 7.
[s] Lu. 3. 34. *Thara.*
[t] ch. 20. 5, 13.
[u] Jos. 24. 2.
[x] 1 Ch. 1. 26.
[y] ch. 20. 7. Mat. 5. 28.
[z] ch. 20. 2.
[a] ch. 17. 15. 20. 12.
[b] ch. 20. 18. 1Ch. 16. 21. Ps. 105. 14. He. 13. 5

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and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.

18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, [a] What *is* this *that* thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she *was* thy wife?

19 Why saidst thou, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken *her* to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and go thy way.

20 And [b] Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

CHAP. XIII.

AND Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, [a] into the south.

2 And [b] Abram *was* very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Hai;

4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram [c] called on the name of the LORD.

5 ¶ And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.

6 And [d] the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

7 And there was [e] a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.

8 And Abram said unto Lot, [f] Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we *be* [‡] brethren.

9 *Is* [g] not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: [h] if *thou wilt take* the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *thou depart* to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

10 And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all [i] the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered every where, before the LORD [k] destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, [l] *even* as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto [m] Zoar.

11 Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched *his* tent toward Sodom.

13 But the men of Sodom [n] *were* wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art [o] northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

15 For all the land which thou seest, [p] to thee will I give it, and [q] to thy seed for ever.

16 And [r] I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, *then* shall thy seed also be numbered.

17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

18 Then Abram removed *his* tent, and came and dwelt in the [s] plain of Mamre, [t] which *is* in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

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[a] ch. 20. 9. 26. 10.
[b] Is. 11. 11.
[c] De. 33. 23.
[d] ch. 19. 22.
[e] Pr. 21. 1.
[f] De. 3. 17.
[g] ch. 9. 26.
[h] ch. 12. 9.
[i] Ps. 112. 3. Pr. 10. 22.
[k] or, *the plain of Kiriathaim.*
[l] or, *the plain of Paran.* Nu. 12. 16.
[m] 2 Ch. 20. 2
[n] Ps. 116. 17.
[o] ch. 26. 7.
[p] ch. 28. 20.
[q] ch. 11. 3.
[r] 1 Co. 6. 7.
[‡] *men brethren:* Ex. 2. 3. Ps. 133. 1. Ac. 7. 26.
[s] ch. 34. 10.
[t] Ro. 12. 18. He. 12. 14. Ja. 3. 17.
[u] De. 34. 3. Ps. 107. 34.
[v] ch. 19. 24, 25.
[w] Is. 51. 3.
[x] ch. 13. 8.
[y] ch. 19. 22.
[z] or, *led forth.*
[a] or, *instructed.*
[b] Ec. 2. 7.
[c] De. 34. 1. Ju. 18. 29.
[d] Is. 41. 2, 3.
[e] ch. 18. 20. Eze. 16. 49. 2 Pe. 2. 7, 8.
[f] Ju. 11. 34. 1 Sa. 18. 6.
[g] Ex. 7. 1.
[h] ch. 39. 14.
[i] 2 Sa. 18. 18.
[k] ch. 15. 18. 17. 8. 24. 7. 26. 4. Nu. 34. 12. De. 34. 4. Ac. 7. 5.
[l] 2 Ch. 20. 7. Ps. 37. 22, 29. 119. 2.
[m] ch. 32. 17. 36. 14. 37. 12. Ex. 3. 13. Nu. 23. 10. De. 1. 10. 1 Ki. 4. 20. 1 Ch. 27. 23. Is. 10. 19. Je. 33. 22. Ro. 4. 16, 18. He. 11. 12.
[n] Ps. 110. 4. He. 5. 6.
[o] Mi. 6. 6. Ac. 16. 17. Ru. 3. 10. 2 Sa. 2. 5.
[p] Mat. 11. 25.
[q] ch. 24. 27.
[r] He. 7. 4.
[s] *plains.*
[t] *made.*
[u] ch. 35. 27. 37. 14.

CHAP. XIV.

AND it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of [a] Elam, and Tidal king of nations;

2 *That these* made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of [b] Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is [c] Zoar.

3 All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, [d] which is the salt sea.

4 Twelve years [e] they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that *were* with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in [f] Shaveh Kiriathaim,

6 And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto [g] El-paran, which *is* by the wilderness.

7 And they returned, and came to Enmishpat, which *is* Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt [h] in Hazezon-tamar.

8 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same *is* Zoar;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim;

9 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.

10 And the vale of Siddim *was full of* [i] slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.

11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.

12 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

13 ¶ And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

14 And when Abram heard that [k] his brother was taken captive, he [l] armed his [m] trained *servants*, [n] born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued *them* [o] unto Dan.

15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and [p] smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which *is* on the left hand of Damascus.

16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

17 ¶ And the king of Sodom [q] went out to meet him [r] after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that *were* with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which *is* the [s] king's dale.

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he *was* [t] the priest of [u] the most high God.

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed *be* Abram of the most high God, [w] possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And [x] blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes [y] of all.

21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the [z] persons, and take the goods to thyself.

22 And Abram said to the king of So-

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dom, I [a] have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, [b] the possessor of heaven and earth,

23 That [c] I will not *take* from a thread even *to* a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that *is* thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich:

24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

CHAP. XV.

AFTER these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram [d] in a vision, saying, [e] Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy [f] shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward.

2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, [g] seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus?

3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.

4 And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.

5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the [h] stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, [i] So shall thy seed be.

6 And he [k] believed in the LORD; and he [l] counted it to him for righteousness.

7 And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, [m] to give thee this land to inherit it.

8 And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?

9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.

10 And he took unto him all these, and [n] divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but [o] the birds divided he not.

11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.

12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep [p] fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety [q] that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not their's, and shall serve them; and [r] they shall afflict them four hundred years;

14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, [s] will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

15 And thou shalt [t] go to thy fathers in peace; [u] thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity [v] of the Amorites [w] is not yet full.

17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a [x] burning lamp that passed between those pieces.

18 In the same day the LORD [y] made a covenant with Abram, saying, [z] Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,

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[a] Ex. 6. 8. Da. 12. 7. Re. 10. 5, 6.
[b] ch. 21. 33.
[c] Ex. 9. 15, 16.
[d] Ge. 4. 24.
[e] *be baffled by her.*
[f] ch. 3. 17.
[g] Ac. 10. 10, 11.
[h] La. 1. 13, 20.
[i] Ps. 84. 11.
[k] Ac. 7. 5.
[l] Pr. 30. 23.
[m] Pr. 15. 1.
[n] 1 Pe. 3. 7.
[o] Job 2. 6.
† that which is *good in thine eyes.*
[p] Jo. 33. 22.
‡ *afflicted her.*
[q] Ex. 32. 13. De. 10. 22. 1 Ch. 27. 23. Ro. 4. 18. He. 11. 12.
[r] Ro. 4. 3, 9, 22. Ga. 3. 6. Ja. 2. 23.
[s] Ps. 105. 31.
[t] Ex. 15. 22.
[u] Ps. 105. 42, 44. Ro. 4. 13. Tit. 2. 9. 1 Pe. 2. 18.
[v] ch. 17. 20.
[w] Je. 31. 18, 19.
[x] Le. 1. 17.
§ i. e. *God shall hear.*
[a] ch. 21. 20.
[b] ch. 25. 18.
[c] Ex. 12. 40. Ps. 105. 23. Ac. 7. 6.
[d] Ex. 1. 11. Ps. 105. 25
‖ i. e. *the well of him that liveth and seeth me.*
[e] Ex. 6. 6. De. 6. 22.
[f] Ac. 13. 36.
[g] ch. 25. 8.
[h] 1 Ki. 21. 26.
[i] Mat. 23. 32. 1 Th. 2. 16.
[k] *lamp of fire*
[l] Ex. 6. 3. De. 10. 17.
[m] ch. 24. 7.
† or, *upright*, or, *sincere.* ch. 6. 9. De. 18. 13 Job 1. 1. Mat. 5. 48.
[n] Ex. 23. 31. Nu. 34. 3. De. 1. 7. Jos. 1. 4. 1 Ki. 4. 21. Is. 27. 12.
[o] Ro. 4. 11, 12, 16. Ga. 3. 29.
‡ *multitude of nations.*

21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

CHAP. XVI.

NOW Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name *was* [a] Hagar.

2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may [b] obtain children by her. And Abram [c] hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.

4 [d] And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was [e] despised in her eyes.

5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: [f] the LORD judge between me and thee.

6 But [g] Abram said unto Sarai, [h] Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her † as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai ‡ dealt hardily with her, she fled from her face.

7 [i] And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to [k] Shur.

8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.

9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and [l] submit thyself under her hands.

10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, [m] I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name § Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

12 And [n] he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand against him; [o] and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?

14 Wherefore the well was called ‖ Beerlahai-roi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and Bered.

15 [p] And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram *was* fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

CHAP. XVII.

AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, [q] I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou † perfect.

2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be [r] a father of ‡ many nations.

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5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but [a] thy name shall be [*]Abraham; [b]for a father of many nations have I made thee.

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make [c] nations of thee, and [d] kings shall come out of thee.

7 And I will [f] establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, [g] to be a God unto thee, and to [h] thy seed after thee.

8 And [i] I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land [†] wherein [k] thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

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[u] *Hasten.*
[x] ch. 19. 3.
[y] Ex. 4. 24.
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[z] ch. 18. 10. [a] ch. 24. 67.
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[g] Ga. 4. 28.
[‖] 1 Pe. 3. 6.
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[¶] ch. 12. 3. 22. 18. Ac. 3. 25. Ga. 3. 8.
[r] De. 4. 9, 10. 6. 7. Jos. 24. 15. Ep. 6. 4.

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CHAP. XIX.

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3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

4 [n] But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

5 And [o] they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where *are* the men which came in to thee this night? [p] bring them out unto us, that we [q] may know them.

6 And [r] Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

9 And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* [s] came in to sojourn, [t] and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to break the door.

10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.

11 And they smote the men [u] that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

12 [v] And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, [x] bring *them* out of this place:

13 For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and [y] the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.

14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, [z] which married his daughters, and said [a] Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. [b] But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.

15 [c] And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, [d] Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which [e] are here; lest thou be consumed in the [f] iniquity of the city.

16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; [g] the LORD being merciful unto him: [h] and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

17 [i] And it came to pass, when they had brought them *forth* abroad, that he said, [k] Escape for thy life; [l] look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, [m] not so, my Lord:

19 Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

20 Behold now, this city *is* near to flee unto, and it *is* a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (*is* it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.

21 And he said unto him, See, [n] I have accepted [o] thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.

22 Haste thee, escape thither; for [p] I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore [q] the name of the city was called [r] Zoar.

23 [s] The sun was [t] risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

24 Then [u] the LORD rained upon Sodom

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[b] ch. 4. 1. Ro 1. 24. 27. Jude 7.
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[l] Job 8. 20. Is. 3. 10. 11.
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[n] 2 Ki. 6. 18. Ac. 13. 11.
[o] Eze. 22. 30.
[p] Lu. 18. 1.
[r] ch. 3. 19. Job 4. 19. Ec. 12. 7. 1 Co. 15. 47.
[s] 2 Co. 5. 1.
[t] ch. 7. 1.
[u] 2 Pe. 2. 7, 9.
[x] 1 Ch. 21. 15.
[y] Mat. 1. 18.
[z] Nu. 16. 21. 45.
[a] Ex. 9. 21. Lu. 17. 28. 21. 11.
[b] Nu. 16. 21, 26 Ro. 18. 4.
[c] *are found.* † or, *punishment.*
[d] Ju. 6. 39.
[e] Lu. 18. 13. Ro. 9. 15, 16.
[f] Ps. 34. 22.
[g] Ja. 5. 18.
[h] 1 Ki. 19. 3.
[i] ver. 26. Mat. 21. 16. 18. Lu. 9. 62. Ph. 3. 13, 14.
[k] ch. 18. 22.
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[o] Ja. 2. 25.
[p] Job 22. 8, 9. Ps. 145. 19.
‡ *thy face.*
[q] ch. 32. 25, 26 Ex. 32. 10. De. 9. 14.
[r] Mar. 5. 5.
[s] ch. 13. 10. 14. 2.
§ i. e. *little*, ver. 20.
[t] Is. 3. 9.
‖ *grow forth.*
[u] Ju. 19. 22.
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5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but [a] thy name shall be [b]Abraham; [b]for a father of many nations have I made thee.

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[n] Job 8. 3. 34. 17. Ps. 58. 11. 94. 2. Ro. 3. 6.
[o] 2 Ki. 6. 18. Ac. 13. 11.
[p] Ge. 22. 30.
[q] Lu. 18. 1.
[r] ch. 3. 19. Job 4. 19. Ec. 12. 7. 1 Co. 15. 47. 2 Co. 5. 1.
[s] ch. 7. 1.
[t] 2 Pe. 2. 7, 9.
[u] 1 Ch. 21. 15.
[v] Mat. 1. 18.
[w] Nu. 16. 21, 45.
[x] Ex. 8. 21. Lu. 17. 24. 21. 11.
[y] Nu. 16. 24, 26 Re. 18. 4.
[z] *are found.*
[a] or, *punishment.*
[a] Ju. 6. 39.
[a] Lu. 18. 13. Ro. 9. 15, 16.
[b] Ps. 34. 22.
[c] Ja. 5. 16.
[d] 1 Ki. 19. 3.
[e] ver. 28. Mat. 24. 16. 16. Lu. 9. 62. Ph. 3. 13, 14.
[f] ch. 18. 22.
[g] Ac. 10. 14.
[h] He. 13. 2.
[i] ch. 18. 4.
[k] Lu. 24. 28.
[l] Job 42. 8, 9. Ps. 115. 19.
[*] *thy face.*
[m] ch. 32. 25, 28 Ex. 32. 10. De. 9. 14. Mat. 8. 29.
[n] ch. 13. 10. 14. 2.
[§] 1. e. *little,* ver. 20.
[o] Is. 3. 9.
[||] *gone forth.*
[p] Ja. 5. 12.
[q] De. 29. 23. Is. 13. 19. Je. 20. 16. 50. 40. Ez. 16. 49, 50 Ho. 11. 8. Am. 4. 11. Zep. 2. 9. Lu. 17. 29.

out unto us, that we [h] may know them.

6 And [i] Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and *do* ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

9 And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* [k] came in to sojourn, [l] and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to break the door.

10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.

11 And they smote the men [m] that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

12 ¶ And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, [n] bring *them* out of this place:

13 For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and [o] the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.

14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, [p] which married his daughters, and said [q] Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. [r] But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.

15 ¶ And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, [s] Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which [*] are here; lest thou be consumed in the [†] iniquity of the city.

16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; [u] the LORD being merciful unto him: [x] and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, [y] Escape for thy life; [z] look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, [a] not so, my Lord:

19 Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

20 Behold now, this city *is* near to flee unto, and it *is* a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (*is* it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.

21 And he said unto him, See, [b] I have accepted [*] thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.

22 Haste thee, escape thither; for [c] I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore [d] the name of the city was called [§] Zoar.

23 ¶ The sun was [||] risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

24 Then [¶] the LORD rained upon Sodom

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and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

25 And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and *c* that which grew upon the ground.

26 ¶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became *d* a pillar of salt.

27 ¶ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where *e* he stood before the LORD:

28 And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, *f* the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

29 ¶ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God *g* remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.

30 ¶ And Lot went up out of Zoar, and *h* dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not a man in the earth *i* to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we *k* may preserve seed of our father.

33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: *l* the same *is* the father of the Moabites unto this day.

38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Ben-ammi: *m* the same *is* the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

CHAP. XX.

AND Abraham journeyed from *n* thence toward the south country, and dwelled between *o* Kadesh and Shur, and *p* sojourned in Gerar.

2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, *q* She *is* my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and *r* took Sarah.

3 But *s* God came to Abimelech *t* in a dream by night, and said to him, *u* Behold, thou *art but* a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she *is* *v* a man's wife.

4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, *w* wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?

5 Said he not unto me, She *is* my sister? and she, even she herself said, He *is* my brother: *x* in the *y* integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.

6 And God said unto him in a dream,

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a ch. 31. 7. 35. 5. Ex. 34. 24. 1Sa. 25. 26, 34
b ch. 20. 9. Le. 5. 2. Ps. 51. 4.
c ch. 14. 3. Ps. 107. 34.
d 1 Sa. 7. 5. 2 Ki. 5. 11. Job 42. 8. Je. 3. 12, 13. 1 Joa. 5. 16.
e Pr. 14. 14. Lu. 17. 32. He. 10. 26.
f ch. 2. 17. *g* Nu. 16. 24, 33
h ch. 18. 22. *i* Ke. 18. 9.
j ch. 26. 10. Ex. 32. 21. Jos. 7. 25.
k ch. 6. 1. 19. 33.
l ch. 34. 1. *m* ver. 17, 19.
n ch. 12. 18. Ps. 35. 1. Pr. 16. 6.
o ch. 12. 12. 25. 7
p ch. 11. 29.
q ch. 16. 2, 4. 26. 8, 9. De. 25. 5.
r ch. 12. 1, 9, 11. &c. *t* Mar. 12. 19.
s ch. 12. 13.
v ch. 12. 16.
x ch. 13. 9.
u as is good in thine eyes.
y ver. 5.
z ch. 26. 11.
a ch. 21. 63.
b Lab. 29. 9, 10.
c De. 2. 9.
d ch. 12. 17.
e De. 2. 19.
f 1 Sa. 2. 21.
g ch. 16. 1.
h ch. 17. 19. 18. 10, 14. Ga. 4. 23, 28.
i ch. 16. 7, 11.
j ch. 25. 6.
k Ac. 7. 8. Ga. 4. 22. He. 11. 11.
l ch. 17. 21.
m ch. 12. 13. 26. 7.
n ch. 12. 15.
o Ps. 105. 14.
p Job 33. 15.
q ch. 17. 19.
r ver. 7.
s Ac. 7. 8.
t ch. 17. 10, 12.
t married to an husband.
u ch. 17. 1, 17.
v ver. 18. ch. 18. 22.
w Ps. 105. 14. Is. 54. 1. Ga. 4. 27.
x Lu. 1. 58.
y 2 Ki. 20. 3. 2 Co. 1. 12.
z or, simplicity or, sincerity.
a ch. 18. 11, 12.

Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for *z* I also withheld thee from sinning *a* against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

7 Now therefore restore the man *his* wife; *b* for he *is* a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore *her* not, *c* know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, *d* and all that *are* thine.

8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, *e* that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me *f* that ought not to be done.

10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?

11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely *g* the fear of God *is* not in this place; and *h* they will slay me for my wife's sake.

12 And yet indeed *i* *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

13 And it came to pass, when *k* God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This *is* thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say *l* of me, He *is* my brother.

14 And Abimelech *m* took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

15 And Abimelech said, Behold, *n* my land *is* before thee: dwell *o* where it pleaseth thee.

16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given *p* thy brother a thousand *pieces* of silver: *q* behold, he *is* to thee *r* a covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other*: thus she was reproved.

17 ¶ So Abraham *s* prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare *children*.

18 For the LORD *t* had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

CHAP. XXI.

AND the LORD *u* visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah *v* as he had spoken.

2 For Sarah *w* conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, *x* at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, *y* Isaac.

4 And Abraham *z* circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, *a* as God had commanded him.

5 And Abraham *b* was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

6 ¶ And Sarah said, *c* God hath made me to laugh, *so that* all that hear *d* will laugh with me.

7 And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? *e* for I have born *him* a son in his old age.

8 And the child grew, and was weaned:

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and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned.

9 ¶ And Sarah saw the son of Hagar [g] the Egyptian, [e] which she had born unto Abraham, [e] mocking.

10 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, [f] Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, *even* with Isaac.

11 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight [g] because of his son.

12 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman: in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for [h] in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make [i] a nation, because he *is* thy seed.

14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took [k] bread, and a bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the child, and [l] sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

16 And she went, and sat her down over against *him* a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept.

17 And [m] God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he *is*.

18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for [i] I will make him a great nation.

19 And [n] God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

20 And God [o] was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, [p] and became an archer.

21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother [q] took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

22 ¶ And it came to pass at that time, that [r] Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain *of* his host spake unto Abraham, saying, [s] God *is* with thee in all that thou doest:

23 Now therefore [t] swear unto me here by God [u] that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son: *but* according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.

24 And Abraham said, I will swear.

25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants [f] had violently taken away.

26 And Abimelech said, I wot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell *me*, neither yet heard I *of it*, but to day.

27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them [k] made a covenant.

28 And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

29 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, [l] What *mean* these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?

30 And he said, For *these* seven ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that [e] they may be a witness unto me, that I have digged this well.

31 Wherefore he [d] called that place [e] Beer-sheba; because there they sware both of them.

32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-sheba: then Abimelech rose up, *and* Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.

33 ¶ And *Abraham* planted a [t] grove in Beer-sheba, and [k] called there on the name of the LORD, [f] the everlasting God.

34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

CHAP. XXII.

AND it came to pass after these things that [m] God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, [i] Behold, *here* I *am*.

2 And he said, Take now thy son, [n] thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee [p] into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

3 ¶ And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and [q] laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, [i] Here *am* I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the [||] lamb for a burnt offering?

8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and [q] laid him on the altar upon the wood.

10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I.

12 And he said, [d] Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: *for* [e] now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son* from me.

13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: [f] and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place [†] Jehovah-jireh: as it is said *to* this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

15 ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

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[a] ch. 21. 8, 10.
[b] ch. 16. 1.
[c] ch. 16. 15.
[d] ch. 26. 33.
[e] Ga. 4. 29.
[f] i. e. *The well of the oath.*
[g] ch. 25. 6. 36. 6, 7. Ga. 4. 30.
[h] ch. 17. 18.
[i] or, *tree.*
[k] ch. 4. 26.
[l] De. 33. 27. Is. 40. 28. Ro. 16. 26. 1 Ti. 1. 17.
[m] Ro. 9. 7, 8. He. 11. 18.
[n] ver. 16. ch. 16. 10. 17. 20.
[o] 1 Co. 10. 13. He. 11. 17. Ja. 1. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 7.
[p] *Behold me.*
[q] He. 11. 17.
[r] Jno. 8. 35.
[s] 2 Ch. 3. 1.
[t] Ex. 3. 7. 2 Ki. 13. 4, 23. Ps. 50. 15. 65. 2. Mat. 15. 32.
[u] Jno. 19. 17.
[v] ver. 13.
[w] Nu. 22. 31. 2 Ki. 6. 17, 18, 20. Lu. 24. 16, 31.
[x] *Behold me.*
[y] ch. 28. 15. 39. 2, 3, 21.
[z] ch. 16. 12.
[||] or, *kid.*
[a] ch. 21. 4. Ju. 14. 2. 1 Co. 7. 38.
[b] ch. 20. 2. 26. 26.
[c] He. 11. 17. Ja. 2. 21.
[d] Jos. 2. 12. 1 Sa. 24. 21.
[e] *if thou shalt be unto me.*
[f] Mi. 6. 7, 8.
[g] ch. 26. 5. 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ps. 25. 12. 147. 11. Mal. 4. 2. Ja. 2. 23.
[h] ch. 26. 15, 18, 20. 22.
[i] 1 Co. 10. 13. 2 Co. 1. 9, 10.
[k] ch. 26. 31.
[†] i. e *The LORD will see*, or, *provide.*
[l] ch. 23. 6.

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16 And said, [a] By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*:

17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed [b] as the stars of the heaven, [c] and as the sand which *is* upon the sea [d] shore; and [e] thy seed shall possess [f] the gate of his enemies;

18 And [g] in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; [h] because thou hast obeyed my voice.

19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to [i] Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

20 ¶ And it came to pass after these things that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold, [m] Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor;

21 [n] Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father [o] of Aram,

22 And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.

23 And [p] Bethuel begat † Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name *was* Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: *these were* the years of the life of Sarah.

2 And Sarah died in [a] Kirjath-arba; the same is [b] Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

3 ¶ And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying,

4 I [c] *am* a stranger and a sojourner with you: [d] give me a possession of a buryingplace with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

5 And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,

6 Hear us, my lord: thou *art* [§] a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.

7 And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the children of Heth.

8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

9 That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which *is* in the end of his field; for [‖] as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a buryingplace amongst you.

10 And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the [*] audience of the children of Heth, *even* of all that [†] went in at the gate of his city, saying,

11 [m] Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that *is* therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.

12 And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

13 And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou *will give it*, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.

14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

15 My lord, hearken unto me: the land *is worth* four hundred [k] shekels of silver; what *is* that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.

16 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham [‡] weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current *money* with the merchant.

17 ¶ And [l] the field of Ephron, which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the field, and the cave which *was* therein, and all the trees that *were* in the field, that *were* in all the borders round about, were made sure

18 Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

19 And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan.

20 And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, [r] were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND Abraham [s] was old, *and* [t] well stricken in age: and the LORD [u] had blessed Abraham in all things.

2 And Abraham said [v] unto his eldest servant of his house, that [w] ruled over all that he had, [x] Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:

3 And I will make thee [y] swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that [z] thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:

4 [a] But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.

5 And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?

6 And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.

7 ¶ The LORD God of heaven, which [b] took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, [c] Unto thy seed will I give this land; [d] he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.

8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then [e] thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again.

9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.

10 ¶ And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; † for all the goods of his master *were* in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto [*] the city of Nahor.

11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, *even* the time ‡ that [*] women go out to draw *water*.

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a Ps. 105. 9. Lu. 1. 73. Ma. 6. 13, 14.
b Ex. 30. 15. Ezr. 2. 69. Ne. 7. 70. Ac. 4. 34. 5. 1, 2.
c ch. 15. 5. Je. 33. 22.
d ch. 13. 16.
e *Isa.*
f ch. 24. 60.
g Mi. 1. 9.
h Je. 32. 9.
i ch. 12. 3. 18. 18. 26. 4. Ac. 3. 25. Ga. 3. 8, 9, 16, 18.
k ver. 3. 16. ch. 26. 5.
l ch. 25. 9. 49. 30. 32. Ac. 7. 16.
m ch. 21. 31.
n ch. 11. 29.
o Job 1. 1.
p Job 32. 2.
q ch. 21. 15.
† Called.
r Ru. 4. 7. 10. Je. 32. 10, 11.
s ch. 21. 5.
‡ *gone into days.*
t ch. 18. 2. Ps. 112. 3. Pr. 10. 22.
u Jos. 14. 15.
v Ju. 1. 10.
w ch. 15. 2.
x ver. 19. ch. 13. 18.
y ch. 39. 1..6.
z ch. 47. 29. 1 Ch. 29. 24. La. 5. 6.
a ch. 11. 22. De. 6. 13. Jos. 2. 12.
b ch. 26. 25. 28. 2. Ex. 31. 16. De. 7. 3.
c ch. 17. 8. 1 Ch. 29. 15. Ps. 105. 12. He. 11. 9, 13
d Ac. 7. 5.
e ch. 28. 2.
§ *a prince of God.*
f ch. 13. 2. 14. 14. 24. 35.
g ch. 12. 1, 7.
h ch. 13. 15. 17. 8. Ex. 32. 13. De. 1. 8. 34. 4.
i Ex. 23. 20, 23. He. 1. 14.
‖ *full money.*
k Jos. 2. 17, 20.
l *ears.*
m ch. 31. 20, 24. Ru. 4. 4.
n 2 Sa. 24. 21, 24.
† or, *and.*
‡ *that are-morn which draw water go forth.*
o Ex. 2. 16. 1 Sa. 9. 11.

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12 And he said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, [b] send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.

13 Behold, [c] I stand *here* by the well of water; and [d] the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: *let the same be that* thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and [h] thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of [i] Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 And the damsel [k] was [l] very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.

18 And [m] she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw *water* for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.

20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.

21 And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether [n] the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.

22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden [o] earring [p] of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of gold;

23 And said, Whose daughter *art* thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room *in* thy father's house for us to lodge in?

24 And she said unto him, [q] I *am* the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor.

25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.

26 And the man [r] bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.

27 And he said, [s] Blessed *be* the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of [t] his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.

28 And the damsel ran, and told *them of* her mother's house these things.

29 ¶ And Rebekah had a brother, and his name *was* [u] Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the well.

30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

31 And he said, Come in, [v] thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.

32 ¶ And the man came into the house: and he [w] ungirded his camels, and [x] gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to [y] wash his feet, and the men's feet that were with him.

33 And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, [z] I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on.

34 And he said, I *am* Abraham's servant.

35 And the LORD [a] hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.

36 And Sarah my master's wife [b] bare a son to my master when she was old: and [c] unto him hath he given all that he hath.

37 And my master [d] made me sware, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:

38 But [e] thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.

39 And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.

40 And he said unto me, The LORD, [f] before whom I walk, will [g] send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

41 Then [h] shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath.

42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, [i] O LORD God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:

43 Behold, [k] I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw *water*, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;

44 And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: *let* the same *be* the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for [l] my master's son.

45 And [m] before I had done [n] speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water*: and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.

46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter *art* thou? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I [o] put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

48 And [p] I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led me in [q] the right way to take [r] my master's brother's daughter unto his son.

49 And now if ye will [s] deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.

50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, [t] The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot [u] speak unto thee bad or good.

51 Behold, Rebekah [v] *is* before thee, take *her*, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.

52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he [w] wor-

[a] Lu. 7. 44.
1 Ti. 5. 10.
[b] Nu. 1. 11.
Ps. 37. 5.
[c] Job 29. 12.
Pr. 22. 29.
Ec. 9. 10.
Jno. 4. 34.
Ep. 6. 5, 7.
[d] ver. 43.
[e] Ex. 2. 16.
[f] ver. 1.
ch. 13. 2.
Pr. 22. 4.
[g] ch. 21. 2.
[h] 2 Ki. 20. 9.
[i] ch. 21. 10.
25. 5.
[k] ver. 2. 9.
Ear. 9. 1...3.
[l] ch. 11. 29.
22. 23.
[m] ch. 12. 1.
[n] ch. 29. 7.
[o] *good of countenance.*
[p] ch. 17. 1.
Ps. 16. 8.
[q] Ps. 3. 1.
91. 11.
Da. 3. 28.
He. 1. 14.
[r] 1 Pe. 3 8.
[s] 1 Pe. 4. 9.
[t] Nu. 20. 7.
[u] ver. 12, 27.
ch. 25. 21.
28. 13.
32. 9.
Ex. 3. 6, 15.
[v] ver. 13.
[w] ver. 12, 56.
† or, *jewel for the forehead.*
[x] Ex. 32. 2, 3.
Is. 3. 19...21.
Eze. 16. 11,
12.
1 Pe. 3. 3.
[y] Pr. 19. 14.
[z] ver. 15, &c.
Is. 65. 24.
[a] 1 Sa. 1. 13.
Ne. 2. 4.
[b] ch. 22. 23.
[c] Ex. 4. 21.
[d] Ex. 16. 10.
Nu. 1. 19.
1 Sa. 25. 32, 39
2 Sa. 18. 28.
Lu. 1. 68.
[e] ch. 28. 10.
Ps. 98. 3.
[f] ver. 48.
[g] Exo. 16. 11,
12.
[h] ver. 26.
[i] ch. 29. 5.
[k] Pr. 3. 6.
Is. 48. 17.
[l] ch. 23. 23.
[m] ch. 27. 20.
Jos. 2. 14.
[n] Ps. 116. 23.
Mat. 21. 22.
Mar. 11. 11.
[o] ch. 26. 29.
Ju. 17. 2.
Ru. 2. 10.
Ps. 115. 15.
[p] ch. 31. 24.
[q] ch. 20. 15.
[r] ch. 43. 24.
Ja. 1. 21.
[s] ver. 23.
Ps. 99. 6.

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shipped the LORD, *bowing himself* to the earth.

53 And the servant brought forth [o] jewels [p] of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother [q] precious things.

54 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that *were* with him, and tarried all night: and they rose up in the morning, and he said, [r] Send me away unto my master.

55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us [t] *a few* days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.

58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and [u] her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou *art* our sister, be thou [w] *the mother* of thousands of millions, and [x] let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.

61 ¶ And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

62 And Isaac came from the way of the [y] well Lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.

63 And Isaac went out [§] to [z] meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels *were* coming.

64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, [a] she lighted off the camel.

65 For she *had* said unto the servant, What man *is* this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant *had* said, It *is* my master: therefore she took a vail, [b] and covered herself.

66 And the servant told Isaac all things that [c] he had done.

67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac [d] was comforted after his mother's *death*.

CHAP. XXV.

THEN again Abraham took a wife, and her name *was* Keturah.

2 And [e] she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.

3 And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Ashshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

4 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these *were* the children of Keturah.

5 ¶ And [f] Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and [g] sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto [h] the east country.

7 And these *are* the days of the years of

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[o] *vessels.*
[p] Ex. 3. 22. 11. 2. 12. 35.
[q] ch. 15. 14. 49. 25.
[r] ch. 35. 29.
[s] 2 Ch. 21. 3. Ezr. 1. 6.
[t] ch. 30. 13.
[u] ver. 59. 59.
[w] ch. 23. 16.
[x] ch. 49. 31.
[†] or, *a full year*, or, *ten months.* Ju. 14. 8.
[y] ch. 16. 14. 24. 62.
[z] ch. 16. 15.
[a] 1 Ch. 1. 29.
[b] ch. 35. 8.
[‡] or, *Hadad.*
[c] ch. 17. 16.
[d] ch. 23. 17.
[e] ch. 17. 20.
[f] ch. 16. 14. 25. 11.
[g] 1 Sa. 15. 7.
[§] or, *to pray.*
[z] Jos. 1. 8. Ps. 1. 2. 77. 12. 119. 15. 143. 5.
[‖] *fell*, Ps. 78. 64.
[a] ch. 16. 12.
[b] Mat. 1. 2.
[c] Jos. 15. 16.
[d] ch. 23. 23.
[e] ch. 24. 29.
[a] 1 Ch. 5. 20. 2 Ch. 33. 13. Ezr. 8. 23.
[b] 1 Co. 11. 5, 6, 10. 1 Ti. 2. 9.
[c] Ro. 9. 10.
[d] Mar. 6. 30.
[e] 1 Sa. 9. 9. 10. 22.
[f] ch. 38. 12.
[g] ch. 17. 16. 24. 60.
[h] 2 Sa. 8. 14.
[i] ch. 27. 29. Mal. 1. 3. Ro. 9. 12.
[k] 1 Ch. 1. 32.
[l] ch. 27. 11, 16, 23.
[m] Ho. 12. 3.
[n] ch. 27. 36.
[o] ch. 24. 36.
[p] ch. 27. 3, 5.
[q] Job 1. 1. 8. 2. 3. Ps. 37. 37. He. 11. 9.
[r] ch. 21. 14.
[s] *venison was in his mouth.*
[t] Ju. 6. 3.
[u] ch. 27. 19, 25, 31.
[w] ch. 27. 6.

Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and [b] died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of years*; and [c] was gathered to his people.

9 And [d] his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which *is* before Mamre:

10 The [e] field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: [A] there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

11 ¶ And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the [f] well Lahai-roi.

12 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, [g] whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:

13 And [h] these *are* the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

15 : Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:

16 These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their castles; [i] twelve princes according to their nations.

17 And these *are* the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.

18 And [k] they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: *and* he [l] died [m] in the presence of all his brethren.

19 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: [n] Abraham begat Isaac:

20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, [o] the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan-aram, [p] the sister to Laban the Syrian.

21 And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she *was* barren: [q] and the LORD was intreated of him, and [r] Rebekah his wife conceived.

22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If *it be* so, why *am* I thus? [s] And she went to enquire of the LORD.

23 And the LORD said unto her, [t] Two nations *are* in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and [A] *the one* people shall be stronger than *the other* people; and [t] the elder shall serve the younger.

24 ¶ And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, *there were* twins in her womb.

25 And the first came out red, [l] all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.

26 And after that came his brother out, and [m] his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and [n] his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.

27 And the boys grew: and Esau was [o] a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was [p] a plain man, [q] dwelling in tents.

28 And Isaac loved Esau, because [s] he did [r] eat of *his* venison: [s] but Rebekah loved Jacob.

29 ¶ And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau

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came from the field, and he was faint:
30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, [e] with that same red *pottage*; for I *am* faint: therefore was his name called [†] Edom.
31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.
32 And Esau said, Behold, I *am* [‡] at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?
33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and [f] he sold his birthright unto Jacob.
34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and [d] he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised *his* birthright.

CHAP. XXVI.

AND there was a famine in the land, beside [g] the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto [h] Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.
2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in [i] the land which I shall tell thee of:
3 Sojourn [k] in this land, and [l] I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, [m] I will give all these countries, and I will perform [n] the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;
4 And [o] I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; [p] and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;
5 Because [q] that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.
6 ¶ And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:
7 And the men of the place asked *him* of his wife; and [r] he said, She *is* my sister: for [s] he feared to say, *She is* my wife; lest, *said he*, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she [t] was fair to look upon.
8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac *was* sporting with Rebekah his wife.
9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she *is* thy wife: and how saidst thou, She *is* my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.
10 And Abimelech said, What *is* this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and [u] thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.
11 And Abimelech charged all *his* people, saying, He that [v] toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.
12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and [w] received in the same year [x] an hundredfold: and the LORD [y] blessed him:
13 And the man [z] waxed great, and [a] went forward, and grew until he became very great:
14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of [§] servants: and the Philistines [b] envied him.
15 For all the wells [c] which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.
16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for [d] thou art much mightier than we.
17 ¶ And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.
18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and [e] he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.
19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of [§] springing water.
20 And the herdmen of Gerar [f] did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water *is* our's: and he called the name of the well [‖] Esek; because they strove with him.
21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it [g] Sitnah.
22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it [†] Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall [h] be fruitful in the land.
23 And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba.
24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, [i] I *am* the God of Abraham thy father: [k] fear not, for [l] I *am* with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.
25 And he [m] builded an altar there, and [n] called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.
26 ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, [o] and Phichol the chief captain of his army.
27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing [p] ye hate me, and have [q] sent me away from you?
28 And they said, [r] We saw certainly that the LORD [s] was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee:
29 § That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: [t] thou *art* now the blessed of the LORD.
30 And [u] he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.
31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and [v] sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.
32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water.
33 And he called it [w] Shebah: [x] therefore the name of the city is [y] Beer-sheba unto this day.
34 ¶ And [z] Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
35 Which [a] were [§] a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

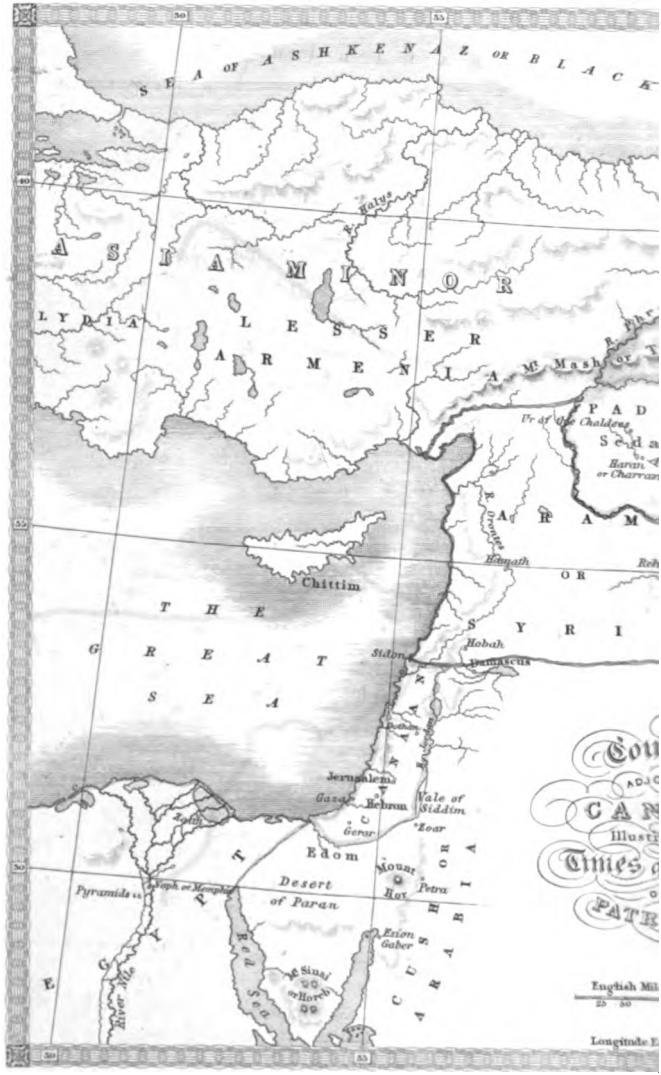
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AND it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and [b] his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest

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[e] Ex. 1. 9.
[†] *i. e. red.*
[‡] *going to die.*
[f] ch. 21. 31.
[g] He. 13. 16.
[§] *living.*
[d] Ec. 8. 15. Is. 22. 13. 1 Co. 15. 32.
[h] ch. 21. 25.
[‖] *i. e. contention.*
[i] ch. 12. 10.
[k] *i. e. hatred.*
[l] ch. 20. 2.
[m] *i. e. room.*
[n] ch. 12. 1.
[o] Ps. 39. 12. He. 11. 9.
[p] ch. 28. 15.
[q] ch. 17. 6. 21. 22. Ex. 1. 7.
[r] ch. 13. 15. 15. 18.
[s] ch. 22. 16. Ps. 105. 9.
[t] ch. 17. 7. 24. 12. 26. 13. Ex. 3. 6. Ac. 7. 32.
[u] ch. 15. 1.
[v] ver. 3, 4.
[w] ch. 15. 5.
[x] ch. 12. 3.
[y] ch. 12. 7. 13. 16.
[z] Ps. 116. 17.
[a] ch. 22. 16, 18.
[b] ch. 21. 22.
[c] ch. 12. 13. 20. 2, 13.
[d] Pr. 29. 25.
[e] Ju. 11. 7.
[f] ver. 16.
[g] *Seeing we saw.*
[h] ch. 24. 16.
[i] ch. 21. 22, 23.
[k] *If thou shalt, &c.*
[l] ch. 24. 31. Ps. 115. 15.
[m] ch. 19. 2.
[n] ch. 21. 31.
[o] ch. 20. 9.
[p] Ps. 105. 15.
[q] *i. e. an oath*
[r] ch. 21. 31.
[s] *found.*
[t] Mat. 13. 6. Mar. 4. 6.
[u] *i. e. the well of the oath.*
[v] ch. 24. 1, 35. Job 42. 12.
[w] ch. 21. 25. Ps. 119. 3. Pr. 10. 22.
[x] ch. 36. 2.
[y] *went going*
[z] or, *husbandry.*
[a] ch. 27. 46. 28. 1, 8.
[b] *bitterness of spirit.*
[c] ch. 27. 11. Ec. 4. 4.
[d] ch. 21. 30.
[e] ch. 49. 10. 1 Sa. 3. 2.

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5 Because [b] that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.
6 ¶ And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:
7 And the men of the place asked *him* of his wife; and [‡] he said, She *is* my sister: for [c] he feared to say, *She is* my wife; lest, *said he*, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she [§] *was* fair to look upon.
8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac *was* sporting with Rebekah his wife.
9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she *is* thy wife: and how saidst thou, She *is* my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.
10 And Abimelech said, What *is* this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and [d] thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.
11 And Abimelech charged all *his* people, saying, He that [e] toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.
12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and [f] received in the same year [g] an hundredfold: and the LORD [h] blessed him:
13 And the man [i] waxed great, and [k] went forward, and grew until he became very great:
14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of [l] servants: and the Philistines [m] envied him.
15 For all the wells [n] which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.
16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for [o] thou art much mightier than we.
17 ¶ And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.
18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and [p] he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.
19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of [§] springing water.
20 And the herdmen of Gerar [q] did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water *is* our's: and he called the name of the well [‖] Esek; because they strove with him.
21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it [*] Sitnah.
22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it [†] Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall [t] be fruitful in the land.
23 And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba.
24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, [u] I *am* the God of Abraham thy father: [v] fear not, for [w] I *am* with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.
25 And he [x] builded an altar there, and [y] called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.
26 ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, [z] and Phichol the chief captain of his army.
27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing [a] ye hate me, and have [b] sent me away from you?
28 And they said, [‡] We saw certainly that the LORD [c] was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;
29 ¶ That thou will do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: [d] thou *art* now the blessed of the LORD.
30 And [e] he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.
31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and [f] sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.
32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water.
33 And he called it [‖] Shebah: [g] therefore the name of the city is [†] Beer-sheba unto this day.
34 ¶ And [h] Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
35 Which [i] were [k] a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

CHAP. XXVII.

AND it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and [l] his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest

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[a] Ex. 1. 9.
[o] *with that red*, with that red pottage.
[†] i. e. *red.*
[‡] *going to die.*
[b] ch. 21. 31.
[c] He. 12. 16.
[§] *living.*
[d] Ec. 6. 15. Is. 22. 13. 1 Co. 15. 32.
[e] ch. 21. 25.
[‖] i. e. *contention.*
[f] ch. 12. 10.
[g] i. e. *hatred.*
[h] ch. 20. 2.
[i] i. e. *room.*
[k] ch. 12. 1. Ps. 39. 12. Ho. 11. 9.
[l] ch. 25. 15.
[m] ch. 17. 6. 41. 52. Ex. 1. 7.
[n] ch. 13. 15. 15. 18.
[o] ch. 22. 16. Ps. 105. 9.
[p] ch. 17. 7. 24. 12. 26. 13. Ex. 3. 6. Ac. 7. 32.
[p] ch. 15. 1.
[q] ver. 3. 4.
[r] ch. 15. 5.
[s] ch. 12. 3.
[t] ch. 12. 7. 13. 18.
[u] Ps. 105. 17.
[v] ch. 22. 16, 18.
[w] ch. 21. 22.
[x] ch. 12. 13. 20. 2. 13.
[y] Pr. 29. 25.
[z] Ju. 11. 7.
[a] ver. 16.
[b] *Seeing we saw.*
[c] ch. 24. 16.
[d] ch. 21. 22, 23.
[§] *If thou shalt, &c.*
[e] ch. 24. 31. Ps. 115. 15.
[f] ch. 19. 2.
[g] ch. 21. 31.
[h] ch. 20. 9.
[i] Ps. 105. 15.
[‖] i. e. *an oath*
[k] ch. 21. 31.
[*] *found.*
[l] Mat. 13. 6. Mar. 4. 6.
[†] i. e. *the well of the oath.*
[m] ch. 34. 4, 35. Job 42. 12.
[n] ch. 21. 25. Ps. 112. 3. Pr. 10. 22.
[o] ch. 36. 2.
[‡] *went going*
[§] or, *husbandry.*
[p] ch. 27. 46. 28. 1, 8.
[‖] *bitterness of spirit.*
[q] ch. 37. 11. Ec. 4. 4.
[r] ch. 21. 30.
[s] ch. 48. 10. 1 Sa. 3. 2.

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son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, *here am* I.

2 And he said, Behold now, I am old, I [b] know not the day of my death:

3 Now [c] therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and [d] take me *some* venison;

4 And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul [e] may bless thee before I die.

5 And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it*.

6 [f] And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

7 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.

8 Now therefore, my son, [g] obey my voice according to that which I command thee.

9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them [h] savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth:

10 And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he [i] may bless thee before his death.

11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, [k] Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I *am* a smooth man:

12 My father peradventure will [l] feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring [m] a curse upon me, and not a blessing.

13 And his mother said unto him, [n] Upon me *be* thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me *them*.

14 And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother [o] made savoury meat, such as his father loved.

15 And Rebekah took [p] goodly [q] raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

17 And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

18 [r] And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I; who *art* thou, my son?

19 And Jacob said unto his father, I *am* Esau thy firstborn; [s] I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, [t] that thy soul may bless me.

20 And Isaac said unto his son, How *is it* that thou hast found *it so* quickly, my son? And he said, [u] Because the LORD thy God brought *it* [v] to me.

21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I [w] may feel thee, my son, whether thou *be* my very son Esau or not.

22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice *is* Jacob's voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.

23 And he discerned him not, because [x] his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

24 And he said, *Art* thou my very son Esau? And he said, [y] I *am*.

25 And he said, Bring *it* near to me,

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[a] ver. 4.
[b] Ps. 27. 1. Ja. 4. 14.
[c] ch. 25. 27, 28
[d] *hunt.*
[e] Ca. 4. 11. Ho. 14. 6. ver. 27. ch. 48. 9, 15. 49. 28. De. 33. 1.
[f] He. 6. 7.
[g] He. 11. 20.
[h] De. 33. 13. 2 Sa. 1. 21.
[i] ch. 45. 18.
[k] De. 33. 28.
[l] ch. 27. 23.
[m] ch. 49. 8.
[n] ch. 12. 3. Nu. 21. 9. Ga. 3. 8.
[o] ver. 23.
[p] ver. 4.
[q] ch. 48. 15, 16.
[r] ver. 4.
[s] ch. 25. 25.
[t] ver. 22.
† *trembled with great trembling greatly.*
[u] ch. 9. 25. De. 27. 18.
‡ *hunted.*
[x] ch. 43. 9. 1 Sa. 25. 24. 2 Sa. 14. 9. Mat. 27. 25.
[y] ch. 28. 3, 4. Ru. 11. 29.
[z] Pr. 1. 31.
[a] ver. 9. ch. 25. 28. Pr. 23. 3. La. 21. 34.
§ *destitute.*
[b] ver. 27.
[c] ch. 25. 26.
‖ i. e. *a supplanter.*
[d] ch. 25. 33.
[e] Fulfilled. 2 Sa. 8. 14.
[f] ver. 28.
[g] 1 Ki. 13. 18. 14. 2. Is. 29. 15. Zec. 13. 4.
[h] or, *supported.*
[i] ver. 4.
[k] Is. 65. 14. He 12. 17.
[l] Ex. 20. 7. Job 13. 7.
† *before me.*
[m] ver. 38. He. 11. 20.
‡ *or, of the fatness.*
[n] ver. 12.
[o] ch. 25. 23. Ob. 18. 20. 2 Sa. 8. 14.
[p] 2 Ki 8. 20.
[q] ch. 27. 4, 6.
[r] ver. 18.
[s] ch. 38. 3, 4, 10
[t] Ep. 4. 26, 27. Tit. 3. 3.
[u] 2 Sa. 14. 5. Pr. 12. 19, 22. Ep. 4. 25.

and I will eat of my son's venison, [a] that my soul may bless thee. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank.

26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, [b] the smell of my son *is* as the smell of a field which [c] the LORD hath blessed:

28 Therefore [d] God give thee of [e] the dew of heaven, and [f] the fatness of the earth, and [g] plenty of corn and wine:

29 [h] Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and [i] let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: [k] cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed *be* he that blesseth thee.

30 [l] And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and [m] eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.

32 And Isaac his father said unto him, Who *art* thou? And he said, I *am* thy son, thy firstborn Esau.

33 And Isaac [n] trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that hath [o] taken venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, [p] *and* he shall be blessed.

34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, [q] he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.

35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing.

36 And he said, [r] Is not he rightly named [s] Jacob? *for* he hath supplanted me these two times: [t] he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?

37 And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, [u] Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and [v] with corn and wine have I [w] sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?

38 And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, [x] and wept.

39 And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, [y] thy dwelling shall be ‡ the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;

40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and [z] shalt serve thy brother; and [a] it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.

41 [b] And Esau [c] hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, [d] The days of mourning for my father are at hand; [e] then will I slay my brother Jacob.

42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent

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and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth [b] comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.

43 *Now* therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother / to Haran;

44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away;

45 Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?

46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, [k] I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: / if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND Isaac called Jacob, and [p] blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, [a] Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

2 Arise, [a] go to [b] Padan-aram, to the house of [y] Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of [b] Laban thy mother's brother.

3 [c] And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be † a multitude of people;

4 And give thee / the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land / wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.

5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

6 ¶ When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;

7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;

8 And Esau seeing [d] that the daughters of Canaan * pleased not Isaac his father;

9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had / Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, [e] the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

10 ¶ And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward / Haran.

11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

12 And he [m] dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold * the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

13 ¶ And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, / I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: / the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt § spread abroad * to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and [n] in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

15 And, behold, / I *am* with thee, and will [d] keep thee in all *places* whither thou goest, and will * bring thee again into this land; for [k] I will not leave thee, [l] until I have done *that* which I have spoken to thee of.

16 ¶ And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in [e] this place; and I knew *it* not.

17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his pillows, and [n] set it up *for* a pillar, [h] and poured oil upon the top of it.

19 And he called the name of * that place * Beth-el: but the name of that city *was called* Luz at the first.

20 / And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If / God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me * bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

21 So that / I come again to my father's house in peace; * then shall the LORD be my God:

22 And this stone, which I have set *for* a pillar, / shall be God's house: * and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

CHAP. XXIX.

THEN Jacob § went on his journey, / and came into the land of the ‖ people of the east.

2 And he looked, and behold a well in the field, and, lo, there *were* three flocks of sheep lying by it; for out of that well they watered the flocks: and a great stone *was* upon the well's mouth.

3 And thither were all the flocks gathered: and they rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.

4 And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, whence *be* ye? And they said, Of Haran *are* we.

5 And he said unto them, Know ye Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know *him*.

6 And he said unto them, † *Is* he well? And they said, *He is* well: and, behold, Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep.

7 And he said, Lo, † *it is* yet high day, neither *is it* time that the cattle should be gathered together: water ye the sheep, and *go and* feed *them*.

8 And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and *till* they roll the stone from the well's mouth; then we water the sheep.

9 ¶ And while he yet spake with them, [n] Rachel came with her father's sheep: for she kept *them*.

10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and * rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

11 And Jacob [o] kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

12 And Jacob told Rachel that he *was*

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[a] ch. 18. 19.
[b] Ps. 84. 5.
[c] ch. 31. 3.
[d] Ps. 121. 5, 7, 8.
[e] ch. 35. 6.
[f] ch. 11. 31.
[g] Jos. 1. 5. 1 Ki. 8. 57. He. 13. 5.
[h] Nu. 32. 19.
[i] Jos. 5. 15.
[k] ch. 26. 35. 28. 8.
[l] ch. 24. 3.
[m] ch. 31. 13, 45.
[n] Le. 8. 10. 12.
[o] Ju. 1. 23. Ho. 4. 15.
* *Luz.* *house of God.*
[p] ch. 27. 33.
[y] Ju. 11. 30. 2 Sa. 15. 8.
[a] ch. 24. 3.
[b] ver. 15. Ho. 12. 12.
[c] ch. 25. 20. / 1 Ti. 6. 5.
[d] ch. 22. 23.
[e] 2 Sa. 19. 24. 30.
* De. 26. 17. 2 Ki. 5. 17.
[b] ch. 24. 29.
[c] ch. 17. 1, 6.
[d] ch. 39. 7, 14.
[e] Le. 27. 30.
† *an assembly of people.*
[f] ch. 12. 2.
‡ *of thy sojournings.*
§ *lift up his feet.*
[g] Nu. 23. 7. Ho. 12. 12.
‖ *children.*
[h] ch. 28. 35.
* *were evil in the eyes, &c.*
† *Is there peace to him?*
[i] ch. 43. 27.
[k] ch. 36. 3. *Bashemath*
[l] ch. 25. 12.
‡ *yet the day is great.*
[m] Called, Ac. 7. 2. *Charran.*
[n] Job 33. 15.
[o] Ex. 2. 16.
[p] Jno. 1. 51. He. 1. 14.
[q] ch. 4. 3.
[r] ch. 26. 24.
[s] Ex. 2. 17.
[t] ch. 13. 14.
[u] ch. 28. 4. 45. 14, 15.
§ *break forth.*
[v] De. 12. 20. Lu. 13. 29.

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' her father's brother, and that he *was* Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father.

13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the ‡ tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.

14 And Laban said to him, ^a Surely thou *art* my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him § the space of a month.

15 ¶ And Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou *art* my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what *shall* thy wages *be*?

16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder *was* Leah, and the name of the younger *was* Rachel.

17 Leah *was* tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.

18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, ^m I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter.

19 And Laban said, *It is* better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.

20 And Jacob ° served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him *but* a few days, for the love he had to her.

21 ¶ And Jacob said unto Laban, Give *me* my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may ^p go in unto her.

22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and ^r made a feast.

23 And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her.

24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah ^t Zilpah his maid *for* an handmaid.

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it *was* Leah: and he said to Laban, What *is* this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?

26 And Laban said, It must not be so done in our † country, to give the younger before the firstborn.

27 Fulfil ° her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years.

28 And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he ^u loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him ^x yet seven other years.

31 ¶ And when the LORD ^y saw that Leah *was* hated, he ^z opened her womb: but Rachel was barren.

32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name ‡ Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath ^a looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.

33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD hath heard that I *was* hated, he hath therefore given me this *son* also: and she called his name ‖ Simeon.

34 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons: therefore was his name called † Levi.

35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and said, Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name ^b ° Judah; and † left bearing.

CHAP. XXX.

AND when Rachel saw that ^c she bare Jacob no children, Rachel ^d envied her sister; and said unto Jacob, Give me children, ^f or else I die.

2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, ^g *Am* I in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?

3 And she said, Behold ^h my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; ^i and she shall bear upon my knees, ^k that I may also ‖ have children by her.

4 And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid ^l to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.

5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.

6 And Rachel said, God hath ^m judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me a son: therefore called she his name ° Dan.

7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.

8 And Rachel said, With † great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed: and she called his name ‡ Naphtali.

9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and ° gave her Jacob to wife.

10 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son.

11 And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name § Gad.

12 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.

13 And Leah said, ‖ Happy am I, for the daughters ^u will call me blessed: and she called his name ° Asher.

14 ^r And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, ^s Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes.

15 And she said unto her, ^t *Is it* a small matter that thou hast taken my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also? And Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with thee to night for thy son's mandrakes.

16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with her that night.

17 And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.

18 And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name § Issachar.

19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

20 And Leah said, God hath endued me *with* a good dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name ° Zebulun.

21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name ‡ Dinah.

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^a ch. 13. 8. 14. 14, 16.
^b Mat. 1. 2.
° i. e. *praise.* ch. 49. 8.
† *stood from bearing.*
‡ *bearing.*
^c ch. 29. 31.
^d ch. 37. 11.
^e ch. 2. 23. Ju. 9. 2. 2 Sa. 5. 1. 19. 12, 13.
^f Job 5. 2.
§ *a month of days.*
^g ch. 16. 2. 1 Sa. 1. 5.
^h ch. 16. 2.
ⁱ ch. 50. 23. Job 3. 12.
^k ch. 16. 2.
‖ *be built by her.*
^l ch. 16. 3. 25. 22.
^m ch. 31. 41. 2 Sa. 3. 14.
ⁿ Ps. 35. 24. 43. 1. La. 3. 59.
° ch. 30. 26. Ho. 12. 12.
° i. e. *judging.*
† *wrestlings of God* ch. 32. 6.
^p Ju. 15. 1.
‡ i. e. *my wrestling.*
^q Called, Mat. 4. 13, *Nephthalim.*
^r Ju. 14. 10. Jno. 2. 1, 2. ver. 4.
^s ch. 30. 9. 46. 18.
§ i. e. *a troop,* or, *company.* Is. 65. 11.
‖ *In my happiness.*
^u Pr. 31. 28. Lu. 1. 48.
° i. e. *happy.* † *place.*
^u Ju. 14. 12. ch. 25. 30.
^x Nu. 16. 9, 13.
^y ver. 22. De. 21. 15.
^z ch. 20. 18. 21. 41.
^a Ps. 127. 3.
° ch. 30. 1.
‡ i. e. *see a son.*
^d Ex. 3. 7. 4. 31. De. 26. 7. Ps. 25. 18. 106. 44.
§ i. e. *an hire.*
‖ i. e. *bearing.*
° i. e. *dwelling.*
° Called, Mat. 4. 13, *Zabulon.*
† i. e. *joined.* Nu. 18. 2, 4.
‡ i. e. *judgment.*

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22 ¶ And God [a] remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and [b] opened her womb.

23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away [c] my reproach:

24 And she called his name [d] Joseph; and said, [e] The LORD shall add to me another son.

25 ¶ And it came to pass, when Rachel had born Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, [f] Send me away, that I may go unto [g] mine own place, and to my country.

26 Give *me* my wives and my children, [h] for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee.

27 And Laban said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, *tarry*: *for* [i] I have learned by experience that the LORD hath blessed me [j] for thy sake.

28 And he said, [k] Appoint me thy wages, and I will give *it*.

29 And he said unto him, [l] Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me.

30 For *it was* little which thou hadst before I came, and it is *now* [m] increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee [n] since my coming: and now when shall I [o] provide for mine own house also?

31 And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shalt not give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed *and* keep thy flock.

32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and [p] *of such* shall be my hire.

33 So shall my [q] righteousness [r] answer for me [s] in time to come, when it shall come for my hire before thy face: every one that *is* not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen with me.

34 And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according *to* thy word.

35 And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, *and* every one that had *some* white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave *them* into the hand of his sons.

36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

37 ¶ And [t] Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chestnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which *was* in the rods.

38 And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink, that they should conceive when they came to drink.

39 And the flocks conceived before the rods, and [u] brought forth cattle ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.

40 And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.

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[a] ch. 8. 1. 1 Sa. 1. 19.
[b] ch. 29. 31.
[c] 1 Sa. 1. 6. Is. 4. 1. Lu. 1. 25.
[d] i. e. *adding*.
[e] ch. 35. 17.
[f] ver. 30.
[g] ch. 13. 2. 24. 35. 26. 13. 14. Ec. 2. 7. Eze. 30. 10.
[h] ch. 34. 54.
[i] ch. 18. 33. 31. 55.
[j] ch. 39. 30. 30.
[k] Job 31. 31. Ps. 57. 4. Pr. 14. 30. Tit. 3. 3.
[l] Ps. 49. 16.
[m] ch. 4. 5.
[n] ch. 30. 3. 5.
[o] De. 25. 54.
[p] ch. 26. 24.
† *as yesterday and the day before.*
[q] 1 Sa. 12. 7.
[r] ch. 29. 15.
[s] ch. 28. 15. 30. 21. 33. 9.
[t] ch. 31. 6. 38. 40. Mat. 24. 45. Tit. 2. 10.
[u] ver. 2.
‡ *broken forth.*
[v] ver. 3.
§ *at my foot.*
[w] ver. 38. 41. ch. 30. 29.
[x] 2 Co. 12. 14. 1 Ti. 5. 8.
[y] ver. 41.
[z] Nu. 14. 22. No. 4. 12. Job 19. 3. Zec. 8. 23.
[a] ch. 30. 6. Ps. 105. 14.
[b] ch. 30. 32.
[c] ver. 1. 16.
[d] ch. 31. 8.
[e] ch. 31. 37. 1 Sa. 26. 23. 2 Sa. 22. 21. Ps. 37. 6.
[f] Is. 59. 12.
‖ *to morrow.* Ex. 13. 14.
[g] or, *he goats.*
[h] ch. 46. 14.
[i] Ex. 3. 7.
[k] ch. 28. 18.. 20.
[l] ch. 28. 9.
[m] ch. 31. 9..12.
[n] ch. 2. 24.
[o] ch. 29. 15, 27.
[p] Ex. 12. 35. 36.
† *teraphim.* Ju. 17. 5. 1 Sa. 19. 13. Ho. 3. 4.
[q] ch. 35. 2.

41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the cattle in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

43 And the man [x] increased exceedingly, and had [y] much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.

CHAP. XXXI.

AND he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, [z] Jacob hath taken away all that *was* our father's; and of *that* which *was* our father's hath he gotten all this [a] glory.

2 And Jacob beheld [b] the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it *was* not [c] toward him † as before.

3 And the LORD said unto Jacob, [d] Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee.

4 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock,

5 And said unto them, [e] I see your father's countenance, that it *is* not toward me as before; but the God of my father hath [f] been with me.

6 And [g] ye know that with all my power I have served your father.

7 And your father hath deceived me, and [h] changed my wages [i] ten times; but God [k] suffered him not to hurt me.

8 If he said thus, [l] The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.

9 Thus God hath [m] taken away the cattle of your father, and given *them* to me.

10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the [n] rams which leaped upon the cattle *were* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled.

11 And [o] the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, *saying*, Jacob: And I said, Here *am* I.

12 And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle *are* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for [p] I have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.

13 I *am* the God of Beth-el, [q] where thou anointedst the pillar, *and* where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now [r] arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.

14 And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, [s] *Is there* yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house?

15 Are we not counted of him strangers? for [t] he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured also our money.

16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that *is* our's, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.

17 ¶ Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;

18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Padan-aram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan.

19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the † images [u] that *were* her father's.

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20 And Jacob stole away [o] unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled.

21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set [b] his face *toward* the mount Gilead.

22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.

23 And he took [d] his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gilead.

24 And God came [g] to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, Take heed that thou [i] speak not to Jacob † either good or bad.

25 ¶ Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.

26 And Laban said to Jacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares to me, and [m] carried away my daughters, as captives *taken* with the sword?

27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and [l] steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?

28 And hast not suffered me [r] to kiss my sons and my daughters? [s] thou hast now done foolishly in *so* doing.

29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the [t] God of your father spake unto me [u] yesternight, saying, "Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

30 And now, *though* thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy father's house, *yet* wherefore hast thou [y] stolen my gods?

31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.

32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, [a] let him not live: before our brethren discern thou what *is* thine with me, and take *it* to thee. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.

33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent.

34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban † searched all the tent, but found *them* not.

35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I cannot [c] rise up before thee; for the custom of women *is* upon me. And he searched, but found not the images.

36 ¶ And Jacob was wroth, [f] and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What *is* my trespass? what *is* my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?

37 Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set *it* here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge [l] betwixt us both.

38 This twenty years *have* I *been* with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39 That [q] which was torn *of beasts* I

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[o] *the heart of Laban.*
[a] Ex. 22. 12.
[b] 2 Ki. 12. 17. Lu. 9. 51, 53.
[c] ch. 25. 23, 25.
[d] ch. 13. 8.
[e] ver. 7.
[f] Ps. 124. 1, 2.
[g] ch. 20. 3. Job 33. 15. Mat. 1. 20.
[h] ver. 53. Is. 8. 13.
[i] ch. 24. 50.
[k] ch. 29. 22. Ex. 3. 7.
[l] 1 Ch. 12. 17. Jude 9.
† *from good to bad.*
[m] 1 Sa. 30. 2.
[n] ch. 26. 28.
‡ *hast stolen me.*
[o] Jos. 22. 27. 24. 27.
[p] ch. 29. 18.
[r] ver. 55. Ru. 1. 9, 14. 1 Ki. 19. 20. Ac. 20. 37.
[s] 1 Sa. 13. 13. 2 Ch. 16. 9.
[t] ver. 53. ch. 28. 13.
§ Chald. *the heap of witness.*
[u] ver. 24.
[y] Ac. 5. 38, 39.
‖ Heb. *the heap of witness.*
[x] Jos. 24. 27.
[a] Le. *aberon* or *watchtower.* Ju. 11. 29. 1 Sa. 7. 5.
[y] ver. 19. Ju. 18. 24.
[z] Je. 42. 5.
[a] ch. 44. 9.
[b] ch. 16. 5. Jos. 24. 2.
[c] ch. 21. 23.
[d] ver. 42.
† *fell.*
‡ or, *killed beasts.*
[e] Ex. 20. 12. Le. 19. 32.
[f] Ep. 4. 26.
[g] ch. 28. 1.
[h] ch. 18. 33. 20. 29. Nu. 24. 25.
[i] Ps. 91. 11. He. 1. 14.
[j] Jos. 5. 14. Ps. 103. 21. 148. 2. Lu. 2. 13.
§ i. e. *two hosts*, or, *camps.*
[k] Jos. 21. 38.
[l] 1 Co. 6. 5.
[m] Lu. 14. 31. 32.
[n] ch. 33. 14, 16.
[o] ch. 36. 6, 8. De. 2. 5. Jos. 24. 4.
‖ *field.*
[p] Pr. 15. 1.
[q] Ex. 22. 10, &c.

brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of [e] my hand didst thou require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40 *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I [c] served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and [f] thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except [g] the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and [h] the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God [k] hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and [l] rebuked *thee* yesternight.

43 ¶ And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, *These* daughters *are* my daughters, and *these* children *are* my children, and *these* cattle *are* my cattle, and all that thou seest *is* mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

44 Now therefore come thou, [n] let us make a covenant, I and thou; [o] and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

45 And Jacob [p] took a stone, and set it up *for* a pillar.

46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

47 And Laban called it § Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it ‖ Galeed.

48 And Laban said, [r] This heap *is* a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed;

49 And [s] Mizpah; for he said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.

50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take *other* wives beside my daughters, no man *is* with us; see, God *is* [t] witness betwixt me and thee.

51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold *this* pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee;

52 This heap *be* witness, and *this* pillar *be* witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, [b] judge betwixt us. And Jacob [c] sware by [d] the fear of his father Isaac.

54 Then Jacob † offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and [g] blessed them: and Laban departed, and [h] returned unto his place.

CHAP. XXXII.

AND Jacob went on his way, and [i] the angels of God met him.

2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, This *is* God's ‡ host: and he called the name of that place § Mahanaim.[k]

3 And Jacob sent [m] messengers before him to Esau his brother [n] unto the land of Seir, [o] the ‖ country of Edom.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus [p] shall ye speak unto my lord Esau; Thy servant Jacob saith thus, I have

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sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now:

5 And [b] I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that [d] I may find grace in thy sight.

6 ¶ And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, and also he cometh [f] to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.

7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and [h] distressed: [i] and he divided the people that *was* with him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels, into two bands;

8 And said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.

9 ¶ And [k] Jacob said, [l] O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the LORD [m] which saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee:

10 I *am* not worthy of the least of all the [n] mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and [p] now I am become two bands.

11 Deliver [r] me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, *and* [s] the mother § with the children.

12 And [t] thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

13 ¶ And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to his hand [u] a present for Esau his brother;

14 Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,

15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.

16 And he delivered *them* into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and [x] put a space betwixt drove and drove.

17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose *art* thou? and whither goest thou? and whose *are* these before thee?

18 Then thou shalt say, *They be* thy servant Jacob's; it *is* a present sent unto my lord Esau; and, behold, also he *is* behind us.

19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him.

20 And say ye moreover, Behold, thy servant Jacob *is* behind us. For he said, I will [b] appease him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept [c] of me.

21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.

22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, [f] and passed over the ford Jabbok.

23 And he took them, and ‖ sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

24 ¶ And Jacob was left alone; and there [g] wrestled a man with him until the [o] breaking of the day.

25 And when he saw that he prevailed

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[a] Mat. 26. 41. 2 Co. 12. 7.
[b] ch. 30. 43. Job 1. 3. 42. 12.
[c] Lu. 24. 26.
[d] ch. 33. 8, 15. Ru. 2. 2. 1 Sa. 1. 18. 2 Sa. 16. 4.
[e] Ho. 12. 4.
[f] ch. 33. 1. Am. 5. 19.
[g] 2 Ki. 17. 34.
[o] i.e. *a prince of God.*
[h] ch. 35. 3. Ps. 107. 6.
[i] Ps. 119. 5. Pr. 2. 10, 11. Is. 28. 26. Ro. 16. 19. Ep. 5. 15.
[j] Ju. 13. 18.
[k] Ps. 50. 15. 91. 15.
[l] ch. 28. 13.
† i.e. *the face of God.*
[m] Ex. 24. 11. De. 5. 24. Ju. 6. 22. 13. 22. Is. 6. 5.
[n] ch. 31. 3, 13.
‡ *I am less than all, &c.*
[p] Da. 9. 9.
[q] Job 8. 7. Ps. 18. 36.
[r] Ps. 59. 1, 2.
[s] Ho. 10. 14.
§ *upon.*
[t] ch. 28. 13. 15.
[u] Pr. 18. 16.
[x] ch. 32. 28.
[y] ch. 45. 14, 15.
‖ *to thee.*
[z] Mat. 10. 16.
[a] Ps. 127. 3. Is. 8. 18.
* *What is all this band to thee?*
† *be that to thee that is thine.*
[b] Pr. 21. 14.
[c] 2 Sa. 3. 13. 14. 24, 28, 32. Mat. 18. 10.
‡ *my face.* Job 42. 8, 9.
[d] Ju. 1. 15. 1 Sa. 25. 27, 30. 26. 2 Ki. 5. 15.
§ *all things.* Phi. 4. 18.
[e] 2 Ki. 5. 23.
[f] De. 3. 16.
‖ *caused to pass.*
[g] Ho. 12. 3. Mat. 11. 12.
* *ascending of the morning.*

not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the [o] hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

26 And [z] he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, [a] I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

27 And he said unto him, What *is* thy name? And he said, Jacob.

28 And he said, [b] Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but * Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

29 And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, [c] Wherefore *is it that* thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

30 And Jacob called the name of the place † Peniel: for [d] I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

31 And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.

32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not *of* the sinew which shrank, which *is* upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

CHAP. XXXIII.

AND Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.

2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.

3 And he passed over before them, and [e] bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

4 And [f] Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, [g] and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who *are* those ‖ with thee? And he said, The children [a] which God hath graciously given thy servant.

6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.

7 And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 And he said, * What *meanest* thou by all this drove which I met? And he said, *These are* to find grace in the sight of my lord.

9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; † keep that thou hast unto thyself.

10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I [e] have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.

11 Take, I pray thee, [d] my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have § enough. * And he urged him, and he took *it*.

12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee.

13 And he said unto him, My lord knoweth that the children *are* tender, and the flocks and herds with young *are* with me: and if men should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die.

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11 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly, [a] according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto [b] Seir.

15 And Esau said, Let me now [†] leave with thee *some* of the folk that *are* with me. And he said, [‡] What needeth it? [§] let me find grace in the sight of my lord.

16 ¶ So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

17 And Jacob journeyed to [c] Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called [§] Succoth.

18 ¶ And Jacob came to [d] Shalem a city of [‡] Shechem, which *is* in the land of Canaan, when he came from Padan-aram; and pitched his tent before the city.

19 And [e] he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of [‖] Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred [†] pieces of money.

20 And he erected there an altar, and called it [‡] El-elohe-Israel.

CHAP. XXXIV.

AND [a] Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, [b] saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and [§] defiled her.

3 And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake [‖] kindly unto the damsel.

4 And Shechem [m] spake unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this damsel to wife.

5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob [n] held his peace until they were come.

6 ¶ And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.

7 And the sons of Jacob came out of the field when they heard *it:* and the men were grieved, and they [o] were very wroth, because he [p] had wrought folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; [q] which thing ought not to be done.

8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

9 And make ye marriages with us, *and* give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.

10 And ye shall dwell with us: and [r] the land shall be before you; dwell and [s] trade ye therein, and [t] get you possessions therein.

11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.

12 Ask me never so much [u] dowry and gift, and I will give according as ye shall say unto me: but give me the damsel to wife.

13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father [x] deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:

14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is [m] uncircumcised; for that were a reproach unto us:

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[a] *according to the foot of the work, &c. and according to the foot of the children*
[b] ch. 32. 3.
[†] *or, or place*
[‡] *wherefore is this?*
[c] Ru. 2. 13.
[d] Jos. 13. 27. Ps. 60. 6.
[e] Ca. 8. 6. Is. 62. 4.
[§] 2 Ki. 5. 1. 1 Ch. 4. 9.
[‖] i. e. *booths.*
[f] Jno. 3. 23.
Called, Ac. 7. 16, *Sychem.*
[‡] De. 17. 5 Ru. 4. 1. Job 29. 7. Am. 5. 10, 12, 15. Zec. 8. 16.
[†] Jno. 4. 5.
[a] Called, Ac. 7. 16, *Emmor.*
[†] or, *lambs.*
[‡] i. e. *God the God of Israel.*
[b] ch. 30. 21. 46. 15.
[§] Pr. 1. 12, 13.
[‖] Ju. 14. 1.
[§] *humbled her.*
De. 22. 29.
[m] ch. 38. 10.
[n] *to the heart of the damsel.* Is. 40. 2. Ho. 2. 14.
[m] Ju. 14. 2.
[n] ch. 49. 5, 7.
[o] 1 Sa. 10. 27. *mouth.*
[p] De. 32. 42.
[q] 2 Sa. 13. 21.
[r] Jos. 7. 15. Ju. 20. 6.
[s] De. 23. 17. 2 Sa. 13. 12.
[t] Jos. 7. 25.
[u] Ex. 5. 21. 1 Sa. 13. 4.
[x] ch. 13. 9. 20. 15.
[y] De. 4. 37. Ps. 105. 12.
[z] ch. 42. 34.
[a] ch. 47. 27.
[b] Ex. 22. 16, 17. De. 22. 29. 1 Sa. 18. 25.
[c] ch. 38. 19.
[d] Ps. 47. 4.
[e] ch. 28. 13.
[f] ch. 27. 43.
[g] 2 Sa. 13. 24, &c. Pr. 26. 25.
[h] ch. 18. 19. Jos. 24. 15.
[i] ch. 31. 19, 34. Jos. 24. 15, 23. 1 Sa. 7. 3. Ps. 101. 2, 7.
[k] Ex. 19. 10.
[m] Jos. 5. 9. 1 Sa. 14. 6. 17. 26, 36. Ro. 4. 11.

15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we *be*, that every male of you be circumcised;

16 Then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone.

18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.

19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because [d] he had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he *was* [e] more honourable than all the house of his father.

20 ¶ And Hamor and Shechem his son came [§] unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying,

21 These men *are* peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for the land, behold, *it is* large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters.

22 Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they *are* circumcised.

23 *Shall* not their cattle and their substance and every beast of their's [f] be our's? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.

24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that [g] went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

25 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, [a] Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the [o] edge of the sword, [p] and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city, and that which *was* in the field,

29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that *was* in the house.

30 And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, [a] Ye have troubled me [r] to make me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: [s] and I *being* few in number, they shall gather themselves together against me, and slay me; and I shall be destroyed, I and my house.

31 And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?

CHAP. XXXV.

AND God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to [a] Beth-el, and dwell there: [b] and make there an altar unto God, [f] that appeared unto thee [g] when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.

2 Then Jacob said unto his [t] houshold, and to all that *were* with him, Put away [k] the strange gods that *are* among you, and [l] be clean, and change your garments:

3 And let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God,

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[a] who answered me in the day of my distress, [b] and was with me in the way which I went.

4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which *were* in their hand, and *all their* [c] earrings which *were* in their ears; and Jacob hid them under [d] the oak which *was* by Shechem.

5 And they journeyed: and the [e] terror of God was upon the cities that *were* round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.

6 ¶ So Jacob came to [f] Luz, which is in the land of Canaan, that *is*, Beth-el, he and all the people that *were* with him.

7 And he [g] built there an altar, and called the place [h] El-beth-el: because [i] there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called † Allon-bachuth.

9 ¶ And [k] God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, Thy name *is* Jacob: [l] thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, [m] but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.

11 And God said unto him, [n] I *am* God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; [o] a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins;

12 And the land [p] which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.

13 And God [q] went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

14 And Jacob set up [r] a pillar in the place where he talked with him, *even* a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, [s] Beth-el.

16 ¶ And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but ‖ a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; [t] thou shalt have this son also.

18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (*for* she died) that she called his name † Ben-oni: but his father called him ‡ Benjamin.

19 And [u] Rachel died, and was buried in the way to [x] Ephrath, which *is* Beth-lehem.

20 And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that *is* the pillar of Rachel's grave [y] unto this day.

21 ¶ And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the [z] tower of Edar.

22 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay [a] with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard *it*. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

23 The sons of Leah; [b] Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

24 The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:

25 And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:

26 And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid; Gad, and Asher: these *are* the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padan-aram.

27 ¶ And Jacob came unto Isaac his father unto [c] Mamre, unto the [d] city of Arbah, which *is* Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.

28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

29 And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and [e] was gathered unto his people, *being* old and full of days: and [f] his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

CHAP. XXXVI.

NOW these *are* the generations of Esau, [g] who is Edom.

2 Esau [h] took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and [i] Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;

3 And [k] Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.

4 And [l] Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel;

5 And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these *are* the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.

6 And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the [m] persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land of Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob.

7 For [n] their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and [o] the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle.

8 Thus dwelt Esau in [p] mount Seir: [q] Esau is Edom.

9 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Esau the father of [r] the Edomites in mount Seir:

10 These *are* the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz [s] the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.

11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, [t] Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: [u] these *were* the sons of Adah Esau's wife.

13 And these *are* the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

14 ¶ And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

15 ¶ These *were* dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn *son* of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,

16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, *and* duke Amalek: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these *were* the sons of Adah.

17 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Reuel in the land of Edom; these *are* the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

18 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were the

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[a] ch. 32. 7, 21. Ps. 107. 6.
[b] ch. 28. 20. 31. 3, 42.
[c] ch. 23. 8, 19.
[d] Jos. 14. 15.
[e] Ho. 2. 13.
[f] Jos. 24. 26. Ju. 9. 6.
[g] Jos. 5. 1. 2 Ch. 14. 14.
[h] ch. 15. 15.
[i] ch. 25. 9.
[k] ch. 28. 19, 22.
[l] Ex. 5. 4.
[m] ch. 25. 30.
[n] i. e. *The God of Bethel.*
[o] ch. 28. 13.
[p] ch. 26. 34
[q] ver. 25.
[r] ch. 28. 9.
† i. e. *the oak of weeping.*
[s] Ho. 12. 4.
[t] 1 Ch. 1. 35.
[u] ch. 17. 5.
[v] ch. 22. 23.
[x] Ex. 6. 3.
‡ *souls.*
[y] ch. 48. 4
[z] ch. 12. 7.
[a] ch. 13. 6, 11.
[b] ch. 17. 8. 28. 4.
[c] ch. 17. 22.
[d] De. 2. 5. Ju. 21. 4.
[e] ch. 28. 18.
[f] ver. 1.
§ *Edom.*
[g] ch. 28. 19.
[h] 1 Ch. 1. 35. &c.
‖ *a little piece of ground.*
[i] Ex. 5. 19
[k] *or, Zephi.* 1 Ch. 1. 36.
[l] ch. 30. 24. 1 Sa. 4. 20.
[m] Ex. 17. 8, 14. Nu. 24. 20. 1 Sa. 15. 2, 3, &c.
† i.e. *the son of my sorrow.*
‡ i.e. *the son of the right hand.*
[n] ch. 48. 7.
[o] Ru. 1. 2. Mi. 5. 2. Mat. 2. 6.
[p] 1 Sa. 10. 2. 2 Sa. 18. 18.
[q] Mi. 4. 8.
[r] ch. 49. 4. 1 Ch. 5. 1. 2 Sa. 16. 22. 20. 3.
[s] 1 Co. 5. 1.
[t] ch. 46. 8. Ex. 1. 2.

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dukes *that came* of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

19 These *are* the sons of Esau, who *is* Edom, and these *are* their dukes.

20 ¶ These [a] *are* the sons of Seir [b] the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and † Hemam; and Lotan's sister *was* Timna.

23 And the children of Shobal *were* these; ‡ Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, § Shepho, and Onam.

24 And these *are* the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this *was that* Anah that found [c] the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.

25 And the children of Anah *were* these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.

26 And these *are* the children of Dishon; ‖ Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

27 The children of Ezer *are* these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and [a] Akan.

28 The children of Dishan are these; Uz, and Aran.

29 These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah,

30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

31 ¶ And [b] these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.

33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.

35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.

36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth *by* the river reigned in his stead.

38 And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

39 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and [d] Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Pau; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

40 And these *are* the names of [e] the dukes *that came* of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke ‡ Alvah, duke Jetheth,

41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

43 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these *be* the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he *is* Esau the father of ‖ the Edomites.

CHAP. XXXVII.

AND Jacob dwelt in the land [a] wherein his [b] father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan.

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[a] 1 Ch. 1. 38.
[b] ch. 14. 6. De. 2. 12, 22.
[c] 1 Sa. 2. 22. 24. Jno. 7. 7. 1 Co. 1. 11. 11. 18.
[d] ch. 44. 20.
[e] or, *pieces.* Ju. 5. 20. 2 Sa. 13. 18. Ps. 45. 13, 14. Eze. 16. 16.
† or, *Homam.* 1 Ch. 1. 39.
‡ ch. 27. 41. 49. 23. 1 Sa. 17. 28. Ps. 38. 19. 69. 4. Jno. 7. 3, 5. Tit. 3. 3. 1 Jno. 2. 11. 3. 10, 12.
§ or, *Shephi.* 1 Ch. 1. 40.
‖ or, *Shephi.* 1 Ch. 1. 40.
[a] Le. 19. 19.
[b] ch. 42. 6, 9. 43. 26. 44. 14.
‖ or, *Amram.* 1 Ch. 1. 41.
[a] Ex. 2. 14. 1 Sa. 10. 27. Ps. 2. 3, 6. Lu. 19. 14. Ac. 7. 25.
[c] or, *Jahan.* 1 Ch. 1. 42.
[d] ch. 46. 20.
[e] 1 Ch. 1. 43.
[f] ch. 27. 29.
[g] Ac. 7. 9.
[h] Da. 7. 28. Lu. 2. 19, 51.
† *see the peace of thy brethren, &c.* ch. 29. 6.
[a] ch. 35. 27.
[b] 1 Ch. 1. 50. *Hadad Pai.* After his death was an aristocracy. Ex. 15. 15.
[c] Ca. 1. 7.
[d] 1 Ch. 1. 51.
‡ or, *Aliah.*
[e] 2 Ki. 6. 13.
[f] 1 Sa. 19. 1. Mat. 27. 1. Jno. 11. 53. Ac. 23. 12.
§ *master of dreams.*
[a] Pr. 1. 11, 16. 27. 4.
‖ *Edom.*
[a] ch. 42. 22.
[b] *of his father's sojournings.*
[c] ch. 17. 8. 23. 4. 28. 4. 36. 7. He. 11. 9.

2 These *are* the generations of Jacob. Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father [a] their evil report.

3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* [b] the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many [c] colours.

4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they [d] hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.

5 ¶ And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.

6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:

7 For, [e] behold, we *were* binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed [a] reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

9 ¶ And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, [f] the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and [g] thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

11 And [h] his brethren envied him; but his father [i] observed the saying.

12 [j] And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.

13 And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed *the flock* in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I*.

14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, † see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of [a] Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

15 ¶ And a certain man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?

16 And he said, I seek my brethren: [b] tell me, I pray thee, where they feed *their flocks*.

17 And the man said, They are departed hence: for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in [c] Dothan.

18 And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they [d] conspired against him to slay him.

19 And they said one to another, Behold, this § dreamer cometh.

20 Come [e] now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.

21 And [f] Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill him.

22 And Reuben said unto them, Shed

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no blood, *but* cast him into this pit that *is* in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.

23 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, *his* coat of *many* [a] colours that *was* on him;

24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit *was* empty, *there* was no water in it.

25 And [b] they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of [c] Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and *f* balm and myrrh, going to carry *it* down to Egypt.

26 And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and [d] conceal his blood?

27 Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmeelites, and [e] let not our hand be upon him; for he *is* [f] our brother *and* [m] our flesh. And his brethren [g] were content.

28 Then there passed by [o] Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, [p] and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for [r] twenty *pieces* of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

29 ¶ And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph *was* not in the pit; and he [s] rent his clothes.

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child [u] *is* not; and I, whither shall I go?

31 And they took [v] Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

32 And they sent the coat *of many* colours, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it *be* thy son's coat or no.

33 And he knew it, and said, *It is* my son's coat; an [y] evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.

34 And Jacob [a] rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

35 And all his sons and all his daughters [c] rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I [d] will go down into the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.

36 And [e] the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an [†] officer of Pharaoh's, *and* [‡] captain of the guard.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

AND it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and [f] turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name *was* Hirah.

2 And Judah [g] saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name *was* [h] Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name [i] Er.

4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.

5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name [m] Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

6 And Judah [n] took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name *was* Tamar.

7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; [r] and the LORD slew him.

B. C. 1729.

[a] De. 25. 5. Mat. 22. 24.
[b] De. 25. 6.
[c] *or, pieces.*
[†] *was evil in the eyes of the LORD.*
[e] Pr. 30. 20. Am. 6. 6.
[d] Ru. 1. 13.
[e] ver. 26, 36.
[f] Je. 8. 22.
[g] Le. 22. 13.
[‡] *the days were multiplied.*
[h] Job 16. 18.
[i] 2 Sa. 13. 39.
[k] 1 Sa. 18. 17.
[l] ch. 43. 21.
[m] ch. 29. 14.
[§] *hearkened.*
[n] Jos. 15. 10, 57. Ju. 14. 1.
[o] Ju. 6. 3.
[p] Ac. 7. 9.
[r] Mat. 27. 9.
[s] Pr. 7. 12.
[||] *the door of eyes. or, of Enaim.*
[t] Joh 1. 20.
[u] Je. 31. 15.
[v] ver. 23.
[w] Eze. 16. 33.
[o] *a kid of the goats.*
[x] ver. 20.
[y] ch. 44. 28.
[z] ver. 25.
[a] 2 Sa. 3. 31.
[b] ver. 14.
[c] 2 Sa. 12. 17.
[d] ch. 42. 38.
[e] ch. 39. 1.
[†] *eunuch:* but the word doth signify not only *eunuchs*, but also *chamberlains, courtiers, and officers.* Ex. 1. 10.
[‡] *or, chief marshal.* Heb. *chief of the slaughtermen,* or, *executioners.*
[§] *or, in Enaim.*
[f] 2 Ki. 4. 8.
[g] ch. 34. 2.
[h] *become a contempt.*
[i] 1 Ch. 2. 3.
[k] ch. 46. 12.
[l] Ju. 19. 2.
[m] 1 Ch. 2. 3.
[n] Ju. 19. 2.
[o] ch. 37. 32.
[p] ver. 18.
[r] 1 Ch. 2. 3.
[s] ch. 37. 33.
[t] 1 Sa. 24. 17.

8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto [o] thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.

9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be [p] his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled *it* on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

10 And the thing which he did [†] displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

11 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, [q] Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren *did*. And Tamar went and dwelt [s] in her father's house.

12 ¶ And *i* in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah [t] was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold thy father in law goeth up [u] to Timnath to shear his sheep.

14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and [v] sat in [§] an open place, which *is* by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

15 When Judah saw her, he thought her *to be* an harlot; because she had covered her face.

16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she *was* his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?

17 And he said, [w] I will send *thee* [o] a kid from the flock. And she said, [x] Wilt thou give *me* a pledge, till thou send *it*?

18 And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, [y] Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that *is* in thine hand. And he gave *it* her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

19 And she arose, and went away, and [z] laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.

20 And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive *his* pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where *is* the harlot, that *was* [§] openly by the way side? And they said, There was no harlot in this *place*.

22 And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, *that* there was no harlot in this *place*.

23 And Judah said, Let her take *it* to her, lest we [t] be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her.

24 ¶ And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath [a] played the harlot; and also, behold, she is with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her forth, [t] and let her be burnt.

25 When she *was* brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these *are*, *am* I with child: and she said, [o] Discern, I pray thee, whose *are* these, [p] the signet, and bracelets, and staff.

26 And Judah [o] acknowledged *them*, and said, [r] She hath been more righteous

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than I; because that [c] I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again [b] no more.

27 ¶ And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins *were* in her womb.

28 And it came to pass, when she travailed, that *the one* put out *his* hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.

29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, [e] How hast thou broken forth? *this* breach *be* upon thee: therefore his name was called † Pharez. [d]

30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah.

CHAP. XXXIX.

AND Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and [f] Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, [g] bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.

2 And [m] the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

3 And his master saw that the LORD *was* with him, and that the LORD [n] made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

4 And Joseph [p] found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him [q] overseer over his house, and all *that* he had he put into his hand.

5 And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that [r] the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.

6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph [s] was a goodly *person*, and well favoured.

7 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, [m] Lie with me.

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what *is* with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

9 *There is* none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou *art* his wife: [t] how then can I do this great wickedness, and [y] sin against God?

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her.

11 And it came to pass about this time, that *Joseph* went into the house to do his business; and *there was* none of the men of the house there within.

12 And [b] she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth,

14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a ‖ loud voice:

B. C. 1739.

[c] ver. 14.
[b] Job 31. 31, 32.
[e] Ex. 23. 1. Ps. 120. 3.
[e] or, *Wherefore hast thou made this breach against thee?*
† i. e. *a breach.*
[d] ch. 46. 12. Nu. 26. 20. 1 Ch. 2. 4. Mat. 1. 3.
[e] Pr. 6. 34, 35.
[f] Ps. 105. 18. 1 Pe. 2. 19.
[g] ch. 40. 3, 15. 41. 14.
[h] ch. 37. 36. Ps. 105. 17.
[i] *extended kindness unto him.*
[l] Ex. 3. 21. 11. 3. 12. 36. Ps. 106. 46. Pr. 16. 7. Da. 1. 9. Ac. 7. 9, 10.
[k] ch. 27. 28.
[l] ch. 40. 3, 4.
[m] ver. 21. ch. 21. 22. 26. 24, 28. 28. 15. 1 Sa. 16. 18. 18. 12, 28. Ac. 7. 9.
[n] Ps. 1. 3.
[o] ver. 2, 3.
[p] ver. 21. ch. 18. 3. 19. 19.
[q] ch. 24. 2.
[r] Ne. 1. 11.
[s] ch. 30. 27. De. 28. 3, &c. 2 Sa. 6. 11. 12 Ac. 27. 24.
[t] Pr. 16. 14.
[u] ch. 38. 20, 23.
[y] 1 Sa. 14. 12. Ac. 7. 20.
[w] 2 Sa. 13. 11. Pr. 2. 16. Je. 3. 3. Eze. 16. 30. 31.
[x] Pr. 6. 29, 32.
§ are *your faces evil?* Ne. 2. 2.
[y] ch. 20. 6. Le. 6. 2. 2 Sa. 12. 13. Ps. 51. 4.
[z] ch. 41. 15.
[a] ch. 41. 16. Da. 2. 11, 28, 47.
[b] Pr. 7. 13, &c.
[c] ver. 18. ch. 41. 12, 25. Ju. 7. 14. Da. 2. 36. 4. 19.
‖ *great.*
[d] ch. 41. 26.

15 And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.

16 And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.

17 And she [c] spake unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:

18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his [c] wrath was kindled.

20 And Joseph's master took him, and [f] put him into the [g] prison, a place where the king's prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison.

21 ¶ But the LORD was with Joseph, and [l] shewed him mercy, and [i] gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

22 And the keeper of the prison [l] committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that *were* in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer *of it*.

23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing *that was* under his hand; because [o] the LORD was with him, and *that* which he did, the LORD made *it* to prosper.

CHAP. XL.

AND it came to pass after these things, *that* the [r] butler of the king of Egypt and his baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.

2 And Pharaoh was [s] wroth against two *of* his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

3 And [m] he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph *was* bound.

4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued a season in ward.

5 ¶ And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which *were* bound in the prison.

6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold, they *were* sad.

7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that *were* with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying, Wherefore § look ye *so* sadly to day?

8 And they said unto him, [a] We have dreamed a dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, [b] *Do* not interpretations *belong* to God? tell me *them*, I pray you.

9 And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine *was* before me;

10 And in the vine *were* three branches: and it *was* as though it budded, *and* her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:

11 And Pharaoh's cup *was* in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

12 And Joseph said unto him, [c] This *is* the interpretation of it: The three branches [d] *are* three days:

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13 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh [a] lift [b] up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.

14 But [†] think [c] on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew *kindness*, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:

15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: [d] and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.

16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, I also *was* in my dream, and, behold, *I had* three [‖] white baskets on my head:

17 And in the uppermost basket *there was* of all manner of [¶] bakemeats for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head.

18 And Joseph answered and said, [e] This is the interpretation thereof: The three baskets *are* three days:

19 Yet [f] within three days shall Pharaoh [†] lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee.

20 [¶] And it came to pass the third day, *which was* Pharaoh's [g] birthday, that he [i] made a feast unto all his servants: and he [†] lifted [k] up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.

21 And he [l] restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and [m] he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:

22 But he [n] hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.

23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but [o] forgat him.

CHAP. XLI.

AND it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.

2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed in a meadow.

3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the *other* kine upon the brink of the river.

4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, [a] rank and good.

6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind sprung up after them.

7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, *it was* a dream.

8 [¶] And it came to pass in the morning [b] that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all [c] the magicians of Egypt, and all the [‖] wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

9 [¶] Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:

10 Pharaoh was [*] wroth with his servants, [d] and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, *both* me and the chief baker:

11 And [e] we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream.

12 And *there was* there with us a young man, an Hebrew, [f] servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he [g] interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret.

13 And it came to pass, [h] as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged.

14 [¶] Then [i] Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they [†] brought [k] him hastily [l] out of the dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and *there is* none that can interpret it: [m] and I have heard say of thee, *that* [§] thou canst understand a dream to interpret it.

16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, [n] *It is* not in me: [o] God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace.

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, [p] In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:

18 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in a meadow:

19 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:

20 And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:

21 And when they had [§] eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they *were* still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke.

22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

23 And, behold, seven ears, [‖] withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them:

24 And the thin ears devoured the seven good ears: [b] and I told *this* unto the magicians; but *there was* none that could declare *it* to me.

25 [¶] And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: [q] God hath shewed Pharaoh what he *is* about to do.

26 The seven good kine *are* seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the dream *is* one.

27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them *are* seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be [r] seven years of famine.

28 This [s] *is* the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God *is* about to do he sheweth unto Pharaoh.

29 Behold, there come *f* seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

30 And there shall [t] arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine [k] shall consume the land;

31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it *shall be* very [†] grievous.

32 And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it *is* because the [m] thing *is* [‖] established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.

33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt.

34 Let Pharaoh do *this*, and let him appoint [§] officers over the land, and [¶] take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years.

B. C. 1718.

[a] ch. 37. 36.
[b] or, reckon.
[b] 2 Ki. 25. 27. Ps. 3. 3. Je. 52. 31.
[c] ch. 40. 12, &c
[d] ch. 40. 22.
[†] *remember me with thee.*
[e] Lu. 23. 42.
[f] Jos. 2. 12. 1 Sa. 20. 14, 15. 2 Sa. 9. 1.
[‖] 1 Ki. 2. 7.
[¶] Ps. 105. 20.
[†] *made him run.*
[h] Da. 2. 25.
[i] 1 Sa. 2. 8.
[k] ch. 39. 20.
[l] Ps. 25. 14.
[§] or, when *thou hearest a dream thou canst interpret it.*
[‖] or, *full of holes.*
[*] *meat of Pharaoh, the work of a baker*, or, cook.
[m] Ac. 3. 12. 2 Co. 3. 5.
[n] Da. 2. 22, 47. 4. 2.
[o] ver. 1.
[p] ver. 12.
[r] ver. 13.
[†] or, *reckon thee*, and take thy office *from thee.*
[s] Mat. 14. 6.
[t] Mar. 6. 21.
[‖] or, *reckoned.*
[u] Mat. 25. 19.
[§] *come to the inward parts of them.*
[x] ver. 13.
[y] Ne. 2. 1.
[z] ver. 19.
[a] Job 19. 14. Ps. 31. 12. Ec. 9. 15, 16. Am. 6. 6.
[‖] or, *small.*
[b] Da. 4. 7.
[c] Re. 4. 1.
[d] 2 Ki. 8. 1.
[e] ver. 25.
[*] *fat.*
[f] ver. 47.
[g] ver. 54.
[h] Da. 2. 1. 4. 5. 19.
[i] Ex. 7. 11, 22. Is. 29. 14. Da. 1. 20.
[k] ch. 47. 13.
[l] Mat. 2. 1.
[†] *heavy.*
[m] Nu. 23. 19. Is. 46. 10, 11.
[‖] or, *prepared of God.*
[n] ch. 40. 2, 3.
[o] ch. 39. 20.
[p] ch. 40. 5.
[§] or, *overseers.*
[¶] Pr. 6. 6..8.

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35 And [a] let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land [b] perish [c] not through the famine.

37 [d] And [e] the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.

38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find *such a one* as this *is*, a man [f] in whom the Spirit of God *is*?

39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as thou *art*:

40 Thou [h] shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people [†] be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.

41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have [i] set thee over all the land of Egypt.

42 And Pharaoh [k] took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and [l] arrayed him in vestures of [‡] fine linen, [m] and put a gold chain about his neck;

43 And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; [n] and they cried before him, [§] Bow the knee: and he made him *ruler* [o] over all the land of Egypt.

44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I *am* Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.

45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name [•] Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah [†] priest of On. And Joseph went out over *all* the land of Egypt.

46 [¶] And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he [p] stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.

48 And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which *was* round about every city, laid he up in the same.

49 And Joseph gathered corn [q] as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for *it was* without number.

50 And [r] unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah [§] priest of On bare unto him.

51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn [‖] Manasseh: For God, *said he*, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

52 And the name of the second called he [†] Ephraim: For God hath caused me to [s] be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

53 [¶] And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.

54 And [t] the seven years of dearth began to come, [u] according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do.

56 And the famine was over all the [x] face of the earth: And Joseph opened [‡] all the storehouses, and [y] sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

57 And [z] all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy *corn*; because that the famine was *so* sore in all lands.

CHAP. XLII.

NOW when [a] Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, Why do ye look one upon another?

2 And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may [b] live, and not die.

3 [¶] And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Egypt.

4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, [c] Lest peradventure mischief befall him.

5 And the sons of Israel came to buy *corn* among those that came: for the famine was [d] in the land of Canaan.

6 And Joseph *was* the governor [e] over the land, *and* he *it was* that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and [f] bowed down themselves before him *with* their faces to the earth.

7 And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spake [§] roughly unto them; and he said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food.

8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

9 And Joseph [h] remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye *are* spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

10 And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy servants come.

11 We *are* all one man's sons; we *are* true *men*, thy servants are no spies.

12 And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

13 And they said, Thy servants *are* twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one [i] *is* not.

14 And Joseph said unto them, That *is it* that I spake unto you, saying, Ye *are* spies.

15 Hereby ye shall be proved: [j] By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.

16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be [‖] kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether *there be any* truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye *are* spies.

17 And he [•] put them all together into ward three days.

18 And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; [k] *for* I fear God:

19 If ye *be* true *men*, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses:

20 But [l] bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.

21 [¶] And they said one to another, [m] We *are* verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; [n] therefore is this distress come upon us.

22 And Reuben answered them, saying, [o] Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not

B. C. 1715.

[a] ver. 48.
[b] De. 9. 28.
[c] *be not cut off.*
[d] ch. 47. 15, 19.
[e] Ac. 7. 12.
[f] Ac. 7. 10.
[g] Nu. 27. 18. Job 32. 8. Pr. 2. 6.
[h] Ps. 118. 17. Is. 24. 1.
[i] Ps. 105. 21, 22.
[k] ver. 38.
[†] *be armed*, or, *kiss.*
[l] Ac. 7. 11.
[m] De. 3. 3.
[n] ch. 41. 41.
[o] Es. 3. 10. 8. 2, 8.
[•] Es. 8. 15.
[‡] or, *silk.*
[p] ch. 27. 7.
[q] Da. 5. 7, 29.
[r] Es. 6. 9.
[§] or, *Tender father.* Heb. *Abrech.*
[‖] *hardthings with them.*
[t] ch. 45. 8, 9.
[u] ch. 37. 5, 9.
[•] Which in the Coptic signifies, *A revealer of secrets*, or, *The man to whom secrets are revealed.*
[†] or, *prince.* Ex. 2. 16. 2 Sa. 8. 18. 20. 26.
[v] 1 Sa. 16. 21. 1 Ki. 12. 6, 8. Da. 1. 19.
[w] ch. 37. 30. 44. 20. La. 5. 7.
[x] ch. 22. 17. Ju. 7. 12. 1 Sa. 13. 5. Ps. 78. 27.
[y] 1 Sa. 1. 28. 17. 55. ch. 46. 29. 48. 5.
[z] bound.
[§] or, *prince.* 2 Sa. 8. 18.
[‖] i. e. *forgetting.*
[•] *gathered.*
[a] Le. 25. 43. Ne. 5. 15.
[†] i. e. *fruitful.*
[b] ch. 43. 22.
[c] Ps. 105. 16. Ac. 7. 11.
[d] ch. 43. 1. 44. 22.
[e] ver. 30.
[f] Job 38. 8, 9. Ho. 5. 15.
[g] Pr. 21. 13. Mat. 7. 2.
[h] ch. 37. 21.
[‡] *all wherein was.*
[i] ch. 42. 6. 47. 14, 24.

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bear? therefore, behold, also his blood is [o] required.

23 And they knew not that Joseph understood *them*; for [p] he spake unto them by an interpreter.

24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

25 ¶ Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and [q] thus did he unto them.

26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.

27 And as [r] one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in the inn, he espied his money; for, behold, it *was* in his sack's mouth.

28 And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, *it is* even in my sack: and their heart [s] failed *them*, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What *is* this *that* God hath done unto us?

29 ¶ And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,

30 The man, *who is* the lord of the land, [t] spake [u] roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.

31 And we said unto him, We *are* true *men*; we are no spies:

32 We *be* twelve brethren, sons of our father; one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with our father in the land of Canaan.

33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, [v] Hereby shall I know that ye *are* true *men*; leave one of your brethren *here* with me, and take *food for* the famine of your households, and be gone:

34 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye *are* no spies, but *that* ye *are* true *men*: so will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall [w] traffick in the land.

35 ¶ And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, [x] every man's bundle of money *was* in his sack: and when *both* they and their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.

36 And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye [y] bereaved *of my children*: Joseph *is* not, and Simeon *is* not, and ye will take Benjamin *away*: all these things [z] are against me.

37 And Reuben spake unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again.

38 And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for [a] his brother is dead, and he is left alone: [b] if mischief befall him by the way in the which ye go, then shall ye [c] bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

CHAP. XLIII.

AND the famine *was* [d] sore in the land.

2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food.

3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man [e] did solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your [f] brother *be* with you.

4 If thou wilt [g] send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:

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[o] ch. 9. 5. 1 Ki. 2. 32. 2 Ch. 24. 22. Ps. 9. 12. Lu. 11. 50, 51.
[p] *an interpreter was between them.*
† *asking asked us.*
‡ mouth.
§ *knowing could we know?*
[q] Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 17, 20, 21. 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[r] ch. 43. 21.
[s] ch. 41. 32. Ps. 119. 122. Phile. 18, 19.
‖ *went forth.*
[t] or, *twice by this.*
[u] ch. 33. 20. Pr. 18. 16.
[v] ch. 37. 25. Je. 8. 22.
[w] ver. 7.
† *with us hard things.*
[x] ch. 42. 25, 35.
[y] ver 15. 19, 20.
[z] Ne. 1. 11. Ps. 37. 5.
‡ or, *and I, as I have been, &c.*
[a] Ex. 4. 16.
[b] ch. 34. 10. 1 Ki. 10. 15.
[c] ch. 34. 2. 39. 4. 44. 1.
§ *kill a killing.*
[d] ch. 43. 21.
‖ *eat.*
[e] ch. 43. 14.
[f] 1 Sa. 27. 1. Job 7. 7. Ps. 34. 19. Mat. 14. 31. Ro. 8. 28, 31.
[g] *roll himself upon us.*
[h] ver. 13. ch. 37. 33. 44. 28.
[i] ver. 6.
[k] ch. 44. 29.
† *coming down we came down.*
[l] ch. 42. 3, 10.
[m] ch. 37. 25. 41. 31.
[n] ch. 42. 27, 35.
[o] ch. 41. 54, 57. Le. 5. 10. Ja. 5. 23. 1 Sa. 25. 6. Da. 4. 1. Lu. 24. 36. Ro. 1. 7.
‡ *protesting protested.*
[p] ch. 42. 20. 44. 23.
§ *your money came to me.*

5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.

6 And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye *so* ill with me, *as* to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother?

7 And they said, The man [h] asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, *Is* your father yet alive? have ye *another* brother? and we told him according to the [i] tenor of these words: [k] could we certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down?

8 And Judah said unto Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, *and* also our little ones.

9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: [l] if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:

10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned [m] this second time.

11 And their father Israel said unto them, If *it must be* so now, do this; take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and [n] carry down the man a present, a little [o] balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:

12 And take double money in your hand; and the money [p] that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry *it* again in your hand; peradventure it *was* an oversight:

13 Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:

14 And God Almighty give you mercy before [q] the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. ‡ If I be bereaved *of my children*, I am bereaved.

15 ¶ And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph.

16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the [r] ruler of his house, Bring *these* men home, and § slay, and make ready; for *these* men shall ‖ dine with me at noon.

17 And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.

18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may [s] seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.

19 And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

20 And said, O sir, † we [t] came indeed down at the first time to buy food:

21 And [u] it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, *every* man's money *was* in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

23 And he said, [v] Peace *be* to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: § I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.

24 And the man brought the men into

[q] ch. 39. 21. Ps. 106. 46.
[r] ch. 39. 4.
§ *kill a killing.*
‖ *eat.*
[s] Ex. 21. 2. Le. 25. 39. 2 Ki. 4. 1. Ne. 5. 5. Is. 50. 1.
† *coming down we came down.*
[t] ch. 42. 3, 10.
[u] ch. 42. 27, 35.
[v] Da. 10. 19. Mat. 28. 5. Lu. 24. 36.

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Joseph's house, and [a] gave *them* water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.

26 ¶ [b] And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which *was* in their hand into the house, and [c] bowed themselves to him to the earth.

27 And he asked them of *their* [d] welfare, and said, † *Is* your father well, the old man [e] of whom ye spake? *Is* he yet alive?

28 And they answered, Thy servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And [f] they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, [h] his mother's son, and said, *Is* this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son.

30 And Joseph made haste; for [k] his bowels did yern upon his brother: and he sought *where* to weep; and he entered into *his* chamber, and [m] wept there.

31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on [n] bread.

32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that is [p] an abomination unto the Egyptians.

33 And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.

34 And he took *and sent* messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was [r] five times so much as any of their's. And they drank, and § were merry with him.

CHAP. XLIV.

AND he commanded ‖ the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks *with* food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.

2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his corn money. [s] And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

4 *And* when they were gone out of the city, *and* not *yet* far off, Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?

5 *Is* not this *it* in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he [t] divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.

6 ¶ And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

7 And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing:

8 Behold, *f* the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?

9 With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, [h] both let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen.

10 And he said, Now also *let* it *be* according unto your words: he with whom it is found [k] shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.

11 Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack.

12 And he searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

13 Then they [d] rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

14 ¶ And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he *was* yet there: and they *f* fell before him on the ground.

15 And Joseph said unto them, What deed *is* this that ye have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly † divine?

16 And Judah said, What ‡ shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? God hath *l* found out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we *are* my lord's servants, both we, and *he* also with whom the cup is found.

17 And he said, [m] God forbid that I should do so: *but* the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.

18 ¶ Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and [n] let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou *art* even as Pharaoh.

19 My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?

20 And we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old man, and [o] a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and [m] he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.

21 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring [p] him down unto me, that I may set [r] mine eyes upon him.

22 And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his father, *his father* would die.

23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except [s] your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.

24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.

25 And [a] our father said, Go again, *and* buy us a little food.

26 And we said, We [b] cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.

27 And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that [c] my wife bare me two *sons*:

28 And the one went out from me, and I said, [d] Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:

29 And if ye [e] take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing that [f] his life is bound up in the lad's life;

31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad *is* not *with us*, that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the grave

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[a] ch. 18. 4. 24. 32. Lu. 7. 44. Jno. 13. 11.. 17.
[b] Ex. 22. 3.
[c] ch. 37. 7, 10. Ro. 14. 11. Ph. 2. 10, 11.
[d] ch. 37. 29, 34. Nu. 14. 6. 2 Sa. 1. 11. 13. 19.
[e] *peace.* ch. 37. 14.
† Is *there peace to your father?*
[f] ch. 42. 11, 13.
[g] ch. 37. 7. 50. 18.
[h] ch. 37. 7, 10.
[k] ch. 35. 17, 18.
‡ or, *make trial*, ver. 5.
[l] De. 23. 1. Ezr. 9. 10, 13. Job 40. 4. Is. 5. 3. Ac. 2. 37.
[m] 1 Ki. 3. 26.
[n] Nu. 32. 22. Jos. 7. 1, 18. Ju. 1. 7. Pr. 28. 17. Mat. 7. 2. Lu. 12. 2.
[m] ch. 42. 24.
[o] Ps. 73. 2. Pr. 17. 15.
[p] ver. 25.
[q] ch. 46. 34. Ex. 8. 26.
[r] ch. 18. 30, 32. Ex. 32. 22.
[s] ch. 37. 3.
[t] ch. 43. 22.
[u] Lu. 7. 12.
§ *drank largely.* Hag. 1. 6. Jno. 2. 10.
[v] ch. 42. 15, 20.
[x] Am. 9. 4.
‖ him *that was over his house.*
[y] ch. 43. 3, 5.
[z] 2 Co. 8. 8.
[a] ch. 43. 2.
[b] Lu. 14. 7.
[c] or, *maketh trial.*
[d] ch. 46. 19.
[e] ch. 37. 33.
[f] ch. 42. 36, 38.
[g] ch. 43. 21.
[h] 1 Sa. 18. 1. 20. 29.
[k] ch. 31. 32.

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32 For thy servant became [a] surety for the lad unto my father, saying, [b] If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever.

33 Now therefore, I pray thee, [d] let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I [e] see the evil that shall [†] come on my father.

CHAP. XLV.

THEN Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.

2 And he [‡] wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, [g] I *am* Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were [a] troubled at his presence.

4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I *am* Joseph your brother, [b] whom ye sold into Egypt.

5 Now therefore [i] be not grieved, [†] nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: [k] for God did send me before you to preserve life.

6 For these two years *hath* the famine *been* in the land: and yet *there are* five years, in the which *there shall* neither *be* earing nor harvest.

7 And God sent me before you [§] to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

8 So now *it was* not you *that* sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me [l] a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not:

10 And [c] thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast:

11 And there will I nourish thee; for [r] yet *there are* five years of famine; lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.

12 And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that *it is* [s] my mouth that speaketh unto you.

13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen: and ye shall haste and [t] bring down my father hither.

14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck.

15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

16 ¶ And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it [‖] pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;

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[a] Job 17. 3. Ps. 119. 122. He. 7. 22.
[b] ch. 43. 3.
[c] ch. 37. 28. Nu 18.12.29
[d] Ex. 32. 32. Ro. 5. 7, 8. 9. 3.
[e] *letnot your eye spare.*
[f] 2 Ch. 34. 28.
[†] *And my father.* Ex. 18. 8. Job 31. 29. Ps. 116. 3. 119.143.
[‡] *mouth.* Nu. 3. 16.
[f] ch. 43. 34.
[§] *carrying.*
[‖] *gave forth his voice in weeping.* Nu. 14. 1.
[g] Ac. 7. 13.
[a] or, *terrified.* Job 4. 5. 23. 15. Mat. 14. 26. Mar. 6. 50.
[b] Ac. 7. 35.
[i] Is. 40. 2. 2 Co. 2. 7.
[†] *neither let there be anger in your eyes.*
[j] Job 36. 24. Ps. 126 1. Lu.24.11,41.
[‡] *his.*
[k] ch. 50. 20. Ps.105.16,17 28a..18.10,11 Ac. 4. 28.
[§] *to put for you a remnant.*
[l] ch. 41. 43. Ju. 17. 10. Job 29. 16.
[m] ch. 26.22. 31. 42.
[n] ch. 15. 1. Job33.14,15.
[o] ch. 47. 1.
[p] ch. 12. 2. De. 26. 5.
[r] ch. 26. 15. 42. 21.
[s] ch. 15. 16. Ex. 3. 8.
[t] ch. 47. 6, 12. Mar.7.9..13. 1 Ti. 5. 4.
[u] Ac. 7. 15.
[v] ch. 42. 23.
[x] Ac. 7. 14.
[y] Jos. 24. 4. Ps. 105. 23 Is. 52. 4.
[z] Ex. 1. 1. 6. 14.
[a] Nu. 26. 5. 1 Ch. 5. 1.
[‖] *was good in the eyes of Pharaoh.*
[§] Ne. 3. 36. 2 Ch. 30. 4.
[b] Ex. 6. 15.
[c] or, *Nemuel*
[†] or, *Jarib.*
[‡] or, *Zerah.* 1 Ch. 4. 24.

18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the [z] fat of the land.

19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also [a] regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt *is* your's.

21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the [‡] commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and [f] five changes of raiment.

23 And to his father he sent after this *manner*; ten asses [§] laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.

25 ¶ And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

26 And told him, saying, Joseph [i] yet alive, and he *is* governor over all the land of Egypt. And [‖] Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:

28 And Israel said, *It is* enough; Joseph my son [i] yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

CHAP. XLVI.

AND Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifices [m] unto the God of his father Isaac.

2 And God spake unto Israel [n] in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here *am* I.

3 And he said, I *am* God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there [o] make of thee a great nation:

4 I [r] will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely [s] bring thee up *again*: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

5 And [u] Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, [†] Jacob, and all his seed with him:

7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.

8 ¶ And [a] these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: [a] Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

9 And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.

10 ¶ And [b] the sons of Simeon; [c] Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and [†] Jachin, and [‡] Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.

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11 ¶ And the sons of [a] Levi; [b] Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

12 ¶ And the sons of [h] Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zarah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And [d] the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.

13 ¶ And [f] the sons of Issachar; Tola, and † Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.

14 ¶ And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.

15 These *be* the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters *were* thirty and three.

16 ¶ And the sons of Gad; ‡ Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and ‡ Ezbon, Eri, and § Arodi, and Areli.

17 ¶ And [m] the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

18 These *are* the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.

19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

20 ¶ And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah ‖ priest of On bare unto him.

21 ¶ And [o] the sons of Benjamin *were* Bela, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, [n] Ehi, and Rosh, [o] Muppim, and [o] Huppim, and Ard.

22 These *are* the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls *were* fourteen.

23 ¶ And the sons of Dan; † Hushim.

24 ¶ And [p] the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.

25 These [q] *are* the sons of Bilhah, § which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the souls *were* seven.

26 All [r] the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his § loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls *were* threescore and six;

27 And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, *were* two souls: [s] all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, *were* threescore and ten.

28 ¶ And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, [t] to direct his face unto Goshen; and they came [t] into the land of Goshen.

29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he [u] fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 And Israel said unto Joseph, [v] Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou *art* yet alive.

31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, [w] I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, which *were* in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;

32 And the men *are* shepherds, for [x] their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.

33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What *is* your occupation?

34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle [y] from our youth even until now, both we, *and* also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd *is* [z] an abomination unto the Egyptians.

[a] 1 Ch. 6. 1, 16.
[b] or, *Gershom.*
[h] 1 Ch. 2. 3. 4. 21.
[c] Ex. 6. 24.
[d] 1 Ch. 2. 5.
[f] ch. 46. 31.
[f] 1 Ch. 7. 1.
† or, *Puah, and Jashub.*
[g] ch. 45. 10.
[h] Ac. 7. 13.
[i] Nu. 26. 15, *Zephon.*
‡ or, *Ozni.*
[k] Jos. 1. 8. 2 Tb. 3. 10.
§ or, *Arod.*
[l] ch. 46. 24. Am. 7. 14, 15.
[m] 1 Ch. 7. 30.
[n] ch. 15. 13. De. 26. 5. Ps 105. 23. Is. 52. 4. ch. 43. 1. Ac. 7. 11.
[p] ch. 46. 24.
[r] ch. 20. 15. Pr. 21. 1.
‖ or, *prince.*
[o] 1 Ch. 7. 6. 8. 1.
[r] ver. 4.
[n] Nu. 26. 38, *Ahiram.*
[o] Nu. 26. 39, *Shupham.* 1 Ch. 7. 12, *Shuppim.*
[o] *Hupham.* Nu. 26. 39.
† or, *Shuham* Nu. 26. 42.
‡ *How many are the days of the years of thy life?*
[p] 1 Ch. 7. 13.
[q] 1 Ch. 29. 15. Ps. 39. 12. He. 11. 9, 13. 13. 14.
[r] ch. 20. 9, 7.
[s] ch. 29. 29.
[t] Job 14. 1. Ec. 2. 23.
[u] ch. 25. 7. 35. 29.
[v] Ex. 1. 5.
§ *thigh.*
[w] ch. 35. 11.
[x] Ru. 2. 4. He. 7. 7.
[y] Ac. 7. 14.
[z] Ex. 1. 11. 12. 37.
[y] ver. 6.
[z] ch. 31. 21.
[t] ch. 47. 1.
‖ *according to the little ones, or, as a little child is nourished.*
[m] ch. 41. 30. Ac. 7. 11.
[n] ch. 45. 14.
[o] ch. 41. 56.
[p] Lu. 2. 29, 30.
[r] ch. 47. 1.
[o] *they are men of cattle*
† *led them.*
[s] ch. 34. 5.

CHAP. XLVII.

THEN Joseph [a] came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they *are* in the [b] land of Goshen.

2 And he took some of his brethren, *even* five men, and [h] presented them unto Pharaoh.

3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, [h] What *is* your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, [i] Thy servants *are* shepherds, both we, *and* also our fathers.

4 They said moreover unto Pharaoh, [k] For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; [l] for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants [m] dwell in the land of Goshen.

5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

6 The [n] land of Egypt *is* before thee: in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; [o] in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest *any* men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.

7 And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

8 And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, ‡ How old *art* thou?

9 And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, [p] The days of the years of my pilgrimage *are* an hundred and thirty years: [q] few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and [r] have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

10 And Jacob [s] blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

11 ¶ And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of [t] Rameses, [u] as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, ‖ according to *their* families.

13 ¶ And *there was* no bread in all the land; for the famine *was* very sore, [v] so that the land of Egypt and *all* the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.

14 And [w] Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail.

17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he † fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.

18 When that year was ended, they

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came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide *it* from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.

20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Egypt even to the *other* end thereof.

22 Only *d* the land of the * priests bought he not; for the priests had a portion *assigned them* of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.

23 Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, *here is* seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the fifth *part* unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.

25 And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: *h* let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants.

26 And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, *that* Pharaoh should have the fifth *part*; *i* except the land of the † priests only, *which* became not Pharaoh's.

27 ¶ And Israel *k* dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and *l* grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so ‖ the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

29 And the time *e* drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, *m* put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and *n* deal kindly and truly with me; *o* bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt:

30 But *p* I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and *q* bury me in their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And *r* Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

CHAP. XLVIII.

AND it came to pass after these things, that *one* told Joseph, Behold, thy father *is* sick: and he took with him his two *f* sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

2 And *one* told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

3 And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at *s* Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me,

4 And said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee *for* an everlasting possession.

5 ¶ And now thy *t* two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, *are* mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine, *and* shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, *u* Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when *yet there was* but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same *is* Beth-lehem.

8 And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who *are* these?

9 And Joseph said unto his father, * They *are* my sons, whom God hath given me in this *place*. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and *f* I will bless them.

10 Now *v* the eyes of Israel were † dim for age, *so that* he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and *h* he kissed them, and embraced them.

11 And Israel said unto Joseph, *i* I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.

12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed *j* himself with his face to the earth.

13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought *them* near unto him.

14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* upon Ephraim's head, who *was* the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, ‖ guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh *was* the firstborn.

15 ¶ And *k* he blessed Joseph, and said, God, *w* before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day,

16 The Angel *x* which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let *y* my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them ‖ grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.

17 And when Joseph saw that his father *z* laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it *a* displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

18 And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this *is* the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.

19 And his father refused, and said, *b* I know *it*, my son, I know *it*: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly *c* his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a † multitude of nations.

20 And he blessed them that day, saying, *d* In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

21 And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but *e* God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

22 Moreover *f* I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

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a ch. 17. 8.
b ch. 41. 50.
c ch. 35. 19.
d Exr. 7. 24. Mat. 10. 10. 1 Co. 9. 13. Ge. 6. 6.
* or, *princes*. ch. 41. 45. 2 Sa. 8. 18.
e ch. 23. 5.
f ch. 27. 4.
g ch. 27. 1.
† *heavy*. Is. 6. 10. 59. 1.
h ch. 27. 27.
i ch. 43. 23.
j Le. 19. 2, 32. 1 Ki. 2. 19. 2 Ki. 4. 37. Pr. 23. 22. Ep. 6. 1.
k ch. 33. 15. Ru. 2. 13. 1 Sa. 25. 8. 2 Sa. 16. 4.
l Ne. 13. 10.
‡ or, *princes*. ver. 22.
m ver. 19.
n ver. 11.
o ch. 46. 3.
p He. 11. 21.
q ch. 47. 1. 24. 40.
§ *the days of the years of his life*. ver. 9.
r Ps. 34. 22. 121. 7. Mat. 6. 13. Jno. 17. 15. Ro. 8. 23. 2 Ti. 4. 18.
t De. 31. 14. 1 Ki. 2. 1.
u Am. 9. 12. Ac. 15. 17.
v ch. 24. 2.
‖ *as fishes do increase*.
w ch. 24. 40.
x ch. 50. 25.
y ver. 14.
z 2 Sa. 19. 37.
* *was evil in his eyes*. ch. 28. 8.
a ch. 49. 22. 50. 5, 13.
b ch. 48. 2. 1 Ki. 1. 47. He. 11. 21.
c ver. 14.
d Nu. 1. 33, 35. De. 33. 17.
e Ps. 128. 6.
† *fulness*.
f Ru. 4. 11, 12.
g ch. 50. 24. Ps. 18. 46.
h ch. 28. 13, 19. Ju. 1. 23.
i Jos. 24. 32. Exo. 47. 13. Jno. 4. 5.
k ch. 15. 16. 34. 26. Jos. 17. 14, &c. Ju. 11. 23. Am. 2. 9.

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CHAP. XLIX.

AND Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may [b] tell you *that* which shall befall you [c] in the last days.

2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and [d] hearken unto Israel your father.

3 ¶ Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, [e] and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 Unstable as water, [g] thou [i] shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it*: [†] he went up to my couch.

5 ¶ Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; [‡] instruments [l] of cruelty *are in* their habitations.

6 O my soul, [m] come not thou into their secret; [n] unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for [p] in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they [§] digged down a wall.

7 Cursed *be* their anger, *for it was* fierce: and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

8 ¶ Judah, [r] thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the neck of thine enemies; [s] thy father's children shall bow down before thee.

9 Judah *is* a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: [t] he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?

10 The [u] sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, [y] until Shiloh come; [z] and unto him *shall* the gathering of the people *be*.

11 Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

12 His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.

13 ¶ Zebulun [a] shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for an haven of ships; and his border *shall be* unto Zidon.

14 ¶ Issachar *is* a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

15 And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.

16 ¶ Dan [c] shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.

17 Dan [b] shall be a serpent by the way, [e] an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

18 I [f] have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

19 ¶ Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

20 ¶ Out of Asher his bread *shall be* fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.

21 ¶ Naphtali *is* a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

22 ¶ Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well; *whose* [†] branches run over the wall:

23 The archers have [k] sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him:

24 But his [l] bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *God* of Jacob; [o] from thence is the shepherd, [p] the stone of Israel:)

25 *Even* by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, [q] who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors [r] unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: [s] they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

27 ¶ Benjamin shall ravin [t] *as a* wolf; in the morning he shall devour the prey, [t] and at night he shall divide the spoil.

28 ¶ All these *are* the twelve tribes of Israel: and this *is it* that their father spake unto them, and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

29 And he charged them, and said unto them, I [u] am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

30 In the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah, which *is* before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.

31 There [v] they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; [v] there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.

32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that *is* therein *was* from the children of Heth.

33 And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

CHAP. L.

AND Joseph fell upon [w] his father's face, and [x] wept upon him, and kissed him.

2 And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to [b] embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.

3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians [‖] mourned [d] for him threescore and ten days.

4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto [c] the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, [a] in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

5 My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave [f] which I have digged for me in the land of Canaan there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again.

6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.

7 ¶ And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

8 And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.

9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company.

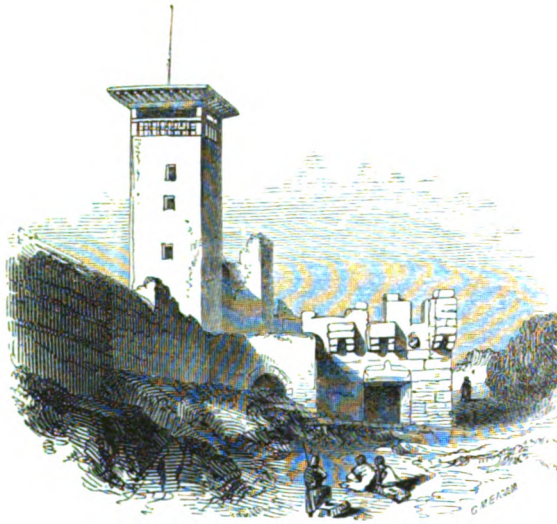
10 And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which *is* beyond Jordan, and there they [m] mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: [n] and he made a mourning for his father seven days.

11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This *is* a

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[a] De. 33. 13.
[b] De. 32. 1. Am. 3. 7.
[c] Is. 2. 2. 30. 6. Jer. 23. 20. Da. 2. 28, 29. Ac. 2. 17. He. 1. 2.
[d] Ps. 34. 11.
[e] Hab. 3. 6.
[f] De. 33. 16.
[g] De. 21. 17.
[h] Ju. 20. 21, 25. Ez. 22. 25, 27.
[i] *do not thou excel.*
[k] 1 Ch. 5. 1.
[l] Nu. 23. 24. Ez. 8. 11. Eze. 39. 10. Zec. 14. 1, 7.
[†] or, *my couch is gone.*
[‡] or, *their swords are weapons of violence.*
[l] ch. 34. 25.
[m] ch. 15. 15. 25. 8.
[n] Pr. 1. 15, 16.
[o] Ep. 5. 11.
[p] ch. 34. 26.
[§] or, *houghed oxen.*
[r] ch. 23. 19. 25. 9.
[s] ch. 35. 22.
[t] ch. 29. 35.
[u] 1 Ch. 5. 2.
[y] Nu. 24. 9.
[z] Nu. 24. 17.
[a] De. 33. 21. Zec. 10. 11.
[b] Is. 11. 1. Eze. 21. 27. Da. 9. 25. Lu. 1. 32, 33.
[c] Heb. 2. 7. Lu. 2. 30, 32.
[a] 2 Ki. 13. 14.
[b] 2 Ch. 16. 14. Mat. 26. 12. Mar. 16. 1.
[c] Jos. 19. 10, 11.
[‖] *wept.*
[d] Nu. 20. 29. De. 34. 8.
[e] Es. 4. 2.
[f] 2 Ch. 16. 14. Is. 22. 16. Mat. 27. 60.
[g] De. 33. 22. Ju. 13. 1, 2. 16. 31.
[h] Ju. 18. 27.
[i] *an arrowsmaker.*
[k] Ps. 25. 6. 119. 166, 174. Is. 25. 9.
[†] *daughters.*
[k] ch. 37. 4, 28. 28. 20. 42. 21. Ps. 118. 13.
[l] Job 29. 20. Ps. 37. 15.
[m] 2 Sa. 1. 17. Ac. 8. 2.
[n] 1 Sa. 31. 13. Job 2. 13.
[o] ch. 47. 12. 50. 21.
[p] Is. 28. 16.

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ANCIENT WALL AND GATE OF DAMASCUS.—*La Borde.*—Gen. xv. 2.



MOUNT MORIAH.—*Finden.*—Gen. xxii. 2.

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EASTERNS PITCHING THEIR TENTS.—*Calmet.*—Gen. xxxiii. 18.



EGYPTIANS EMBALMING.—*Dr. Taylor.*—Gen. l. 26.



EGYPTIAN COFFIN.—*British Museum.*—Gen. l. 26.

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grievous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called [a] Abelmizraim, which *is* beyond Jordan.

12 ¶ And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

13 For [b] his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham [c] bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 ¶ And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

15 ¶ And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, [d] they said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

16 And they [e] sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying,

17 So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; [f] for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.

18 And his brethren also went and [g] fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we *be* thy servants.

19 And Joseph said unto them, [h] Fear not: [i] for *am* I in the place of God?

20 But [k] as for you, ye thought evil against me; *but* [l] God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as *it is* this day, to save much people alive.

21 Now therefore fear ye not: [m] I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake [†] kindly unto them.

22 ¶ And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children [‡] of the third *generation*: [§] the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh [‖] were I brought up upon Joseph's knees.

24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and [#] God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land [#] which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

25 And [*] Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

26 So Joseph died, *being* an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

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[a] i. e. *the mourning of the Egyptians.*
[b] ch. 25. 8.
[c] De. 32. 35. 2 Ki. 5. 7. Job 34. 29. Ro. 12. 19. He. 10. 30.
[d] Ps. 56. 5. Is. 10. 7.
[e] ch. 49. 29, 30. Ac. 7. 16.
[f] ch. 45. 7. Ac. 2. 13–15.
[g] ch. 33. 16.
[h] Mat. 5. 44.
[†] *To their hearts.*
[i] Job 15. 21, 22
[k] Job 42. 16.
[l] Nu. 32. 30.
[m] ch. 30. 3.
[‡] *borne.*
[§] *educated.*
[‖] ch. 48. 4. Ex. 3. 16, 17. He. 11. 22.
[#] ch. 15. 14.
[*] Ex. 13. 19.
[†] Pr. 28. 13.
[¶] ch. 37. 7, 10.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. XV.—DAMASCUS. This is considered as the most ancient city in the world. According to Scripture, it is as old as the time of the patriarch Abraham; and Josephus ascribes its origin to Uz, the great-grandson of Noah. It was anciently the metropolis of a Syrian empire. The distant view of the whole city is beautiful (see cut—Galatians i. 16.), but its interior by no means corresponds with its environs. Its buildings are in general only of mud, and its streets narrow, to avoid the heat. It has had many masters, and seen various changes in its condition, having been subject, after the loss of its own kings, to the Jews, the Assyrians, Babylonians, Persians, the Seleucidæ, the Romans, and the Arabians, and more recently to the Turks and the Egyptians. It is now the capital of a pashalik of the Ottoman empire. The city is two miles in length, but its breadth is not in proportion, being extremely narrow. Its population is computed at about 150,000, about 140,000 of which are Mahometans; the remainder are Christians, with a few Jews. It appears formerly to have been enclosed within three strong walls, the destruction of which is announced by the prophet Jeremiah (ch. xlix. 27) and the prophet Amos (ch. i. 4, 5). The innermost was the greatest in point of elevation, and was separated from the middle wall by a ditch; the outer wall was the lowest. These walls had towers, some in a circular form and others square. The present wall is low, and encloses the city only about two-thirds round. It is supposed to stand on the site of the ancient inner wall; the other being broken down, and the ditches full of rubbish. There is a spot of the wall marked by tradition as that where the apostle Paul was let down in a basket to escape the fury of the Jews, Acts ix. 25; 2 Cor. xi. 33. The street called "Straight" still exists, and is believed to continue on the same site. It leads from the gate to the castle of the pasha. Travellers vary in their account of its length; some say it is a mile, and others only half that distance. Damascus and its surrounding luxuriant groves and gardens occupy a circuit of fifty miles.

CH. XXI.—MOUNT MORIAH. This celebrated mount lies on the eastern side of Jerusalem. It was in a state of cultivation till the time of David, who purchased it. Here Solomon built the temple. The name seldom occurs, being included in that of Zion, to the north-east of which it lay, and from which it was separated by the valley of Tyropœon. Across this valley Solomon appears to have raised a causeway. The Jews believe that the altar of burnt-offerings in the temple stood upon the very site of the altar on which the patriarch purposed to sacrifice his son. Here now stands the splendid mosque of Omar, the finest specimen of Saracenic architecture extant.

CH. XXXIII.—THE TENT. This is esteemed of some importance in the East. It was man's first habitation. Jabal invented it before the flood. The patriarchs chiefly lived in tents. Their life was unsettled, pastoral, and wandering; and they were what the Arabs are to this day. The simple structures scarcely need describing. They are easily erected and taken down, as they consist but of a pole or poles, a covering or curtains, a few cords and wooden pins to fasten them in the ground. Tents are of various materials; woven goat's hair is much used, but some are of white linen cloth; of various colours—black, white, red, yellow; of various shapes—circular and oblong. Some of the eastern princes have had superb tents,—elegant without, and richly furnished and carpeted within. A late king of Persia had one which cost 150,000*l*. 'It is a pleasure,' says one, 'which words cannot tell, to watch that portable home—everywhere the same—spreading around its magic circle, and rearing on high its gilded ball; as cord by cord is picketed down it assumes its wonted forms, and then spreads wide its festooned porch, displaying within mosaic carpets and piled cushions.'

CH. L.—EMBALMING. This art arose from a natural desire to preserve the bodies of beloved friends as long as possible from decomposition. It was carried to such perfection among the Egyptians that mummies are found in an excellent state even to this day, some of which must have existed in the days of the Pharaohs. It cost as much as 300*l.* to embalm some bodies. A dissector, with a sharp stone, cut the side, and then run away, to avoid being stoned by the relations for mangling the dead. The embalmers, with proper instruments, then drew the brains through the nostrils, and filled the skull with drugs. From the wounded side they also drew out the bowels, and washed them in astringent drugs. The body was then anointed in spices for thirty days, put into salt of nitre for forty days, and afterwards wrapped up in swaddling bands, dipped in myrrh, and closed with gum. It was then delivered to the relations, who enclosed it in a coffin, and kept it, or deposited it in a tomb. Alas! how much care is taken of the body at death, where none has been taken of the soul during life!

EGYPTIAN COFFINS. Coffins were the invention of the Egyptians. The rich and great only were buried in them. They were a sort of chest, composed of several layers of pasteboard glued together; sometimes they were of stone, and sometimes of sycamore wood.

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The Second Book of MOSES, called EXODUS.

This is a Greek word, used by the Seventy Greek translators, signifying *the going out*,—the book recording the history of the departure of the Israelites from Egypt.

CHAP. I.

NOW [a] these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt; every man and his household came with Jacob.

2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,
3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin,
4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
5 And all the souls that came out of the [b] loins of Jacob were [c] seventy souls: for Joseph was in Egypt *already*.
6 And [d] Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.
7 ¶ And [e] the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.
8 Now there [f] arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.
9 And he said unto his people, Behold, the [g] people of the children of Israel *are* more and mightier than we:
10 Come [h] on, let us [i] deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and *so* get them up out of the land.
11 Therefore they did set over them taskmasters [k] to afflict them with their burdens. [l] And they built for Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.
12 † But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were grieved because of the children of Israel.
13 And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:
14 And they [m] made their lives bitter with hard bondage, [n] in morter, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, *was* with rigour.
15 ¶ And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one *was* Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:
16 And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see *them* upon the stools; if it *be* a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it *be* a daughter, then she shall live.
17 But the midwives [o] feared God, and did not [p] as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men children alive.
18 And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?
19 And [q] the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women *are* not as the Egyptian women; for they *are* lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.
20 Therefore [r] God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.
21 And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, [s] that he made them houses.
22 And Pharaoh charged all his people,

B. C. 1706.

[a] Ac. 7. 19. Re. 12. 4...6.
[b] ch. 6. 14.
[c] Nu. 26. 59. 1 Ch. 23. 14.
[d] He. 11. 23.
[e] *thigh.*
[f] De. 10. 22.
[g] Ge. 50. 26.
[h] Ge. 38. 9. 1. 12. 2. 13. 16. 15. 5. Ps. 105. 24.
[i] Nu. 26. 59.
[k] Ac. 7. 18.
[l] Ps. 105. 24. Pr. 11. 28.
[m] Ps. 10. 2.
[n] Pr. 16. 25.
[o] Ge. 15. 13. De. 28. 6.
[p] Ps. 81. 6.
† *And as they afflicted them so they multiplied, &c.*
[q] Nu. 20. 15. Ru. 1. 20.
[r] Ps. 81. 6.
[s] Ac. 7. 21.
‡ *i. e. drawn out.*
[t] Ac. 7. 23, 24. He. 11. 24...26.
[u] ch. 1. 11.
[v] Pr. 16. 6.
[x] De. 3. 16, 18. 6. 13. Ac. 5. 29.
[y] Ac. 7. 27, 28.
§ *a man, a prince.* Ge. 13. 8.
[z] Jos. 2. 4. &c. 2 Sa. 17. 19, 20.
[a] Ps. 119. 65. Pr. 11. 18. Ec. 8. 12. Is. 3. 10. Ha. 6. 10.
[b] Ge. 24. 11. 29. 2. Jno. 4. 6.
[c] ch. 3. 1.
‖ or, *prince.* Ge. 41. 45.
[d] 1 Sa. 2. 35. 2 Sa. 7. 11, 13, 27, 29. 1 Ki. 2. 24. 11. 38.
Ps. 127. 1.
[e] Ge. 24. 11. 29. 10. 1 Sa. 9. 11.

saying, [t] Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

CHAP. II.

AND there went [u] a man of the house of Levi, and took *to wife* a daughter of Levi.
2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and [v] when she saw him that he *was a* goodly *child*, she hid him three months.
3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid *it* in the flags by the river's brink.
4 And [x] his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.
5 ¶ And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash *herself* at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.
6 And when she had opened *it*, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This *is one* of the Hebrews' children.
7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?
8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.
9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give *thee* thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.
10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became [y] her son. And she called his name ‡ Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.
11 ¶ And it came to pass in those days, when [z] Moses was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: [a] and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.
12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that *there was* no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.
13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?
14 And he said, [b] Who made thee § a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.
15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a [c] well.
16 Now [d] the ‖ priest of Midian had seven daughters: [e] and they came and drew *water*, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

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17 And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and [a] watered their flock.

18 And when they came to [b] Reuel their father, he said, How *is it that* ye are come so soon to day?

19 And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew *water* enough *for us*, and watered the flock.

20 And he said unto his daughters, And where *is* he? why *is it that* ye have left the man? call him, that he may [d] eat bread.

21 And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses [e] Zipporah his daughter.

22 And she bare *him* a son, and he called his name [e] Gershom: [f] for he said, I have been [h] a stranger in a strange land.

23 ¶ And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel [i] sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and [k] their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.

24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his [m] covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

25 And God [n] looked upon the children of Israel, and God [†] had respect unto *them*.

CHAP. III.

NOW Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to [a] the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb.

2 And [f] the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this [g] great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called [a] unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I.

5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put [a] off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

6 Moreover he said, [p] I *am* the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for [c] he was afraid to look upon God.

7 ¶ And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for [c] I know their sorrows;

8 And [f] I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land [h] unto a good land and a large, unto a land [i] flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of [k] the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

10 Come [l] now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

11 ¶ And Moses said unto God, [m] Who *am* I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

12 And he said, [b] Certainly I will be with thee; and this *shall be* a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, *when* I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What *is* his name? what shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, [f] I AM hath sent me unto you.

15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this *is* [l] my name for ever, and this *is* my memorial unto all generations.

16 Go, and [m] gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, [p] I have surely visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt:

17 And I have said, [r] I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

18 And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath [m] met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

19 ¶ And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, [t] no, not by a mighty hand.

20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with [s] all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.

21 And [d] I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty:

22 But [d] every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put *them* upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and [f] ye shall spoil [§] the Egyptians.

CHAP. IV.

AND Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.

2 And the LORD said unto him, What *is* that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

5 That they may [m] believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of

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[a] Ge. 29. 10.
[b] Ge. 31. 3. De. 31. 23. Jos. 1. 5. Ru. 3. 31.
[c] Nu. 10. 29. called also *Jethro* or *Jether*, ch. 3. 1, &c.
[d] Ge. 31. 54. 43. 25.
[e] ch. 18. 2.
[f] Jno. 8. 58. 2 Co. 1. 20. He. 13. 8. Re. 1. 4.
[g] i. e. *a stranger here.*
[h] ch. 18. 3.
[i] Ac. 7. 29. He. 11. 13, 14
[k] Nu. 20. 16. De. 26. 7. Ps. 12. 5.
[l] ch. 22. 23, 27. Ge. 18. 20. De. 24. 15. Ja. 5. 4.
[m] Ps. 135. 13. Ho. 12. 5.
[n] ch. 4. 29.
[o] Ge. 15. 14. 46. 4.
[p] 1 Sa. 1. 11. 2 Sa. 16. 12. Lu. 1. 25.
[†] Lu. 1. 68.
[†] *I assent.*
[a] Ge. 15. 14, 16.
[s] 1 Ki. 19. 8.
[t] Is. 63. 9. Ac. 7. 30, 31.
[u] Nu. 22. 3, 15.
[v] Ps. 111. 2.
[‡] or, *but by strong hand.*
[w] De. 33. 16.
[y] ch. VII. XIII. De. 6. 22. Ne. 9. 10. Ps. 105. 27. 135. 9. Je. 32. 20. Ac. 7. 36.
[a] ch. 19. 12. Jos. 5. 15.
[a] Ps. 105. 46. Pr. 16. 7.
[b] Mar. 12. 26.
[c] 1 Ki. 19. 13. Ne. 9. 9. Ps. 105. 44. Is. 6. 1, 5.
[d] Ge. 15. 14.
[e] Ge. 18. 21.
[f] Job 27. 17. Pr. 13. 22. Eze. 39. 10.
[§] or, *Egypt.*
[g] Ge. 11. 5, 7. 18. 21.
[h] De. 1. 25. 8. 7. 9.
[i] Nu. 13. 27. De. 26. 9, 15. Je. 11. 5. 32. 22. Eze. 20. 6.
[k] Ge. 15. 18.
[l] Ps. 105. 26. Mi. 6. 4.
[m] 1 Sa. 18. 18. Is. 6. 5, 8. Je. 1. 6.
[n] ch. 19. 9.

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Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee

6 ¶ And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand *was* leprous [d] as snow.

7 And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again. And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, [e] it was turned again as his *other* flesh.

8 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.

9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour *it* upon the dry *land*: and [f] the water which thou takest out of the river ‡ shall become blood upon the dry *land*.

10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not [§] eloquent, neither ‖ heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but [g] I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

11 And the LORD said unto him, [h] Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?

12 Now therefore go, and I will be [i] with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

13 And he said, O my Lord, [k] send, I pray thee, by the hand *of him whom* thou [l] will send.

14 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, *Is* not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, [m] he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.

15 And [n] thou shalt speak unto him, and [o] put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and [p] will teach you what ye shall do.

16 And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, *even* he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and [q] thou shalt be to him instead of God.

17 And thou shalt take this [r] rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs.

18 ¶ And Moses went and returned to [t] Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which *are* in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace.

19 And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for [u] all the men are dead which sought thy life.

20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took [w] the rod of God in his hand.

21 And the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those [x] wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine hand: but [y] I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the people go.

22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, [z] Israel is my son, [a] *even* my firstborn:

23 And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, [b] I will slay thy son, *even* thy firstborn.

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[c] Nu. 22. 22.
[b] Ge. 17. 14.
[c] Jos. 5. 2, 3.
[d] or, *knife.*
† *made it touch.*
[d] Nu. 12. 10. 2 Ki. 5. 27.
[e] De. 32. 39. Nu. 12. 13, 14. 2 Ki. 5. 14. Mat. 8. 3.
[f] ver. 14.
[g] ch. 3. 1.
[h] ver. 15, 16.
[i] ver. 8, 9.
[k] ch. 3. 16.
[l] ch. 7. 19.
[m] ver. 16.
‡ *shall be and shall be.*
[n] ch. 3. 18.
§ *a man of words.*
[o] ch. 3. 16.
‖ *since yesterday, nor since the third day.*
[p] ch. 3. 7.
[q] Je. 1. 6.
[r] Ge. 24. 26. 1 Ch. 29. 20.
[t] Ps. 94. 9.
[u] Is. 50. 4. Mat. 10. 19. Lu. 21. 14, 15.
[w] ch. 10. 9.
[x] Jon. 1. 3.
[y] 2 Ki. 18. 35. Job 21. 15.
[z] or, *shouldest.*
[a] ch. 3. 19.
[b] 1 Sa. 10. 2, 3, 5.
[b] ch. 7. 1, 2.
[c] De. 18. 18. Is. 51. 16. Je. 1. 9.
[d] De. 5. 31.
[e] ch. 18. 19.
[f] ch. 1. 7, 9.
[g] ver. 2.
[h] Pr. 12. 10.
[t] *Jether.*
[i] Ps. 105. 41.
[k] ch. 2. 15, 23. Mat. 2. 20.
‡ *Let the work be heavy upon the men.*
[l] 2 Ki. 18. 20. Job 16. 3. Je. 48. 1, 2. Ep. 5. 6.
[m] ch. 17. 9. Nu. 20. 8, 9.
[n] ch. 3. 20.
[o] ch. 7. 3, 13. Is. 6. 10. Jno. 12. 40. Ro. 9. 18.
[p] Ho. 11. 1. Ro. 9. 4. 2 Co. 6. 18.
[q] Je. 31. 9. Ja. 1. 18.
§ *a matter of a day in his day.*
[r] ch. 11. 5.

24 ¶ And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD [c] met him, and sought to [b] kill him.

25 Then Zipporah took [c] a sharp [d] stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and †cast *it* at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband *art* thou to me.

26 So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband *thou art*, because of the circumcision.

27 ¶ And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness [f] to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in [g] the mount of God, and kissed him.

28 And Moses [h] told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him, and all the [i] signs which he had commanded him.

29 ¶ And Moses and Aaron [k] went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:

30 And [m] Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.

31 And the people [n] believed: and when they heard that the LORD had [o] visited the children of Israel, and that he [p] had looked upon their affliction, then [q] they bowed their heads and worshipped.

CHAP. V.

AND afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold [r] a feast unto me in the wilderness.

2 And Pharaoh said, [s] Who *is* the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, [t] neither will I let Israel go.

3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword.

4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.

5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now *are* [u] many, and ye make them rest from their burdens.

6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the [x] taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,

7 Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.

8 And the tale of the brick, which they did make heretofore, [y] ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish *ought* thereof: for they *be* idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go *and* sacrifice to our God.

9 ‡ Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain [z] words.

10 ¶ And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.

12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

13 And the taskmasters hasted *them*, saying, Fulfil your works, *your* [§] daily tasks, as when there was straw.

14 And the officers of the children of

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Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, *and* demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?

15 ¶ Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?

16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants *are* beaten; but the fault is in thine own people.

17 But he said, Ye *are* idle, [b] *ye are* idle: therefore ye say, Let us go *and* do sacrifice to the LORD.

18 Go therefore now, *and* work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see *that* they *were* in [d] evil case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish *ought* from your bricks of your daily task.

20 ¶ And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

21 And [f] they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour [†] to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

22 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou *so* evil entreated this people? why *is it that* thou hast sent me?

23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; [‡] neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.

CHAP. VI.

THEN the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand [a] shall he drive them out of his land.

2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I *am* [§] the LORD:

3 And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by *the name of* [‖] God Almighty, but by my name [‖] JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

4 And I have also established my covenant with them, [b] to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.

5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.

6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I *am* the LORD, and I [c] will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will [d] redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

7 And I will [e] take you to me for a people, and [f] I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did [‖] swear [g] to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I *am* the LORD.

9 ¶ And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for [*] anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.

10 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

11 Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.

12 And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, [*] who *am* of uncircumcised lips?

13 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

14 ¶ These *be* the heads of their fathers' houses: [‖] The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these *be* the families of Reuben.

15 And [‖] the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these *are* the families of Simeon.

16 ¶ And these *are* the names of [‖] the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi *were* an hundred thirty and seven years.

17 The [‖] sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their families.

18 And [‖] the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath *were* an hundred thirty and three years.

19 And [‖] the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these *are* the families of Levi according to their generations.

20 And [‖] Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram *were* an hundred and thirty and seven years.

21 ¶ And [‖] the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zithri.

22 And [‖] the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of [‖] Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bare him [‖] Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

24 And the [‖] sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these *are* the families of the Korhites.

25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him *one* of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and [‖] she bare him Phinehas: these *are* the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families.

26 These *are* that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their [‖] armies.

27 These *are* they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, [h] to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these *are* that Moses and Aaron.

28 ¶ And it came to pass on the day *when* the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt,

29 That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I *am* the LORD: Speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.

30 And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, [f] I *am* of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me?

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[*] *shortness, or, straitness.*

[a] ver. 30.
Je. 1. 6.
[b] Mat. 23. 8.
2 Th. 2. 10, 11
[c] Ge. 46. 9, &c.
1 Ch. 5. 3.
[d] De. 32. 36.
Ec. 4. 1.
[e] 1 Ch. 4. 24.
[f] ch. 6. 9.
[g] Nu. 3. 17.
1 Ch. 6. 1, 16.
[†] *to stink.*
Ge. 34. 30.
1 Sa. 13. 4.
27. 12.
2 Sa. 10. 6.
1 Ch. 19. 6.
[h] 1 Ch. 6. 17.
23. 7.
[i] Nu. 26. 57.
1 Ch. 6. 1, 16.
[k] 1 Ch. 6. 19.
23. 21.
[‡] *delivering thou hast not delivered.*
[l] ch. 3. 1, 2.
Nu. 26. 59.
[m] Nu. 16. 1.
1 Ch. 6. 37, 38
[n] ch. 11. 1.
12. 31, 39.
[o] Le. 10. 4.
Nu. 3. 30.
[§] or, *JEHOVAH.*
[p] Ru. 4. 19, 20.
1 Ch. 2. 10.
Mat. 1. 4.
[r] Ge. 17. 1.
35. 11.
43. 3.
[s] ch. 3. 14.
Ps. 68. 4.
83. 18.
Jno. 8. 58.
Re. 1. 4.
[t] Le. 10. 1.
Nu. 3. 2.
26. 60.
1 Ch. 6. 3.
24. 1.
[u] Nu. 26. 11.
[v] Ge. 17. 8.
28. 4.
[w] Nu. 25. 7, 11.
Jos. 24. 33.
[x] De. 26. 8.
Ps. 81. 6.
136. 11, 12.
[y] ch. 7. 4.
12. 17, 51.
Nu. 33. 1.
[z] De. 7. 8.
1 Ch. 17. 21.
Ne. 1. 10.
[a] ch. 32. 7.
33. 1.
Ps. 77. 20.
[b] De. 4. 20.
14. 2.
2 Sa. 7. 24.
[c] Ge. 17. 7, 8.
De. 29. 13.
Re. 21. 7.
[‖] *lift up my hand.*
Ge. 14. 22.
De. 32. 40.
[d] Ge. 15. 18.
26. 3.
28. 13.
35. 12.
[e] ch. 4. 10.

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CHAP. VII.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee [a] a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.

2 Thou [b] shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

3 And [c] I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and [d] multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.

4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, [e] that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, *and* my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

5 And the Egyptians shall [f] know that I *am* the LORD, when I [m] stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.

6 And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.

7 And Moses *was* [n] fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when they spake unto Pharaoh.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

9 When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, [p] Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalt say unto Aaron, [r] Take thy rod, and cast *it* before Pharaoh, *and* it shall become a serpent.

10 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Then Pharaoh also [s] called the wise men and [t] the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also [v] did in like manner with their enchantments.

12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; [x] as the LORD had said.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [y] Pharaoh's heart *is* hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.

15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and [z] the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt thou take in thine hand.

16 And thou shalt say unto him, [a] The LORD God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee, saying, *Let* my people go, [b] that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

17 Thus saith the LORD, In this [c] thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: behold, I will smite with the rod that *is* in mine hand upon the waters which *are* in the river, and [d] they shall be turned [e] to blood.

18 And the fish that *is* in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river.

19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and [m] stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their [o] pools of water, that they may become blood; and *that* there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in *vessels of* wood, and in *vessels of* stone.

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[a] ch. 17. 5.
[b] ch. 4. 16. Je. 1. 16.
[c] ch. 4. 15.
[d] Ps. 78. 44. 105. 28.
[e] ch. 4. 21.
[f] ver. 18.
[g] ch. 11. 9.
[h] ver. 11.
[i] ch. 10. 1. 11. 9.
[k] ver. 3.
[l] ch. 8. 22. 14. 4, 18. Ps. 9. 16.
[m] ch. 3. 20.
[n] De. 29. 5. 31. 2. 34. 7. Ac. 7. 23, 30.
[o] ch. 3. 12, 18
[p] Is. 7. 11. Jno. 2. 18. 6. 30.
[r] ch. 4. 2, 17.
[s] ch. 7. 14. 9. 2.
[t] Ro. 16 13.
[u] Ps. 105. 30.
[v] Ge. 41. 8.
[x] or, *dough.*
[y] 2 Ti. 3. 8.
[z] ver. 23.
[a] ch. 5. 7, 18
[b] ch. 7. 19.
[c] ch. 4. 21.
[d] Ps. 78. 45. 105. 30.
[e] ch. 8. 15. 10. 1, 20. 27.
[d] ch. 7. 11.
[e] ch. 4. 2. 3.
[f] ch. 9. 23. 10. 17. Nu. 21. 7. 1 Ki. 13. 6. Ac. 8. 24.
[g] ch. 3. 18.
[†] or, *Have this honour over me, &c.*
[h] ch. 3. 12, 18. 5. 1, 3.
[‡] or, *against when.*
[§] *to cut off.*
[i] ver. 5. ch. 5. 2.
[||] or, *Against to morrow.*
[k] ch. 4. 9.
[l] Re. 16. 4. 6.
[m] ch. 9. 14. De. 33. 26. 2 Sa. 7. 22. 1 Ch. 17. 20. Ps. 86. 8. Is. 46. 9. Je. 10. 6, 7.
[n] ch. 8. 5, 6, 16. 9. 22. 10. 12, 21. 14. 21, 26.
[o] ver. 20. ch. 9. 33. 10. 18. 32. 11. Ja. 5. 16, 18.
gathering of their waters.

20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he [g] lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that *were* in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the [d] waters that *were* in the river were turned to blood.

21 And the fish that *was* in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians [f] could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

22 And [h] the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; [i] as the LORD had said.

23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.

24 And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

CHAP. VIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, [e] that they may serve me

2 And if thou [f] refuse to let *them* go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with [g] frogs:

3 And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into [h] thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy [k] kneadingtroughs:

4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, [l] Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.

6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and [k] the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

7 And [d] the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8 ¶ Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, [f] Intreat the LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD.

9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, [†] Glory over me: [‡] when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, [§] to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may remain in the river only?

10 And he said, [‖] To morrow. And he said, *Be it* according to thy word: that thou mayest know that [m] *there is* none like unto the LORD our God.

11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.

12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses [o] cried unto the LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.

13 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.

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14 And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank.

15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was [c] respite, [b] he hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and *f* it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

18 And [g] the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they [i] could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This *is* [k] the finger of God: and Pharaoh's [l] heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

20 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [m] Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [o] Let my people go, that they may serve me.

21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send [p] swarms *of flies* upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms *of flies*, and also the ground whereon they *are*.

22 And [q] I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms *of flies* shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I *am* the LORD in the midst of the earth.

23 And I will put [†] a division between my people and thy people: [‡] to morrow shall this sign be.

24 And the LORD did so; and [r] there came a grievous swarm *of flies* into the house of Pharaoh, and [s] *into* his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was [§] corrupted by reason of the swarm *of flies*.

25 ¶ And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land.

26 And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice [t] the abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?

27 We will go [u] three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as [v] he shall command us.

28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: [h] intreat *for* me.

29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat the LORD that the swarms *of flies* may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh [i] deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the LORD.

30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and [m] intreated the LORD.

31 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms *of flies* from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

32 And Pharaoh [n] hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

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[a] Ex. 8. 11. Is. 26. 10.
[b] ch. 7. 14. Re. 16. 9.
[c] ch. 8. 1.
[d] ch. 8. 2.
[e] ch. 7. 4.
[f] Ps. 105. 31.
[g] ch. 8. 22.
[h] ch. 7. 11.
[i] Lu. 10. 18. 2 Ti. 3. 8, 9.
[k] 1 Sa. 6. 3, 9. Ps. 8. 3. Mat. 12. 28. Lu. 11. 20.
[l] ver. 15.
[m] Ps. 78. 50.
[n] ch. 7. 15. Ge. 32. 3. Jos. 7. 16. Pr. 24. 30. 34. Re. 13. 11. Ep. 5. 14. 1 Th. 5. 6, 8.
[o] ver. 1.
[p] ch. 7. 14. 8. 32.
[q] or, *a mixture of noisome beasts, &c.*
[r] Job 2. 7. Re. 16. 2.
[s] ch. 10. 23. 11. 6, 7. 12. 13.
[†] *a redemption.*
[‡] De. 28. 27.
[§] or, *by the mortrain.*
[t] ch. 8. 18, 19. Is. 47. 12, 14. 2 Ti. 3. 9.
[u] Ps. 78. 45. 105. 31.
[v] or, *destroyed.*
[w] Ge. 43. 32. 46. 34. De. 7. 25, 26. 12. 31.
[x] De. 32. 20. 1 Sa. 4. 8. Je. 19. 8. Re. 22. 18.
[y] ch. 8. 10.
[z] ch. 3. 18.
[a] ch. 3. 12.
[b] ch. 3. 20.
[c] 2 Sa. 24. 15.
[d] ver. 8.
[e] ch. 9. 28. 1 Ki. 13. 6. Ac. 8. 24.
[f] ch. 14. 17. Pr. 16. 4. Ro. 9. 17. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[‖] *made thee stand.*
[h] Job 9. 4. 15. 25, 26.
[i] ver. 15. Ps. 78. 36. Je. 42. 20.
[m] ver. 12.
[n] ch. 4. 21. Ro. 2. 5. Ja. 1. 13, 14.

CHAP. IX.

THEN the LORD said unto Moses, [a] Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

2 For if thou [d] refuse to let *them* go, and wilt hold them still,

3 Behold, the [e] hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which *is* in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: *there shall be* a very grievous murrain.

4 And [f] the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all *that is* the children's of Israel.

5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD shall do this thing in the land.

6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, [m] and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. And [p] the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.

8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be [r] a boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.

10 And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a [s] boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast.

11 And the [u] magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he [x] hearkened not unto them; [y] as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

13 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [a] Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

14 For I will at this time send all [b] my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; [c] that thou mayest know that *there is* none like me in all the earth.

15 For now I will [f] stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and [g] thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16 And in very deed for [i] this *cause* have I [‖] raised thee up, *for* to shew *in* thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.

17 As yet [k] exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?

18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

19 Send therefore now, *and* gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; *for upon* every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.

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20 He that [a] feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

21 And he that [b] regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be [c] hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.

23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and [d] the LORD sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that *was* in the field, both man and beast; and the hail [e] smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.

26 Only [f] in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel *were*, was there no hail.

27 ¶ And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, [g] I have sinned this time: [h] the LORD *is* righteous, and I and my people *are* wicked.

28 Intreat [i] the LORD (for *it is* enough) that there be no *more* [k] mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will [l] spread abroad my hands unto the LORD; *and* the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the [m] earth *is* the LORD's.

30 But as for thee and thy servants, [n] I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.

31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: [o] for the barley *was* in the ear, and the flax *was* boiled.

32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they *were* [p] not grown up.

33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and [q] spread abroad his hands unto the LORD: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

35 And [r] the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken [s] by Moses.

CHAP. X.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: [a] for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, [b] that I might shew these my signs before him:

2 And that [c] thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I *am* the LORD.

3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to [d] humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me.

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[a] Pr. 22. 3, 4.
[b] Pr. 30. 27. Re. 9. 3.
[c] *set not his heart unto.* ch. 7. 23.
† *eye*, ver. 15.
[d] ch. 9. 32. Joel 1. 4. 2. 25.
[e] Re. 16. 21.
[f] ch. 8. 3, 21.
[g] Jos. 10. 11. Ps. 18. 13. 105. 32. 148. 8. Is. 30. 30. Eze. 38. 22. Re. 8. 7.
[h] ch. 23. 33. Jos. 23. 13. 1 Sa. 18. 21. Pr. 29. 6. Ec. 7. 26. 1 Co. 7. 35.
[i] Ps. 105. 33.
‡ *who, and who, &c.*
[k] ch. 12. 13. Is. 32. 18, 19.
[l] ch. 10. 16.
[m] ch. 5. 1.
[n] 2 Ch. 12. 6. Ps. 129. 4. 145. 17. La. 1. 18. Da. 9. 14.
[o] ch. 8. 8, 28. 10. 17. Ac. 8. 24.
§ *voices of God.* Ps. 29. 3, 4.
[p] 1 Ki. 8. 22, 38. Ps. 143. 6. Is. 1. 15.
[q] ch. 7. 19.
[r] Ps. 34. 1. 1 Co. 10. 26, 28.
[s] Is. 26. 10.
[t] ver. 4, 5.
[u] Ru. 1. 22. 2. 23.
|| *hidden*, or, dark.
[v] Ps. 78. 26. 107. 25.
[w] ch. 8. 12.
[x] Ps. 78. 46.
[y] Joel 2. 2.
[z] ver. 5.
[a] Ps. 105. 35.
[b] ch. 4. 21.
[c] *by the hand of Moses.* ch. 4. 13.
† *hastened to call.*
[d] ch. 7. 14.
[e] ch. 9. 27.
[f] ch. 7. 4.
[g] De. 4. 9. Ps. 44. 1. 71. 18. 78. 5, &c. Joe. 1. 3.
[h] 1 Ki. 13. 6. Is. 26. 16.
[i] ch. 8. 30.
‡ *hastened.*
[k] Joe. 1. 2. 20.
[l] 1 Ki. 21. 29. 2 Ch. 7. 14. 34. 27. Job 42. 6. Je. 13. 18. Ja. 4. 10. 1 Pe. 5. 6.

4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will I bring the [f] locusts into thy coast:

5 And they shall cover the † face of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth: and [g] they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field:

6 And they [h] shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a [i] snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?

8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve the LORD your God: *but* ‡ who *are* they that shall go?

9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for [k] we *must hold* a feast unto the LORD.

10 And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look *to it;* for evil is before you.

11 Not so: go now ye *that are* men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [l] Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and [m] eat every herb of the land, *even* all that the hail hath left.

13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all *that* night; *and* when it was morning, [n] the east wind brought the locusts.

14 And [o] the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous *were they;* [p] before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such.

15 For they [q] covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did [r] eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

16 ¶ Then Pharaoh † called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, [s] I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

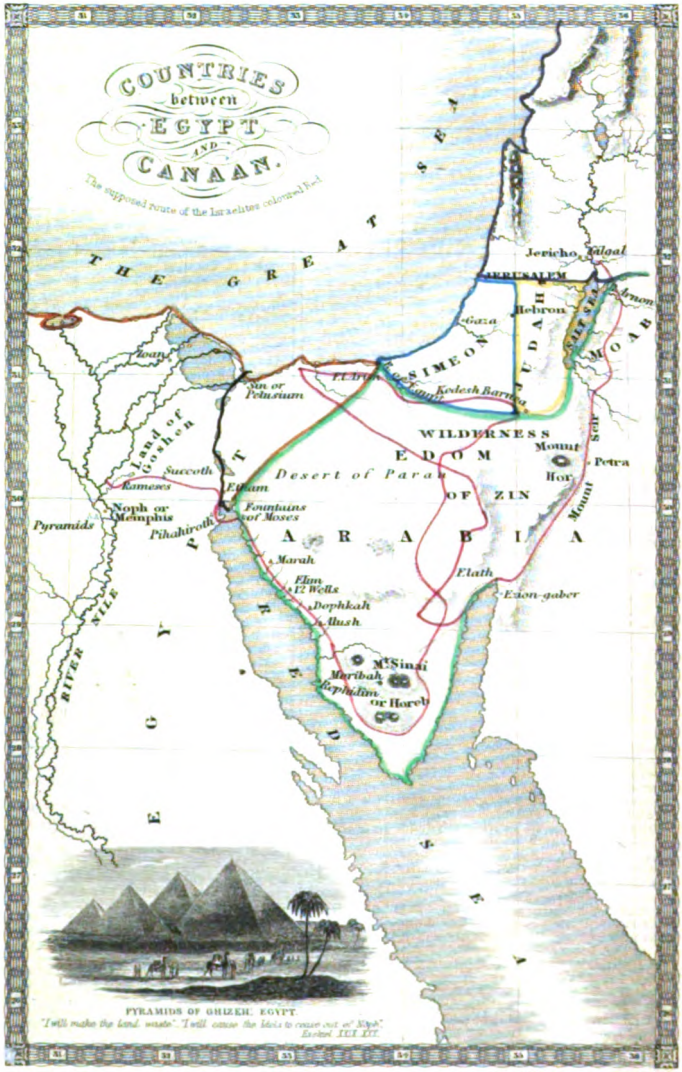
17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and [t] intreat the LORD your God, that he may take away from me this death only.

18 And he [u] went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.

19 And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them [v] into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt.

20 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's

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heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

21 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [a] Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, [a] even darkness *which* may be felt.

22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a [b] thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: [c] but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

24 ¶ And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and [d] said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your [f] little ones also go with you.

25 And Moses said, Thou must give [g] us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God.

26 Our cattle also shall go [h] with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither.

27 ¶ But the LORD [i] hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in *that* day thou seest my face thou shalt die.

29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, [m] I will see thy face again no more.

CHAP. XI.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague *more* upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: [p] when he shall let *you* go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether.

2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, [r] jewels of silver, and jewels of gold.

3 And [s] the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man [t] Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, [u] About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt:

5 And [v] all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

6 And [x] there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

7 But against any of the children of Israel [b] shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

8 And [d] all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people [z] that follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in [a] a great anger.

9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh [c] shall not hearken unto you; that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.

10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: [f] and the LORD

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[a] ch. 9. 22.
[a] *that* one *may feel darkness.*
[b] Ps. 35. 6. 105. 28. Pr. 4. 19. Ec. 2. 14. 6. 4. Is. 8. 22.
[c] ch. 13. 4. De. 16. 1.
[d] ch. 8. 23.
[z] or, *kid.*
[e] ver. 8.
[f] ver. 10.
[g] *into our hands.*
[h] Le. 22. 19. 21. Mal. 1. 8. 14. He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[i] Ho. 5. 6.
[j] *son of a year.* Le. 23. 12.
[k] Le. 23. 5. Nu. 9. 3. 28. 16.
[l] ver. 20. ch. 4. 21. 14. 4, 8.
[m] *between the two evenings.* ch. 16. 12.
[n] ch. 34. 25. Nu. 9. 11. 1 Co. 5. 8.
[o] He. 11. 27.
[p] De. 16. 7.
[q] ch. 23. 18. 34. 25.
[r] ch. 12. 35.
[s] ch 3. 21. 12. 36. Ps. 105. 37.
[t] 2 Sa. 7. 9. Ec. 9. 4.
[u] Nu. 33. 4.
[v] or, *princes.* ch. 21. 6. 22. 29. Ps. 82. 1, 6. Jno. 10. 34.
[x] ch. 12. 12. 23. 29. Am. 4. 10.
[y] *for a destruction.* Le. 23. 4, 5. 2 Ki. 23. 21.
[z] Am. 5. 17.
[a] ch. 23. 15. 34. 18. Le. 23. 5, 6. Nu. 28. 17. De. 16. 3, 8.
[b] Jos. 10. 21.
[c] Ge. 17. 14.
[d] ch. 12. 33.
[z] *that is at thy feet.* Ju. 4. 10. 8. 5. 1 Ki. 20. 10. 2 Ki. 3. 9.
[a] *soul.*
[a] *heat of anger.*
[b] ch. 3. 19.
[c] Ro. 2. 5. 9. 22.
[d] Le 23. 5.

hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

CHAP. XII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

2 This [e] month *shall be* unto you the beginning of months: it *shall be* the first month of the year to you.

3 ¶ Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth *day* of this month they shall take to them every man a [†] lamb, according to the house of *their* fathers, a lamb for an house:

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take *it* according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be [f] without blemish, a male [§] of the first year: ye shall take *it* out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And ye shall keep it up until the [i] fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it [l] in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike *it* on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and [l] unleavened bread; *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it.

9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but [n] roast *with* fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And [o] ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 ¶ And thus shall ye eat it; *with* your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it *is* the LORD's passover.

12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and [p] against all the [q] gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD.

13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are:* and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you [†] to destroy *you,* when I smite the land of Egypt.

14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a [y] feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

15 Seven [z] days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, [a] that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

16 And in the first day *there shall be* an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save *that* which every [§] man must eat, that only may be done of you.

17 And ye shall observe *the feast of* unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

18 ¶ In [b] the first *month,* on the four

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teenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

19 Seven [a] days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, *f* even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

21 ¶ Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, [g] Draw out and take you a [†] lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.

22 And [h] ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip *it* in the blood that *is* in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that *is* in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and [i] will not suffer [m] the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite *you*.

24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you, [n] according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service.

26 And [r] it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service?

27 That ye shall say, It *is* the sacrifice of the LORD'S passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people [s] bowed the head and worshipped.

28 And the children of Israel went away, and [t] did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

29 ¶ And it came to pass, that at midnight [u] the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, [x] from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the [‖] dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a [b] great cry in Egypt; for *there was* not a house where *there was* not one dead.

31 ¶ And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, *and* get you forth from among my people, [c] both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said.

32 Also [d] take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and [e] bless me also.

33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, [f] We *be* all dead *men*.

34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their [†] kneading-troughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment:

36 And [m] the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them *such things as* B. C. 1491.

[a] Ge. 15. 14. Ps. 105. 37.
[b] Nu. 33. 3, 5.
[c] ch. 12. 15. 34. 18.
[d] Ge. 47. 11.
[e] ch. 38. 26. Ge. 12. 2. 46. 3. Nu. 1. 46. 11. 21.
[f] Nu. 9. 13.
[g] *a great mixture.* Nu. 11. 4.
[h] ver. 2. Nu. 9. 4. Jos. 5. 10. 2 Ki. 23. 21. Ezr. 6. 20. Mat. 26. 18.
[†] or, *kid.*
[i] He. 11. 28. Ge. 15. 13. Ac. 7. 6. Ga. 3. 17.
[‡] *a night of observations.*
[k] De. 16. 6.
[l] Eze. 9. 6. Re. 7. 3. 9. 4.
[m] 2 Sa. 24. 16. 1 Co. 10. 10.
[n] Nu. 9. 14.
[o] ch. 3. 8, 17.
[p] Ge. 17. 12, 13.
[q] ch. 13. 8, 14. De. 32. 7. Jos. 4. 6. Ps. 78. 6.
[r] Le. 23. 10.
[s] Jno. 19. 33, 36.
[t] ver. 6. Nu. 9. 13.
[§] *do so.*
[u] ch. 4. 31.
[x] He. 11. 28.
[y] Nu. 8. 17. 33. 4. Ps. 78. 51. 105. 36. 135. 8. 136. 10.
[z] ch. 4. 23.
[a] Nu. 15. 15, 16. Ga. 3. 28.
[‖] *house of the pit.*
[b] Pr. 21. 13. Am. 5. 17. Ja. 2. 13.
[c] ch. 6. 26.
[d] ch. 10. 9.
[e] ch. 10. 24.
[f] ch. 22. 19, 20. Nu. 3. 13. 8. 16, 17. De. 15. 19. Lu. 2. 23.
[g] Ge. 27. 34.
[h] Ge. 20. 3.
[i] ch. 12. 42. De. 16. 3.
[*] *servants.*
[†] or, *dough.*
[k] ch. 8. 3.
[l] ch. 6. 1.
[m] ch. 23. 15. 34. 18. De. 16. 1.
[n] ch. 3. 21. 11. 3.
[o] ch. 6. 8.

they required. And [o] they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 ¶ And [h] the children of Israel journeyed from [d] Rameses to Succoth, about [*] six hundred thousand on foot *that were* men, beside children.

38 And [e] a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, *even* very much cattle.

39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.

40 ¶ Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, *was* [i] four hundred and thirty years.

41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

42 It *is* [‡] a night [k] to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this *is* that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

43 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This *is* [n] the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof:

44 But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast [p] circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.

45 A [q] foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.

46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; [r] neither shall ye break a bone thereof.

47 All [s] the congregation of Israel shall [§] keep it.

48 And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

49 One [t] law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.

50 Thus did all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, *that* the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt [u] by their armies.

CHAP. XIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Sanctify [f] unto me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children of Israel, *both* of man and of beast: it *is* mine.

3 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, [i] Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of [*] bondage; for [k] by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this *place*: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.

4 This [l] day came ye out in the month Abib.

5 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he [m] sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land

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flowing with milk and honey, [a] that thou shalt keep this service in this month.

6 Seven [d] days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day *shall be* a feast to the LORD.

7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.

8 ¶ And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, *This is done* because of that *which* the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt.

9 And it shall be for [i] a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and *for* a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth: for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt.

10 Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year.

11 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, as he sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee,

12 That [k] thou shalt [*] set apart unto the LORD all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males *shall be* the LORD's.

13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a [l] lamb; and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

14 ¶ And [e] it shall be when thy son asketh thee [‡] in time to come, saying, What *is this?* that thou shalt say unto him, [f] By strength of hand the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage:

15 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that [g] the LORD slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast: therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all that openeth the matrix, being males; but all the firstborn of my children I redeem.

16 And it shall be for [m] a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not *through* the way of the land of the Philistines, although that *was* near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people [n] repent when they see war, and [p] they return to Egypt:

18 But God [h] led the people about, *through* the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up [‖] harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, [q] God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

20 ¶ And [r] they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

21 And [s] the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, *from* before the people.

CHAP. XIV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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[a] ch. 12. 25, 26.
[b] ch. 13. 18.
[c] Nu. 33. 7.
[d] ch. 12. 15, 16.
[e] Je. 44. 1.
[f] Ps. 71. 11.
[g] Ro. 9. 17, 22.
[h] ch. 7. 5.
[i] Nu. 15. 39. De. 11. 18. Pr. 1. 9. Is. 49. 16. Je. 22. 24. Mat. 23. 5.
[k] Ps. 105. 25.
[l] ch. 34. 19. Le. 27. 26. Nu. 18. 15. De. 15. 19. Eze. 44. 30.
[*] *cause to pass over.*
[m] Nu. 33. 3.
[n] ch. 15. 9. Jos. 24. 6.
[‡] or, *tid.*
[o] De. 6. 20. Jos. 4. 6, 21.
[‡] *to morrow.*
[p] ver. 3.
[q] Ps. 34. 17. 107. 6.
[r] Ps. 105. 7, 8.
[s] ch. 12. 29.
[t] ch. 5. 21. 6. 9.
[u] ver. 9.
[v] 2 Ch. 20. 15, 17. Is. 41. 10, 13, 14.
[§] or, *for whereas ye have seen the Egyptians to day, &c.*
[x] ch. 14. 11, 12. Nu. 14. 1, 4.
[y] De. 17. 16.
[z] Jos. 10. 14, 42. 23. 3. 2 Ch. 20. 29. Ne. 4. 20. Is. 31. 4.
[a] Is. 30. 15.
[b] ch. 14. 2. Nu. 33. 6, &c.
[‖] or, *by five in a rank.*
[c] ch. 7. 19.
[d] Ge. 50. 25. Jos. 24. 32. Ac. 7. 16.
[e] ch. 7. 3.
[f] Nu. 33. 6.
[g] ver. 4.
[h] ch. 40. 38. Nu. 9. 15. 10. 34. De. 1. 33. Ne. 9. 12, 19. Ps. 99. 7. 105. 39. Is. 4. 5. 1 Co. 10. 1.
[i] Nu. 20. 16. Is. 63. 9.
[k] Is. 8. 14. 2 Co. 4. 3.

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, [h] that they turn and encamp before [x] Pihahiroth, between [y] Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, [f] They *are* entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.

4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I [g] will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; [h] that the Egyptians may know that I *am* the LORD. And they did so.

5 ¶ And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and [k] the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?

6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and [m] the children of Israel went out with an high hand.

9 But the [n] Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses *and* chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and [o] overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

10 ¶ And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel [p] cried out unto the LORD.

11 And [r] they said unto Moses, Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?

12 *Is it* [t] not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For *it had been* better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

13 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, [v] Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: [§] for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

14 The [x] LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall [a] hold your peace.

15 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:

16 But [b] lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.

17 And I, behold, I will [c] harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will [d] get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

19 ¶ And the angel of God, [e] which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and [k] it was a cloud and darkness *to them*, but it

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gave light by night *to these:* so that the one came not near the other all the night.

21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east wind all that night, and [c] made the sea dry *land*, and the waters were [d] divided.

22 And [e] the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry *ground:* and the waters were [f] a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

23 ¶ And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, *even* all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch [g] the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,

25 And took off their chariot wheels, [h] that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

26 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea [i] returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD [j] overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

28 And [k] the waters returned, and [l] covered the chariots, and the horsemen, *and* all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.

29 But [m] the children of Israel walked upon dry *land* in the midst of the sea; and the waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel [n] saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

31 And Israel saw that great [o] work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and [p] believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.

CHAP. XV.

THEN sang [q] Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

2 The LORD *is* my strength and [r] *my* song, and he is become my salvation: he *is* my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I [s] will exalt him.

3 The LORD *is* a man of [t] war: the LORD *is* [u] his name.

4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

5 The depths have covered them: [v] they sank into the bottom as a stone.

6 Thy [w] right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

7 And in the greatness of thine [x] excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, *which* consumed them [y] as stubble.

8 And [z] with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods

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[a] Ju. 5. 20.
[b] Is. 63. 12. Lu. 11. 22.
[c] Ps. 66. 6.
[d] or, *repaseses*
[e] Jos. 3. 16.
[f] Ne. 9. 11. Ps. 74. 13. 106. 9. 114. 3.
[g] Ps. 147. 18.
[h] Nu. 33. 8. Is. 63. 13. 1 Co. 10. 1. He. 11. 29.
[i] Hab. 3. 10.
[j] 1 Ki. 8. 23. Je. 49. 19. or, *mighty ones?*
[k] Is. 5. 3.
[l] Ps. 77. 14.
[m] Is. 63. 12, 13. Je. 2. 6.
[n] Ps. 77. 17–20.
[o] or, *and made them to go heavily.*
[p] Nu. 22. 3.
[q] Jos. 5. 1.
[r] De. 2. 25. 11. 25. Jos. 2. 9.
[s] 1 Sa. 25. 37.
[t] 2 Sa. 7. 23. Is. 43. 1, 3. Tit. 2. 14. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[u] Jos. 4. 18.
[v] Ps. 80. 8.
[w] *shook off.* De. 11. 4. Ps. 78. 53. Ne. 9. 11. He. 11. 29.
[x] Hab. 3. 8, 13.
[y] Ps. 106. 11.
[z] Is. 57. 15.
[a] Ps. 52. 5, 7. Nu. 25. 29.
[b] Ps. 58. 10. 59. 10 *hand.*
[c] Jno. 2. 11. 11. 45.
[d] Ge. 14. 7.
[e] Ju. 5. 1. 2 Sa. 22. 1.
[f] Nu. 33. 8.
[g] i. e. *bitterness.* Ru. 1. 20.
[h] Ps. 20. 7.
[i] De. 10. 21. Ps. 22. 3. 59. 17. 109. 1. Hab. 3. 18, 19.
[k] ch. 17. 3.
[l] Ps. 50. 15.
[m] 2 Sa. 22. 47. Is. 25. 1.
[n] 2 Ki. 4. 41.
[o] Ps. 24. 8. Re. 19. 11.
[p] Ps. 83. 18.
[q] Ju. 5. 22. Ps. 68. 10.
[r] De. 7. 12.
[s] Ne. 9. 11.
[t] Ps. 118. 15, 16
[u] De. 28. 27.
[v] De. 33. 26.
[w] Ps. 106. 3. 147. 3.
[x] Is. 5. 24. 47. 14.
[y] Job 4. 9. 2 Th. 2. 8.

stood upright as an heap, *and* the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

9 The [a] enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will [b] divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall [c] destroy them.

10 Thou didst [d] blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

11 Who [e] *is* like unto thee, O LORD, among the [f] gods? who *is* like thee, [g] glorious in holiness, fearful *in* praises, [h] doing wonders?

12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

13 Thou in thy mercy hast [i] led forth the people *which* thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided *them* in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.

14 The people shall hear, *and* be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; [m] the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; [n] all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

16 Fear [o] and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine arm they shall be *as* still [p] as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, [q] *which* thou hast purchased.

17 Thou shalt bring them in, and [r] plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, *in* the place, O LORD, *which* thou hast made for thee to dwell in, *in* the Sanctuary, O Lord, *which* thy hands have established.

18 The [s] LORD shall reign for ever and ever.

19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry *land* in the midst of the sea.

20 ¶ And Miriam the prophetess, [t] the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of [u] Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.

23 ¶ And when they came to [v] Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they *were* bitter: therefore the name of it was called [w] Marah.

24 And the people [x] murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?

25 And he [y] cried unto the LORD; and the LORD shewed him a tree, [z] *which* when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there [a] he proved them,

26 And said, [b] If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these [c] diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I [d] am the LORD [e] that healeth thee.

27 ¶ And they came to Elim, where *were* twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters.

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CHAP. XVI.

AND they took [a] their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of [b] Sin, which *is* between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel [c] murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

3 And the children of Israel said unto them, [d] Would to God we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, [e] when we sat by the flesh pots, *and* when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

4 ¶ Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain [f] bread from heaven [g] for you; and the people shall go out and gather [h] a certain rate every day, that I may [i] prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no.

5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare *that* which they bring in; and [k] it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, [l] then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:

7 And in the morning, then ye shall see [m] the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD: and [n] what *are* we, that ye murmur against us?

8 And Moses said, *This shall be*, when the LORD shall give you in the evening [o] flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that [p] the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what *are* we? your murmurings *are* not against us, but [q] against the LORD.

9 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before the LORD: for he hath heard your murmurings.

10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD [r] appeared in the cloud.

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 I [s] have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, [t] At even ye shall eat flesh, and [u] in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD your God.

13 And it came to pass, that at even [v] the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning [w] the dew lay round about the host.

14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness *there lay* [x] a small round thing, *as* small as the hoarfrost on the ground.

15 And when the children of Israel saw *it*, they said one to another, † It is manna: for they wist not what it *was*. And Moses said unto them, [y] This *is* the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat.

16 ¶ This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating, [z] an omer † for every man, *according to* the number of your ‡ persons; take ye every man for *them* which *are* in his tents.

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[a] Nu. 33. 9. 11.
[b] Exo. 30. 15.
[c] 2 Co. v. 15.
[d] 1 Co. 10. 10.
[e] ch. 29. 7. Le. 19. 12. De. 23. 56. La. 4. 9. Ac. 26. 29. 1 Co. 4. 8. 2 Co. 11. 1.
[f] Nu. 11. 4, 5.
[g] Jno. 6. 31, 32.
[h] *the portion of a day in his day.* Pr. 30. 8. Mat. 6. 11.
[i] ch. 15. 25.
[k] ch. 20. 8. 31. 15. 35. 2. Ge. 2. 2. Le. 23. 3.
[l] Le. 23. 21.
[m] Nu. 16. 28. 30. Is. 63. 11, 12.
[n] ver. 20.
[o] Is. 35. 2. 40. 2. Jno. 11. 4, 40.
[p] Nu. 16. 11.
[q] ch. 20. 9, 16.
[r] Nu. 14. 27. Jno. 6. 41. 43.
[s] Lu. 10. 16.
[t] 2 Ki. 17. 14. Ps. 78. 10, 22. 106. 12.
[u] ch. 13. 21. Nu. 19. 19. 1 Ki. 8. 10, 11. Mat. 17. 5.
[v] Nu. 11. 7, 8.
[w] Mat. 9. 4.
[x] ver. 6.
[y] ver. 7.
[z] He. 9. 4.
[a] Nu. 11. 31. Ps. 78. 27, 28. 105. 40.
[b] Nu. 11. 9.
[c] ch. 25. 16, 21. 40. 20. Nu. 17. 10. De. 10. 5. 1 Ki. 8. 9.
[d] Nu. 11. 7. De. 8. 3. Ne. 9. 15. Ps. 78. 24.
[e] Nu. 33. 38. De. 8. 2, 3. Ne. 9. 20, 21. Jno. 6. 31, 49.
[f] Jos. 5. 12. Ne. 9. 15.
† or, *What is this?* or, *It is a portion*
[g] Pr. 9. 5. Jno. 6. 31, 49, 58. 1 Co. 10. 3.
[h] ver. 36.
‡ *by the poll*, or, *head.*
[i] ch. 16. 1. Nu. 33. 12, 14.
§ *souls.*

17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less.

18 And when they did mete *it* with an omer, [a] he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating.

19 And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning.

20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them.

21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

22 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for one *man*: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.

23 And he said unto them, This *is that* which the LORD hath said, To morrow *is* [b] the rest of the holy sabbath unto the LORD: bake *that* which ye will bake *to day*, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.

24 And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not [c] stink, neither was there any worm therein.

25 And Moses said, Eat that to day; for to day *is* a sabbath unto the LORD: to day ye shall not find it in the field.

26 Six [d] days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, *which is* the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

27 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* there went out *some* of the people on the seventh day for to gather, and they found none.

28 And the LORD said unto Moses, How long [e] refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws?

29 See, for that the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day.

30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and [f] it *was* like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it *was* like wafers *made* with honey.

32 ¶ And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

33 And Moses said unto Aaron, [g] Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before the LORD, to be kept for your generations.

34 As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up [h] before the Testimony, to be kept.

35 And the children of Israel did eat manna [i] forty years, [j] until they came to a land inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.

36 Now an omer *is* the tenth *part* of an ephah.

CHAP. XVII.

AND [k] all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, after their journeys, according to the commandment of the LORD, and

[a] ch. 16. 1. Nu. 33. 12, 14.
[b] Ge. 2. 2. Le. 23. 3. He. 4. 4, 9.
[c] ver. 20.
[d] ch. 20. 9. Le. 23. 3. Lu. 13. 14.
[e] Nu. 14. 11, 27. Ps. 78. 22. 106. 24. He. 3. 18, 19.
[f] ver. 15.
[g] He. 9. 4.
[h] ch. 25. 16, 21. 40. 20. Nu. 17. 10. De. 10. 5. 1 Ki. 8. 9.
[i] Jos. 5. 6. Ne. 9. 21. Ps. 78. 24. 105. 40.
[j] Nu. 14. 33. 34. 32. 13. De. 2. 7. Jos. 5. 6.
[k] ch. 19. 1. Nu. 33. 1, 2.

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pitched in Rephidim: and *there was* no water for the people to drink.

2 Wherefore [a] the people did chide with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ye [b] tempt the LORD?

3 And the people thirsted there for water; and the people [c] murmured against Moses, and said, Wherefore *is* this *that* thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?

4 And Moses [d] cried unto the LORD, saying, What shall I do unto this people? they be almost ready to [e] stone me.

5 And the LORD said unto Moses, [f] Go on before the people, and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith [g] thou smotest the river, take in thine hand, and go.

6 Behold, I [h] will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

7 And he called the name of the place ‖ Massah, [i] and § Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not?

8 ¶ Then [j] came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

9 And Moses said unto [k] Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with [l] the rod of God in mine hand.

10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to pass, when Moses [m] held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

12 But Moses' hands *were* heavy; and they took a stone, and put *it* under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 And the LORD said unto Moses, [n] Write this *for* a memorial in a book, and rehearse *it* in the ears of Joshua: for [o] I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it [p] Jehovah-nissi:

16 For he said, ‡ Because § the LORD hath sworn *that* the LORD *will have* war with Amalek from generation to generation.

CHAP. XVIII.

WHEN Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that [a] God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, *and* that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt;

2 Then Jethro, Moses' father in law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her back,

3 And her two sons; of which the name of the one *was* ‖ Gershom; for he said, I have been an alien in a strange land:

4 And the name of the other *was* [b] Eliezer; for the God of my father, *said he*, *was* mine help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:

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[a] Nu. 20. 3, 4.
[b] ch. 3. 1, 12. Ps. 78. 18, 41. Is. 7. 12. Mat. 4. 7. 1 Co. 10. 9.
[c] 1 Ki. 2. 19.
[d] ch. 16. 2.
[e] *peace.* Ge. 43. 27. 2 Sa. 11. 7.
[f] ch. 14. 15.
[g] 1 Sa. 30. 6. Jno. 8. 59. 10. 31.
† *foundations.* Ge. 44. 34. Nu. 20. 14.
[h] Eze. 2. 6.
[i] Nu. 20. 8.
[k] Nu. 20. 10, 11 Ps. 78. 15, 20. 105. 41. 114. 8. 1 Co. 10. 4.
[l] Lu. 1. 68.
[m] 2 Ch. 2. 5. Ps. 135. 5.
‡ i. e. *temptation.*
[n] Nu. 20. 13. Ps. 81. 7. 95. 8. He. 3. 8.
§ i.e. *chiding*, or, *strife.*
[o] 1 Sa. 2. 3. Job 10. 11, 12. Ps. 31. 23.
[p] Ge. 35. 12. Nu. 24. 20.
¶ 1 Ch. 23. 22. 1 Co. 10. 31.
[r] Ac. 7. 45. He. 4. 8. *Jesus.*
[s] ch. 4. 20.
[t] Ja. 5. 16.
[u] Le. 24. 12.
[v] Job 31. 13. 1 Co. 6. 1.
‖ *a man and his fellow.*
[w] *Fading thou wilt fade.*
[x] ch. 34. 27.
[y] Nu. 11. 14, 17
[z] 1 Sa. 15. 3, 7. 2 Sa. 8. 12.
[a] De. 5. 5.
† i. e. *the LORD my banner.*
‡ or *Because the hand of* Amalek *is against the throne of the LORD.* Therefore, &c.
§ *the hand upon the throne of the LORD.*

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[a] Ps. 44. 1.
[b] ch. 4. 20.
[c] Ge. 19. 5, 10. Ac. 6. 3.
[d] Ge. 42. 18.
[e] 2 Sa. 23. 3.
[f] Exo. 18. 8.
[g] Ps. 44. 1.
‖ i. e. *a stranger there.*
[h] i.e. *my God is an help.*
[i] 2 Sa. 19. 39.

5 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at [a] the mount of God:

6 And he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her.

7 ¶ And Moses [b] went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of *their* [c] welfare; and they came into the tent.

8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, *and* all the travail that had [d] come upon them by the way, and *how* the LORD delivered them.

9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Jethro said, [e] Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that the LORD *is* [f] greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt [g] proudly *he was* above them.

12 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law [h] before God.

13 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.

14 And when Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What *is* this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning unto even?

15 And Moses said unto his father in law, Because [i] the people come unto me to enquire of God:

16 When they have [k] a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between [l] one and another, and I do make *them* know the statutes of God, and his laws.

17 And Moses' father in law said unto him, The thing that thou doest *is* not good.

18 [m] Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that *is* with thee: for this thing *is* too heavy for thee; [n] thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.

19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou [o] for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:

20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them [p] the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people [q] able men, such as [r] fear God, [s] men of truth, hating covetousness; and place *such* over them, *to be* rulers of thousands, *and* rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

22 And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, *that* every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear *the burden* with thee.

23 If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to [t] their place in peace.

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24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.

25 And [a] Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.

26 And they judged the people at all seasons: the [b] hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.

27 ¶ And Moses let his father in law depart; and [c] he went his way into his own land.

CHAP. XIX.

IN the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day [d] came they *into* the wilderness of Sinai.

2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come *to* the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

3 And [e] Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

4 Ye [m] have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and *how* [n] I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

5 Now [p] therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then [q] ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for [r] all the earth *is* mine:

6 And ye shall be unto me a [s] kingdom of priests, and an [t] holy nation. These *are* the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

7 ¶ And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee [u] in a thick cloud, [x] that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee *for ever*. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD.

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and [y] sanctify them to day and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes,

11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD [z] will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, *that ye* go *not* up into the mount, or touch the border of it: [a] whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death:

13 There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether *it be* beast or man, it shall not live: when the [2] trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount.

14 ¶ And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes.

15 And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day: [b] come not at *your* wives.

16 ¶ And it came *to pass* on the third day in the morning, that there were [c] thunders and lightnings, and a [d] thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that *was* in the camp trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And [e] mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it [f] in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and [g] the whole mount quaked greatly.

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and [h] God answered him by a voice.

20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, [i] charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD [k] to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the LORD [l] break forth upon them.

23 And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, [m] Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

24 And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest he break forth upon them.

25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

CHAP. XX.

AND God spake all these words, saying,

2 I [n] *am* the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of [†] bondage.

3 Thou [o] shalt have no other gods before me.

4 Thou [p] shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth:

5 Thou [q] shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* [r] a jealous God, [s] visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me;

6 And [t] shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

7 Thou [u] shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD [x] will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

8 Remember [y] the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six [z] days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

10 But the [a] seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, [b] nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:

11 For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

12 ¶ Honour [c] thy father and thy mother:

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[a] De. 1. 15.
[b] Ju. 5. 5. Is. 6. 4. Hab. 3. 3.
[c] Job 29. 16.
[d] 2 Ch. 7. 1...3.
[e] Ps. 114. 7. Je. 4. 24. He. 12. 26.
[f] Nu. 10. 33. 20.
[g] Ne. 9. 13. Ps. 81. 7.
[h] Nu. 33. 15.
[i] *contest.*
[k] ch. 3. 5. 1 Sa. 6. 19.
[l] Ac. 7. 39.
[m] 2 Sa. 6. 7, 8.
[n] De. 29. 2.
[o] De. 32. 11. Is. 63. 9.
[p] Jos. 3. 4.
[q] De. 5. 2.
[r] 1 Ki. 8. 53. Ps. 135. 4. Ca. 8. 12. Is. 43. 1. Je. 10. 16. Mal. 3. 17. Tit. 2. 14.
[s] De. 10. 14. Job 41. 11. Ps. 50. 12. 1 Co. 10. 26.
[t] De. 33. 2...4. 1 Pe. 2. 5, 9. Re. 1. 6. 20. 6.
[u] Is. 62. 12.
[v] 1 Co. 3. 17. 1 Th. 5. 27.
[w] Le. 26. 1, 13. De. 5. 6. Ho. 13. 4.
[†] *servants.*
[x] 2 Ki. 17. 35. Je. 35. 15.
[y] Ps. 97. 7.
[z] Ps. 18. 11, 12. Mat. 17. 5.
[a] Jno. 12. 29, 30
[b] Jos. 23. 7. Is. 44. 15, 19. Da. 5. 4.
[c] Le. 11. 44, 45. He. 10. 22.
[d] Na. 1. 2.
[e] Nu. 14. 18, 33 Job 5. 4. 21. 19. Ps. 79. 8. Is. 14. 20, 21. 65. 6, 7. Je. 2. 9. 32. 18.
[f] De. 33. 2.
[g] De. 7. 9. Ps. 89. 34. Ro. 11. 28.
[h] Mat. 5. 33.
[i] Mi. 6. 11.
[k] He. 12. 20.
[l] Le. 26. 2.
[m] Le. 23. 3. Eze. 20. 12. Lu. 13. 14.
[n] Ge. 2. 2, 3.
[2] or, *cornet.*
[o] Nu. 15. 19
[p] 1 Sa. 21. 4, 5. Zec. 7. 2.
[q] 1 Co. 7. 5.
[r] Ps. 77. 18.
[s] 2 Ch. 5. 14.
[t] Je. 35. 18, 19. Mat. 15. 4. Mar. 10. 19. Ep. 6. 2.

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that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

13 Thou [b] shalt not kill.

14 Thou [c] shalt not commit adultery.

15 Thou [d] shalt not steal.

16 Thou [e] shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

17 Thou [f] shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, [g] thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbour's.

18 ¶ And [h] all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw *it*, they removed, and stood afar off.

19 And they said unto Moses, [r] Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.

20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: [s] for God is come to prove you, and [t] that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.

21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto [u] the thick darkness where God *was*.

22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you [x] from heaven.

23 Ye shall not make [y] with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.

24 ¶ An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all [z] places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.

25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not [a] build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.

26 Neither shall thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

CHAP. XXI.

NOW these *are* the judgments which thou shalt [b] set before them.

2 If [c] thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

3 If he came in [d] by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.

4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

5 And [e] if the servant [f] shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:

6 Then his master shall bring him unto the [g] judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall [h] bore his ear through with an awl; and he shall serve him for ever.

7 ¶ And if a man [i] sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out [k] as the menservants do.

8 If she [l] please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.

9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters.

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[a] 1 Co. 7. 4.
[b] Mat. 5. 21. Ro. 13. 9.
[c] Mat. 5. 27.
[d] Mat. 19. 18. Ro. 13. 9.
1 Th. 4. 6.
[e] De. 19. 16.
[f] Ge. 9. 6. Mat. 26. 52.
[g] Hab. 2. 9. Lu. 12. 15. Ro. 7. 7. He. 13. 5.
[h] De. 19. 4, 5.
[i] Job 31. 9. Pr. 6. 29. Je. 5. 8.
[k] 1 Sa. 24. 4, 10, 18.
[l] Jos. 20. 2
[m] Nu. 15. 30. He. 10. 26.
[n] He. 12. 18.
[o] 1 Ki. 2. 28, 31.
[p] De. 24. 7. Ga. 3. 19, 20.
[q] Ge. 27. 29.
[r] ch. 22. 4.
[s] Pr. 20. 20. Mar. 7. 10.
[t] *or, revereth.*
[u] Ge. 22. 1.
[x] Pr. 16. 6. Is. 8. 13.
[y] *or, his neighbour.*
[z] 1 Ki. 8. 12.
[a] 2 Sa. 3. 29.
[b] *his swearing.*
[c] Ne. 9. 13.
[d] 1 Sa. 5. 4, 5. 2 Ki. 17. 33 Eze. 20. 28. 43. 8. Da. 5. 4, 23. Zep. 1. 5.
[e] 2 Co. 6. 14, 16.
[f] *arranged.* Ge. 4. 15, 24. Ro. 13. 4.
[g] 1 Ki. 8. 43. 9. 3. 2 Ch. 6. 6. 7. 16. 12. 13. Ezr. 6. 12.
[h] De. 22. 18, 19.
[i] *bound them with hearing.*
[k] Le. 24. 20. De. 19. 21. Mat. 5. 38.
[l] De. 4. 14.
[m] Je. 31. 14.
[n] *with his body.*
[o] Ge. 9. 5.
[p] De. 15. 16, 17.
[q] *saying shall say.*
[r] Nu. 35. 31.
[s] ch. 22. 8, 28.
[t] Ps. 60. 6.
[u] Ne. 5. 5.
[x] ver. 2, 3.
[y] Zec. 11. 12, 13. Mat. 26. 15. Ph. 2. 7.
[z] *he evil in the eyes of, &c.*

10 If he take him another *wife*; her food, her raiment, [a] and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish.

11 And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out free without money.

12 ¶ [b] He *that* smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death.

13 And [c] if a man lie not in wait, but God [d] deliver *him* into his hand; then [e] I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.

14 But if a man come [m] presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with guile; [n] thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.

15 ¶ And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death.

16 ¶ And [p] he that stealeth a man, and [o] selleth him, or if he be [r] found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

17 ¶ And [s] he that [t] curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.

18 ¶ And if men strive together, and one smite [u] another with a stone, or with *his* fist, and he die not, but keepeth *his* bed:

19 If he rise again, and walk abroad [x] upon his staff, then shall he that smote *him* be quit: only he shall pay *for* the loss of his time, and shall cause *him* to be thoroughly healed.

20 ¶ And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand; he shall be surely [y] punished.

21 Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he *is* his money.

22 ¶ If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart *from her*, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall [z] pay as the judges *determine*.

23 And if *any* mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,

24 Eye [a] for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

25 Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

26 ¶ And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake.

27 And if he smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's tooth; he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake.

28 ¶ If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then [b] the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox *shall be* quit.

29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

30 If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for [c] the ransom of his life whatsoever is laid upon him.

31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done unto him.

32 If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master [f] thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

33 ¶ And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein;

34 The owner of the pit shall make *it* good, *and* give money unto the owner of them; and the dead *beast* shall be his.

35 ¶ And if one man's ox hurt another's,

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that he die; then they shall sell the live ox, and divide the money of it; and the dead *ox* also they shall divide.

36 Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past, and his owner hath not kept him *in*; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

CHAP. XXII.

IF a man shall steal an ox, or a [a] sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and [b] four sheep for a sheep.

2 ¶ If a thief be found [c] breaking up, and be smitten that he die, *there shall* [d] no blood *be shed* for him.

3 If the sun be risen upon him, *there shall be* blood *shed* for him; *for* he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be [e] sold for his theft.

4 If the theft be certainly [f] found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall [g] restore double.

5 ¶ If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution.

6 ¶ If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed *therewith*; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

7 ¶ If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.

8 If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the judges, *to see* whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

9 For all manner of trespass, *whether it be* for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, *or* for any manner of lost thing, which *another* challengeth to be his, the [h] cause of both parties shall come before the judges; *and* whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour.

10 If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing *it*:

11 *Then* shall an [i] oath of the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept *thereof*, and he shall not make *it* good.

12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.

13 If it be torn in pieces, *then* let him bring it *for* witness, *and* he shall not make good that which was torn.

14 ¶ And if a man borrow *ought* of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof *being* not with it, he shall surely make *it* good.

15 *But* if the owner thereof *be* with it, he shall not make *it* good: if it *be* an hired *thing*, it came for his hire.

16 ¶ *And* [k] if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall [l] pay money according to the [m] dowry of virgins.

18 ¶ Thou [n] shalt not suffer a witch to live.

19 ¶ Whosoever [o] lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

20 ¶ He [p] that sacrificeth unto *any* god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

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[a] Je. 7. 6. Zec. 7. 10. Mal. 3. 5.
[b] Ps. 91. 6. Is. 1. 17, 23. 10. 2. Eze. 22. 7. Ja. 1. 27.
[c] Job 30. 9. Lu. 10. 7.
[d] Job 34. 28. Ps. 18. 6. 145. 19. Ja. 5. 4
[e] Job 31. 23. Ps. 69. 24.
[f] or, found.
[g] Ps. 109. 9. La. 5. 3.
[h] 2 Sa. 12. 6. Pr. 6. 31. Lu. 19. 8.
[i] Mat. 26. 63.
[k] Ne. 5. 7. Ps. 15. 5. Eze. 18. 8, 17
[l] Nu. 35. 27.
[m] Job 22. 6. Pr. 22. 27. Am. 2. 8.
[n] ch. 21. 2.
[o] ch. 21. 16.
[p] Pr. 6. 31.
[q] Ps. 86. 15.
[r] Ac. 23. 5.
[s] or, *judges.*
[t] *thy fulness.*
[u] Pr. 3. 9.
[v] *tear.*
[w] ch. 13. 2, 12.
[x] De. 15. 19.
[y] De. 14. 21.
[z] Pr. 10. 18.
[a] or, *receive.*
[b] Mat. 26. 59. 61. Ac. 6. 11, 13.
[c] Pr. 1. 10, 15. Lu. 23. 23.
[d] 2 Ch. 19. 10.
[e] Ps. 72. 2.
[f] *answer.*
[g] Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 20. 1 Th. 5. 15.
[h] He. 6. 16.
[i] or, *will thou cease to help him? or, wouldest cease to leave thy business for him, thou shalt surely leave it to join with him.*
[k] Am. 5. 12.
[l] Ge. 31. 39.
[m] Ep. 4. 25.
[n] Pr. 17. 15, 26.
[o] Ro. 1. 18.
[p] Ac. 24. 25.
[q] *the seeing.*
[r] *soul.*
[s] De. 22. 28, 29.
[t] *weigh.* Ge. 23. 16.
[u] 1 Sa. 16. 25.
[v] 1 Sa. 28. 3, 9.
[w] or, *olive trees.*
[x] Le. 18. 23.
[y] Nu. 25. 2, 7, 8.

21 ¶ Thou [q] shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

22 ¶ Ye [r] shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.

23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they [s] cry at all unto me, I will surely [t] hear their cry;

24 And my [u] wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and *your* wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

25 ¶ If [v] thou lend money to *any of* my people *that is* poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.

26 If [w] thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:

27 For that *is* his covering only, it *is* his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I *am* [x] gracious.

28 ¶ Thou [y] shalt not revile the [z] gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people.

29 ¶ Thou shalt not delay *to offer* [a] the [b] first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy [c] liquors: [d] the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.

30 Likewise [e] shalt thou do with thine oxen, *and* with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it me.

31 ¶ And [f] ye shall be [g] holy men unto me: neither shall ye eat *any* flesh *that is* torn of beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

CHAP. XXIII.

THOU [h] shalt not [i] raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an [j] unrighteous witness.

2 ¶ Thou [k] shalt not follow a multitude to *do* evil; [l] neither shalt thou [m] speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest *judgment:*

3 ¶ Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

4 ¶ If [n] thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and [o] wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.

6 Thou [p] shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

7 Keep [q] thee far from a false matter; [r] and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for [s] I will not justify the wicked.

8 ¶ And [t] thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth [u] the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous.

9 ¶ Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the [v] heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

11 But the seventh *year* thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, *and* with thy [w] oliveyard.

12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

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13 And in all *things* that I have said unto you [o] be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

14 ¶ Three [d] times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

15 Thou [e] shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: [f] and none shall appear before me empty:)

16 And [h] the feast of harvest, the first-fruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and [k] the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD.

18 Thou [m] shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my [o] sacrifice remain until the morning.

19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. [q] Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

20 ¶ Behold, [p] I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, [r] provoke him not; for he will [s] not pardon your transgressions: for [u] my name *is* in him.

22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and [†] an adversary unto thine adversaries.

23 For [x] mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

24 Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: [z] but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images.

25 And ye shall [a] serve the LORD your God, and [b] he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and [c] I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

26 ¶ There [h] shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their [‡] backs unto thee.

28 And [e] I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.

29 I [m] will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

31 And [g] I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river: for I will [r] deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

32 Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, [i] it will surely be a snare unto thee.

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[a] De. 4. 9. Jos. 23. 5. Ps. 39. 1. Ep. 5. 15. 1 Ti. 5. 16.
[b] ch. 28. 1. Le. 10. 1, 2.
[c] ch. 1. 5. Nu. 11. 16.
[d] c.u. 34. 23.
[e] ch. 12. 15.
[f] ch. 34. 20.
[g] ch. 19. 8. De. 5. 27. Ga. 3.19.20.
[h] Le. 23. 10.
[i] De. 31. 9.
[k] De. 16. 13.
[l] Ge. 28. 18. 31. 45.
[m] Le. 2. 11.
[o] or, *feast.*
[n] He. 9. 18.
[o] De. 14. 21.
[p] Is. 63. 9.
[q] Ps.78.40.56. Ep. 4. 30. He 2.10,16.
[r] Je. 5. 7. He. 3. 11. 1 Jno. 5 16.
[s] He. 13. 20. 1 Pe. 1. 2
[u] Jno.10.30.38
[†] or, *I will afflict them that afflict thee.*
[x] ch. 3. 6. Is. 6. 5. Jno. 1. 18. 1 Ti. 6. 16.
[z] ch. 33. 2.
[a] Mat. 17. 2.
[b] ch. 19. 21.
[c] De. 4. 33. Jo. 13. 22.
[h] ch. 18. 12.
[e] ch. 34. 13.
[d] Mat. 4. 10.
[e] De.28.5.8.
[f] De. 7. 15.
[g] ch. 33. 11.
[h] Ma13.10,11.
[‡] *neck.*
[i] Jos. 24.12.
[k] Mat. 17 5.
[l] ch. 16. 10.
[m] Nu. 14. 10.
[m] De. 7. 22.
[n] He.12.18.29.
[o] Ge. 15. 18. Nu. 34. 3. De. 11. 24. Jos. 1. 4. 1Ki 4.21,24. Ps. 72. 8.
[p] ch. 34. 28.
[r] Jos. 21. 44. Ju. 1. 4 11. 21.
[§] *take for me.*
[ll] or, *heave offering.*
[s] 1 Ch. 29. 3, 5, 9, 14 Ezr. 2. 68. 2 Co. 8. 12. 9. 7.
[t] ch. 34. 12. Jos. 23. 13. Ju. 2. 3. 1 Sa. 18. 21. Ps. 106. 36.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, [s] Nadab, and Abihu, [t] and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.

2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

3 ¶ And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, [§] All the words which the LORD hath said will we do.

4 And Moses [†] wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve [‡] pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

6 And Moses [u] took half of the blood, and put *it* in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the people, and said, Behold [†] the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

9 ¶ Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

10 And they [x] saw the God of Israel: and *there was* under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the [y] body of heaven in *his* clearness.

11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he [z] laid not his hand: also [a] they saw God, and did [b] eat and drink.

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

13 And Moses rose up, and [c] his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God.

14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur *are* with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.

15 And Moses went up into the mount, and [d] a cloud covered the mount.

16 And [f] the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD *was* like [n] devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and [p] Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

CHAP. XXV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they [§] bring me an [ll] offering: [s] of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.

3 And this *is* the offering which ye shall

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take of them; gold, and silver, and brass,
4 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and [a] fine linen, and goats' *hair*,
5 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,
6 Oil [b] for the light, [c] spices for anointing oil, and for [d] sweet incense,
7 Onyx stones, and stones to be set in the [e] ephod, and in the *f* breastplate.
8 And let them make me a [g] sanctuary; that [h] I may dwell among them.
9 According to all that I shew thee, *after* the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make *it*.
10 ¶ And [h] they shall make an ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about.
12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put *them* in the four corners thereof; and two rings *shall be* in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it.
13 And thou shalt make staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, that the ark may be borne with them.
15 The [i] staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it.
16 And thou shalt put into the ark the [k] testimony which I shall give thee.
17 And [l] thou shalt make a mercy seat *of* pure gold: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.
18 And thou shalt make two [m] cherubims *of* gold, *of* beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.
19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even [n] of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.
20 And [o] the cherubims shall stretch forth *their* wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces *shall look* one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.
21 And [p] thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and [q] in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.
22 And [r] there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from [r] between the two cherubims which *are* upon the ark of the testimony, of all *things* which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.
23 ¶ Thou [s] shalt also make a table *of* shittim wood: two cubits *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
24 And thou shalt overlay it with [t] pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about.
25 And thou shalt make unto it a border of an hand breadth round about, and thou shalt make a golden crown to the border thereof round about.
26 And thou shalt make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that *are* on the four feet thereof.

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[a] or, *silk.*
Ge. 41. 42.
[b] ch. 27. 20.
[c] ch. 30. 23.
[d] ch. 37. 16. Nu. 4. 7.
[e] ch. 28. 4.
[f] ch. 28. 15.
[g] ch. 35. 1, 3, 4. He. 9. 1, 2.
[h] 1 Ki. 8. 13. 2 Co. 6. 16. He. 3. 6. Re. 21. 3.
[i] Le. 24. 5, 6. 1 Sa. 21. 6. Mat. 1 7, 12. Mat. 12. 4
[j] 1 Ki. 7. 49. Zec. 4. 2. Re. 1. 12. 4. 5.
[k] De. 10. 3. He. 9. 4.
[l] 1 Ki. 8. 8.
[m] ch. 16. 34. 31. 18. De. 10. 2, 5. 31. 26. 1 Ki. 8. 9. 2 Ki. 11. 12. Ro. 3. 2.
[n] Ro. 3. 25. He. 9. 5.
[o] ch. 27. 21. 30. 8. Le. 24. 3, 4 2 Ch. 13. 11.
[p] or, *cause to ascend.* Nu. 7. 2.
[q] 2 Ch. 3. 10.
[r] *the face of it*
[s] or, *of the matter of the mercy seat.*
[t] ch. 26. 30. Nu. 8. 4. 1 Ch. 28. 11, 19. Ac. 7. 44. He. 8. 5.
[u] *which thou wast caused to see.*
[v] 1 Ki. 8. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 18.
[w] Re. 21. 3.
[x] 1 Ch. 17. 1.
[y] ch. 25. 34.
[z] ver. 16.
[a] *the work of a cunning workman, or, embroiderer.*
[b] ch. 29. 42, 43. 30. 6, 36. Le. 16. 2. Nu. 17. 4.
[c] Nu. 7. 89. 1 Sa. 4. 4. 2 Sa. 6. 2. 2 Ki. 19. 15. Ps. 80. 1. 99. 1. Is. 37. 16.
[d] 1 Ki. 7. 48. 2 Ch. 4. 8. He. 9. 2.
[e] 1 Ki. 6. 20.
[f] ch. 36. 14.
[g] Is. 4. 5.

27 Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the staves to bear the table.
28 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be borne with them.
29 And thou shalt make [u] the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and covers thereof, and bowls thereof, [t] to cover withal: *of* pure gold shalt thou make them.
30 And thou shalt set upon the table [v] shewbread before me alway.
31 ¶ And *y* thou shalt make a candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.
32 And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side:
33 Three bowls made like unto almonds, *with* a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, *with* a knop and a flower: so in the six branches that come out of the candlestick.
34 And in the candlestick *shall be* four bowls made like unto almonds, *with* their knops and their flowers.
35 And *there shall be* a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick.
36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all of it *shall be* one beaten work *of* pure gold.
37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and [w] they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may [x] give light over against it.
38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, *shall be of* pure gold.
39 *Of* a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.
40 And [z] look that thou make *them* after their pattern, [a] which was shewed thee in the mount.

CHAP. XXVI.

MOREOVER [b] thou shalt make the tabernacle *with* ten [c] curtains *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims [t] of cunning work shalt thou make them.
2 The length of one curtain *shall be* eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and every one of the curtains shall have one measure.
3 The five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and *other* five curtains *shall be* coupled one to another.
4 And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the uttermost edge of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.
5 Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that *is* in the coupling of the second; that the loops may take hold one of another.
6 And thou shalt make fifty taches of gold, and couple the curtains together with the taches: and it shall be one tabernacle.
7 ¶ And [d] thou shalt make curtains *of* goats' *hair* to be [e] a covering upon the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make.

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8 The length of one curtain *shall be* thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains *shall be all of* one measure.

9 And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shalt double the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.

10 And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain *that is* outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of brass, and put the taches into the loops, and couple the [e]tent together, that it may be one.

12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remaineth, shall [f] hang over the back-side of the tabernacle.

13 And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side [†] of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it.

14 And [m] thou shalt make a covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering above *of* badgers' skins.

15 ¶ And thou shalt make [o] boards for the tabernacle *of* [p] shittim wood standing up.

16 Ten cubits *shall be* the length of a board, and a cubit and a half *shall be* the breadth of one board.

17 Two [‡] tenons *shall there be* in one board, set in order one against another: thus shall thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the south side southward.

19 And thou shalt make forty [m] sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

20 And for the second side of the tabernacle on the north side *there shall be* twenty boards:

21 And their forty sockets *of* silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

22 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward thou shalt make six boards.

23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.

24 And they shall be [§] coupled together beneath, and they shall be [v] coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners.

25 And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets *of* silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

26 ¶ And thou shalt make bars *of* shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,

27 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the two sides westward.

28 And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall reach from end to end.

29 And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings *of* gold *for* places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars with gold.

30 And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle [x] according to the fashion thereof which was shewed thee in the mount.

[a] ch. 36. 35. Le. 16. 2. 2 Ch. 3. 14. Mat. 27. 51. Ep. 2. 14. He. 9. 3. 10. 20, 21.

[b] ch. 28. 15. 34. 23. 2 Ch. 2. 7, 13, 14. Ps. 137. 5. Ca. 7. 1.

[c] Ex. 1. 6.

[d] ch. 25. 16. 40. 21.

[e] Le. 16. 2. He. 9. 2, 3.

[f] ch. 25. 21. 40. 20. He. 9. 5.

[g] *or, covering*

[h] ch. 40. 22.

[i] ver. 9.

[k] ch. 40. 24.

[†] *in the remainder*, or, *superfluous*.

[l] ch. 36. 37.

[m] Nu. 3. 25. 9. 15. 2 Sa. 7. 6. Ps. 78. 60.

[m] ch. 36. 19. Nu. 4. 5. Ps. 27. 5. 121. 4, 5. Is. 4. 6. 25. 4.

[n] ch. 36. 38.

[o] Nu. 4. 31, 32. Ep. 2. 20, 21.

[p] ch. 25. 5, 23.

[r] ch. 38. 1. Eze. 43. 13.

[‡] *hands.*

[s] Le. 16. 18. 1 Ki. 1. 50. 2. 28. Ps. 118. 27. He. 6. 19.

[t] Nu. 16. 38. 1 Ki. 8. 64.

[u] ver. 28, 37. ch. 27. 10. 12. 18. 36. 24, 26. 38. 27. 30, 31. 40. 18. Nu. 3. 36. 4. 31, 32. Ca. 5. 15.

[§] *twined.*

[v] ch. 36. 29. Ps. cxxxiii. 1 Co. 1. 10.

[x] ch. 25. 40. 26. 30. 1 Ch. 28. 11, 12, 19. Mat. 15. 9.

[‖] *he shewed.*

[y] ch. 38. 9.

[z] ch. 25. 9 40. 27. 8. Ac 7. 44. He. 8. 5.

31 ¶ And [a] thou shalt make a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of [b] cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made:

32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars [c] of shittim *wood* overlaid with gold: their hooks *shall be of* gold, upon the four sockets of silver.

33 ¶ And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the vail [d] the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between [e] the holy *place* and the most holy.

34 And [f] thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy *place*.

35 And [g] thou shalt set the table without the vail, and [i] the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north side.

36 And [k] thou shalt make an hanging for the door of [l] the tent, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.

37 And thou shalt make for the hanging [n] five pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlay them with gold, *and* their hooks *shall be of* gold: and thou shalt cast five sockets of brass for them.

CHAP. XXVII.

AND thou shalt make [r] an altar *of* shittim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof *shall be* three cubits.

2 And thou shalt make [s] the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and [t] thou shalt overlay it with brass.

3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basons, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make *of* brass.

4 And thou shalt make for it a grate *of* network *of* brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.

5 And thou shalt put it under the compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.

6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with brass.

7 And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.

8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: [x] as it was shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make *it*.

9 ¶ And [y] thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward *there shall be* hangings for the court *of* fine twined linen of an hundred cubits long for one side:

10 And the twenty pillars thereof and their twenty sockets *shall be of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *shall be of* silver.

11 And likewise for the north side in length *there shall be* hangings of an hundred *cubits* long, and his twenty pillars and their twenty sockets *of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.

12 ¶ And *for* the breadth of the court on the west side *shall be* hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.

13 And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward *shall be* fifty cubits.

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14 The hangings of one side *of the gate shall be* fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And on the other side *shall be* hangings fifteen *cubits:* their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 ¶ And for the gate of the court *shall be* an hanging of twenty cubits, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with [d] needlework: *and* their pillars *shall be* four, and their sockets four.

17 All the pillars round about the court *shall be* filleted with silver: their hooks *shall be of* silver, and their sockets *of* brass.

18 ¶ The length of [e] the court *shall be* an hundred cubits, and the breadth [*] fifty every where, and the height five cubits *of* fine twined linen, and their sockets *of* brass.

19 All the vessels of the tabernacle in all the service thereof, and all the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court, *shall be of* brass.

20 ¶ And [f] thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp [§] to burn always.

21 In the tabernacle of the congregation [h] without the vail, which is before the testimony, [i] Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before the LORD: [m] *it shall be* a statute for ever unto their generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND take thou unto thee [n] Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, *even* Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.

2 And [p] thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother for glory and for beauty.

3 And [r] thou shalt speak unto all *that are* wise hearted, [s] whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

4 And these *are* the garments which they shall make; [t] a breastplate, and [u] an ephod, and [x] a robe, and [y] a broidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

5 And they shall take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen.

6 ¶ And [z] they shall make the ephod *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, *of* scarlet, and fine twined linen, with cunning work.

7 It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two edges thereof; and so it shall be joined together.

8 And the [*] curious girdle [a] of the ephod, which is upon it, shall be of the same, according to the work thereof; *even of* gold, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

9 And thou shalt take two [b] onyx stones, and grave on them the names of the children of Israel:

10 Six of their names on one stone, and *the other* six names of the rest on the other stone, according to their birth.

11 With the work of an engraver in stone, *like* the [c] engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be set in ouches of gold.

12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the [d] shoulders of the ephod *for* stones of memorial unto the children of Israel: and [e] Aaron shall bear their names before the LORD upon his two shoulders [f] for a memorial.

13 ¶ And thou shalt make ouches *of* gold;

14 And two chains *of* pure gold at the ends; *of* wreathen work shalt thou make them, and fasten the wreathen chains to the ouches.

15 ¶ And [g] thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, and *of* scarlet, and *of* fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.

16 Foursquare it shall be *being* doubled; a span *shall be* the length thereof, and a span *shall be* the breadth thereof.

17 And [h] thou shalt † set in it settings of stones, *even* four rows of stones: *the first* row *shall be* a ‡ sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: *this shall be* the first row.

18 And the second row *shall be* an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their ‖ inclosings.

21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, *like* the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to [*] the twelve tribes.

22 ¶ And thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends *of* wreathen work *of* pure gold.

23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.

24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen *chains* of gold in the two rings *which are* on the ends of the breastplate.

25 And *the other* two ends of the two wreathen *chains* thou shalt fasten in the two ouches, and put *them* on the shoulderpieces of the ephod before it.

26 ¶ And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of the breastplate in the border thereof, which *is* in the side of the ephod inward.

27 And two *other* rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.

28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that *it* may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod.

29 And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment [i] upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy *place,* [c] for a memorial before the LORD continually.

30 ¶ And [d] thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon

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[a] Ju. 22. 24. Ezec. 3. 9. Ep. 1. 13. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[b] Ps. 89. 19. Is. 9. 6. He. 7. 25.. 28.
[c] ver. 29. ch. 39. 7.
[d] Ju. 5. 30. Ps. 45. 14.
[e] Jos. 4. 7. Zec. 6. 14.
[f] ch. 39. 8.
[g] 2 Ch. 33. 5. Ps. 81. 10. 92. 13. 100. 4. 116. 19.
[*] *fifty by fifty.*
[h] ch. 39. 10, &c.
† *fill in it fillings of stone.*
[i] Le. 24. 2.
‡ or, *ruby.*
§ *to ascend up.*
[k] ch. 26. 31, 33.
[l] ch. 30. 8. 1 Sa. 3. 3. 2 Ch. 13. 11.
[m] ch. 28. 43. 29. 9. 28. Le. 3. 17. 16. 34. 24. 9. Nu. 18. 23. 19. 21. 1 Sa. 30. 25.
‖ *fillings.*
[n] Nu. 18. 7 He. 5. 1, 4.
[o] 1 Ki. 18. 31. Lu. 22. 30. Ja. 1. 1. Re. 7. 4-8. 21. 12.
[p] ch. 29. 5, 29. 31. 10. 39. 1, 2. Le. 8. 7, 30. Nu. 20. 26, 28.
[r] ch. 31. 6. 36. 1.
[s] ch. 31. 3. 35. 30, 31.
[t] ver 15.
[u] ver. 6.
[x] ver. 31.
[y] ver. 39.
[z] ch. 39. 2.
[*] or, *embroidered.*
[a] Is. 11. 5. 1 Pe. 1. 13. Re. 1. 13.
[b] Ge. 2. 12. Job 28. 16. Eze. 28. 13.
[c] Le. 30. 21. Ro. 10. 1.
[d] ver. 12.
[e] Le. 8. 8. Nu. 27. 21. De. 33. 8. 1 Sa. 28. 6. Ezr. 2. 63 Ne. 7. 65.

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Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart [b] before the LORD continually.

31 ¶ And [c] thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all *of* blue.

32 And there shall be an hole in the top of it, in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an habergeon, that it be not rent.

33 ¶ And *beneath* upon the [*] hem of it thou shalt make pomegranates *of* blue, and *of* purple, and *of* scarlet, round about the hem thereof; and bells of gold between them round about:

34 A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round about.

35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in unto the holy *place* before the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.

36 ¶ And [e] thou shalt make a plate *of* pure gold, and grave upon it, *like* the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be.

38 And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may [m] bear the iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be [n] accepted before the LORD.

39 ¶ And thou shalt embroider the coat of fine linen, and thou shalt make the mitre *of* fine linen, and thou shalt make the girdle *of* needlework.

40 ¶ And [f] for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and bonnets shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty.

41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him; and shalt [g] anoint them, [t] and [h] consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office.

42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover [†] their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall [‡] reach:

43 And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come in unto the tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near [u] unto the altar to minister in the holy *place*; that they [v] bear not iniquity, and die: [w] *it shall be* a statute for ever unto him and his seed after him.

CHAP. XXIX.

AND this *is* the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto me in the priest's office: [x] Take one young bullock, and two rams without blemish,

2 And [d] unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed with oil: *of* wheaten flour shalt thou make them.

3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the two rams.

4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, [y] and shalt wash them with water.

5 And [z] thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with [a] the curious girdle of the ephod:

6 And [b] thou shalt put the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.

7 Then shalt thou take the anointing [c] oil, and pour *it* upon his head, and anoint him.

8 And [d] thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.

9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and [e] put the bonnets on them: and [f] the priest's office shall be their's for a perpetual statute: and thou shalt [‡] consecrate [h] Aaron and his sons.

10 And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.

11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put *it* upon [i] the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar.

13 And [j] thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and [§] the caul *that is* above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and burn *them* upon the altar.

14 But [k] the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire without the camp: it *is* a sin offering.

15 ¶ Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall [l] put their hands upon the head of the ram.

16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and sprinkle *it* round about upon the altar.

17 And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of him, and his legs, and put *them* unto his pieces, and [‖] unto his head.

18 And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: it *is* a burnt offering unto the LORD: it is a [m] sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

19 ¶ And [n] thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, and put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot, and [o] sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

21 And thou shalt take of the blood that *is* upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle *it* upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and [p] he shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.

22 Also thou shalt take of the rum the fat and the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and the right shoulder; for it *is* a ram of consecration:

23 And one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the basket of the unleavened bread that *is* before the LORD:

24 And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shall [§] wave [#] them *for* a wave offering before the LORD.

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[a] ch. 28. 8.
[b] 2Co. 6. 11. 12 7. 3. Phi. 1. 7, 8. He. 2. 17. 4. 15. 9. 12, 24.
[c] Le. 8. 9.
[d] ch. 39. 22.
[e] ch. 28. 41. 30. 25. Le. 8. 12. 10. 7. 21. 10. Nu. 35. 25.
[f] Le. 6. 13.
[*] or, *skirts.*
[†] *bind.*
[g] Nu. 18. 7.
[‡] *fill the hand of.*
[h] ch. 28. 41. Exo. 40. 13, 15. He. 5. 4. 7. 28.
[i] ch. 39. 30. Zec. 14. 20.
[k] ch. 27. 2. 30. 2.
[l] Le. 3. 3.
[§] It seemeth by anatomy, and the Hebrew doctors, to be *the midriff.*
[m] Le. 10. 17. 22. 9. Nu. 18. 1. Is. 53. 11. Eze. 4. 4, 6. Jno. 1. 29. He. 9. 28. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[n] Le. 4. 11, 12, 21. He. 13. 11.
[o] Le. 1. 4. Is. 56. 7.
[p] Le. 1. 4, 9.
[q] Exo. 44. 17, 18.
[‖] or, *upon.*
[r] ch. 30. 30. 40. 15. Le. 10. 7.
[s] Le. VIII. He. 7. 28.
[*] *fill their hand.*
[t] Ge. 8. 21.
[u] Le. 8. 22.
[†] *flesh of their nakedness.*
[‡] *be.*
[x] ch. 30. 26.
[y] Is. 52. 15. He. 9. 19, 23. 12. 24.
[z] 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[a] Le. 8. 7. 20. 19, 20. 22. 9. Nu. 9. 13. 18. 22.
[b] ch. 27. 21. Le. 17. 7. ver. 1.
[c] Le. 8. 2.
[d] Le. 2. 4. 6. 20. 22.
[e] ch. 40. 12. He. 10. 22.
[f] ch. 28. 2.
[§] or, *shake to and fro.*
[#] Le. 7. 30.

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38 And thou shalt receive them of their hands, and burn *them* upon the altar for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it is an [b] offering made by fire unto the LORD.

26 And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave it *for* a wave offering before the LORD: and [d] it shall be thy part.

27 And thou shalt sanctify [e] the breast of the wave offering, and the shoulder of the heave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of the consecration, *even* of *that* which is for Aaron, and of *that* which is for his sons:

28 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons' [f] by a statute for ever from the children of Israel: for it is an heave offering: and [g] it shall be an heave offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifice of their peace offerings, *even* their heave offering unto the LORD.

29 ¶ And the holy garments of Aaron [h] shall be his sons' after him, [i] to be anointed therein, and to be consecrated in them.

30 *And* [†] that [m] son that is priest in his stead shall put them on [n] seven days, when he cometh into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the holy *place*.

31 ¶ And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and seethe his flesh in the holy place.

32 And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the [o] bread that *is* in the basket, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

33 And [p] they shall eat those things wherewith the atonement was made, to consecrate *and* to sanctify them: [q] but a stranger shall not eat *thereof*, because they *are* holy.

34 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread, remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten, because it *is* holy.

35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all *things* which I have commanded thee: [r] seven days shalt thou consecrate them.

36 And thou shalt [s] offer every day a bullock *for* a sin offering for atonement: and thou shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast made an atonement for it, [t] and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it.

37 Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: [u] whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.

38 ¶ Now this *is that* which thou shalt offer upon the altar; [x] two lambs of the first year [y] day by day continually.

39 The one lamb thou shalt offer *f* in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer at even:

40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine *for* a drink offering.

41 And the other lamb thou shalt [z] offer at even, and shalt do thereto according to the meat offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

42 *This shall be* a [a] continual burnt offering throughout your generations *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD: [b] where I will meet you, to speak there unto thee.

43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and [c] *the tabernacle* [d] shall be sanctified by my glory.

44 And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.

45 ¶ And *I* will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God.

46 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I *am* the LORD their God.

CHAP. XXX.

AND thou shalt make [e] an altar to burn incense upon: *of* shittim wood shalt thou make it.

2 A cubit *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof; four-square shall it be: and two cubits *shall be* the height thereof: the horns thereof *shall be* of the same.

3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the [‡] top thereof, and the [§] sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a crown of gold round about.

4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it, by the two [‖] corners thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make *it*; and they shall be for places for the staves to bear it withal.

5 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.

6 And thou shalt put it before the vail that *is* by the ark of the testimony, before the [#] mercy seat that *is* over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.

7 And Aaron shall burn thereon [*] sweet [†] incense every morning: when he dresseth the lamps, he shall burn incense upon it.

8 And when Aaron [†] lighteth the lamps at even, he shall burn incense upon it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations.

9 Ye shall offer no [x] strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering; neither shall ye pour drink offering thereon.

10 And [y] Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it *is* most holy unto the LORD.

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 When [b] thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after [§] their number, then shall they give every man [c] a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou numberest them; that there be no [d] plague among them, when *thou* numberest them.

13 This [e] they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel *is* twenty gerahs:) [f] an half shekel *shall be* the offering of the LORD.

14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and above, shall give an offering unto the LORD.

15 The [g] rich shall not [‖] give more, and the poor shall not [h] give less than half a shekel, when *they* give an offering unto

[a] ch. 25. 22. Nu. 17. 4.
[b] 1 Sa. 2. 28.
[c] or, Israel.
[d] 1 Ki. 8. 11. 2 Ch. 7. 1...3. Hag. 2. 7, 9. Mal. 3. 1.
[e] Ps. 99. 6.
[f] Nu. 18. 11, 18. Dt. 18. 3.
[g] Zec. 2. 10. Jno. 14. 17, 23. 2 Co. 6. 16. Re. 21. 3.
[h] Le. 10. 15.
[i] ch. 37. 25. Le. 4. 7, 18. Re. 8. 3.
[k] Le. 7. 31.
[l] Nu. 20. 26, 28.
[m] Nu. 18. 8. 35. 25.
[†] *he of his sons.*
[n] Nu. 20. 28.
[o] *roof.*
[§] *walls.*
[p] Le. 8. 35. 9. 1, 8.
[‖] *ribs.*
[q] Mat. 12. 4.
[r] Le. 10. 14...17
[s] ch. 25. 21, 22.
[t] Le. 22. 10.
[u] *incense of spices.*
[x] 1 Sa. 2. 28. 1 Ch. 23. 13. Lu. 1. 9.
[y] *causeth to ascend*, or, *setteth up.*
[z] *between the two evens.*
[a] ch. 12. 6.
[b] Le. 10. 1.
[c] Ex. 40. 12.
[d] Le. 10. 11.
[e] Le. 16. 18. 23. 27.
[f] ch. 40. 10.
[g] Mat. 23. 19.
[h] Nu. 1. 2. 5. 2 Sa. 24. 2.
[i] Nu. 28. 3. 1 Ch. 16. 40. 2 Ch. 2. 4. 13. 11. 31. 3. Ezr. 3. 3.
[§] *them that are to be numbered.*
[d] Da. 9. 27. 12. 11.
[e] Job 36. 18. Ps. 49. 7. Mar. 10. 45. 1 Ti. 2. 6. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[f] 2 Ki. 16. 15. Eze. 46. 13...15
[g] 2 Sa. 24. 15.
[h] Mat. 17. 24.
[i] Eze. 45. 12.
[k] ch. 38. 26.
[l] 1 Ki. 18. 29, 36. Ezr. 9. 4, 5. Ps. 141. 2.
[m] Nu. 28. 6.
[n] Job 34. 19. Pr. 22. 2. Ep. 6. 9. Col. 3. 25.
[‖] *multiply.*
[o] *diminish.*

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the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

16 And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and [c] shalt appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be [d] a memorial unto the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18 Thou [e] shalt also make a laver *of* brass, and his foot *also of* brass, to wash *withal:* and thou shalt [f] put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein.

19 For Aaron and his sons [g] shall wash their hands and their feet thereout:

20 When they go into the tabernacle of the congregation, they shall wash with water, that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn offering made by fire unto the LORD:

21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not: and [i] it shall be a statute for ever to them, *even* to him and to his seed throughout their generations.

22 ¶ Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Take thou also unto thee [k] principal spices, of pure [l] myrrh five hundred *shekels*, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, *even* two hundred and fifty *shekels*, and of [m] sweet calamus two hundred and fifty *shekels*,

24 And of [n] cassia five hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin:

25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the [o] apothecary: it shall be [p] an holy anointing oil.

26 And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony,

27 And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense,

28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot.

29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: [q] whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.

30 And [r] thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that *they* may minister unto me in the priest's office.

31 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations.

32 Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make *any other* like it, after the composition of it: it *is* holy, *and* it shall be holy unto you.

33 Whosoever compoundeth *any* like it, or whosoever putteth *any* of it upon a stranger, [t] shall even be cut off from his people.

34 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [u] Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; *these* sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like *weight:*

35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, [v] tempered together, pure *and* holy:

36 And thou shalt beat *some* of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tabernacle of the congregation, [w] where I will meet with thee: [x] it shall be unto you most holy.

37 And *as for* the perfume which thou shalt make, ye shall not make to yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto thee holy for the LORD.

38 Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall even be cut off from his people.

CHAP. XXXI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 See, [a] I have called by name Bezaleel the [b] son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

3 And I have [c] filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

6 And I, behold, I have given with him [d] Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are [e] wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;

7 The [f] tabernacle of the congregation, and [g] the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that *is* thereupon, and all the [h] furniture of the tabernacle,

8 And the table and his furniture, and the pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the altar of incense,

9 And [i] the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture, and [k] the laver and his foot,

10 And [l] the cloths of service, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office,

11 And [m] the anointing oil, and sweet incense for the holy *place*: according to all that I have commanded thee shall they do.

12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, [n] Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it *is* a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that *ye* may know that I *am* the LORD that doth sanctify you.

14 Ye [o] shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it *is* holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for [p] whosoever doeth *any* work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

15 Six [q] days may work be done; but in the [r] seventh *is* the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth *any* work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, *for* a perpetual covenant.

17 It *is* [s] a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: [t] for [u] in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

18 ¶ And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, [v] two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with [w] the finger of God.

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[a] Le. 16. 2.
[b] ch. 29. 37. Le. 2. 3.
[c] ch. 38. 25. Nu. 10. 32. 31.
[d] Nu. 16. 40. Le. 22. 19.
[e] 1 Ki. 7. 38. Zec. 13. 1. Tit. 3. 5.
[f] ch. 40. 7. 30.
[g] ch. 30. 20.
[h] 1 Ch. 2. 20.
[i] Ps. 26. 6. Is. 52. 11. Joe. 13. 10. 1 Co. 6. 11. Heb. 9. 10. 10. 22. Re. 1. 5, 6.
[k] 1 Ki. 9. 7. 14. Is. 28. 26. 1 Co. 12. 4.. 11.
[l] ch. 28. 43.
[m] ch. 35. 34.
[n] ch. 28. 3. 36. 1.
[o] Ca. 4. 14. Eze. 27. 22.
[p] Ps. 45. 8. Pr. 7. 17.
[q] ch. 30. 8.
[r] ch. 37. &c.
[s] Je. 5. 20.
[a] *vessels.*
[u] Ps. 45. 8.
[v] ch. 30. 1.
[x] ch. 30. 8.
[y] ch. 30. 1. 41. Nu. 4. 5, 6. &c.
[z] *or, perfumer.*
[a] Ps. 84. 20. 133. 2.
[b] ch. 30. 25, 31. 37. 29.
[c] Le. 19. 3, 30. 26. 2. Is. 56. 2, 4, 7. Eze. 44. 24.
[d] ch. 29. 37.
[e] ch. 29. 7. &c. Le. 8. 12. 30.
[f] ch. 30. 8. De. 5. 12. Eze. 20. 12.
[g] ch. 35. 2. Nu. 15. 35.
[h] ch. 30. 9.
[i] ch. 16. 23. 20. 10. Ge. 2. 2.
[k] *holiness.*
[l] Ge. 17. 14 Le. 7. 20, 21.
[m] ch. 25. 6. 27. 20.
[n] Eze. 20. 12. 20.
[o] Ge. 1. 31. He. 4. 3, 4. 10.
[p] *suited.*
[q] Le. 2. 13.
[r] ch. 24. 12. 34. 28, 29. De. 4. 13. 5. 22. 9. 10, 11.
[s] Co. 3. 3.
[t] Je. 31. 33.
[u] Co. 3. 7, 8.

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CHAP. XXXII.

AND when the people saw that Moses [a] delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, [b] Up, make us gods, which shall [c] go before us: for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the [d] golden earrings, which *are* in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring *them* unto me.

3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which *were* in their ears, and brought *them* unto Aaron.

4 And [f] he received *them* at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

5 And when Aaron saw *it*, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made [h] proclamation, and said, To morrow *is* a feast to the LORD.

6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the [i] people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.

7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [k] Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, [l] have corrupted *themselves*:

8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which [m] I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, [n] These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

9 And the LORD said unto Moses, [o] I have seen this people, and, behold, it *is* a stiffnecked people:

10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and [p] I will make of thee a great nation.

11 And [q] Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

12 Wherefore [r] should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.

13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou [s] swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, [t] I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit *it* for ever.

14 And the LORD [u] repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.

15 ¶ And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony *were* in his hand: the tables *were* written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other *were* they written.

16 And the tables *were* the work of God, and the writing *was* the writing of God, graven upon the tables.

17 And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, *There is* a noise of war in the camp.

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[a] De. 9. 9.
[b] *worshipers.* Ac. 7. 40. 41.
[c] ch. 13. 21. Ju. 2. 14. 27.
[d] Ge. 35. 2.
[f] ch. 20. 23. De. 9. 16. Ju. 17. 3, 4. 1 Ki. 12. 28. Ne. 9. 18. Ps. 106. 19. Is. 46. 6. Ro. 1. 23.
[g] ch. 14. 14.
[h] 2 Ki. 10. 20. 2 Ch. 30. 5.
[i] 1 Co. 10. 7.
[k] ver. 4.
[l] De. 9. 12. ch. 33. 4, 5.
[m] 2 Ch. 24. 19.
[n] Ge. 6. 11, 12. De. 4. 16. 32. 5. Ju. 2. 19. Ho. 9. 9.
[o] *those that rose up against them.*
[p] De. 9. 16.
[q] 1 Ki. 12. 28.
[r] 2 Ch. 30. 8. Is. 48. 4. Ac. 7. 51.
[s] Nu. 25. 5. De. 33. 9.
[t] Nu. 14. 12.
[u] Ps. 74. 1, 2. 106. 23.
[z] *the face of the LORD.*
[§] or, *And Moses said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, because every man hath been against his son, and against his brother &c.*
[w] De. 13. 6-11. 18. 15. 18, 22. Pr. 21. 3. Zec. 13. 3. Mat. 10. 37.
[‖] *Kill your hands.*
[x] Nu. 14. 18. De. 32. 27.
[y] 1 Sa. 12. 20, 23. Lu. 15. 18.
[z] 2 Sa. 16. 12. Am. 5. 15.
[a] Ge. 22. 16. He. 6. 13.
[b] Ge. 12. 7.
[c] Ro. 9. 3.
[d] Ps. 56. 8. 139. 16. Da. 12. 1. Php. 4. 3. Re. 3. 5.
[e] 2 Sa. 24. 16. 1 Ch. 21. 15. Je. 26. 13, 19. Joel 2. 13. Jon. 3. 10.
[f] Ex. 18. 4.
[§] Nu. 20. 16.
[h] Am. 3. 14. Ro. 2. 5, 6.
[i] 2 Sa. 12. 9. Ac. 7. 41.

18 And he said, *It is* not the voice of *them that* shout for mastery, neither *is it* the voice of *them that* cry for [z] being overcome: *but* the noise of *them that* sing do I hear.

19 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount.

20 And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt *it* in the fire, and ground *it* to powder, and strawed *it* upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink *of it*.

21 And Moses said unto Aaron, [a] What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought so great a sin upon them?

22 And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: [b] thou knowest the people, that they *are set* on mischief.

23 For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us: for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

24 And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break *it* off. So they gave *it* me: then I cast it into the fire, and there [c] came out this calf.

25 ¶ And when Moses saw that the people *were* [d] naked; (for Aaron [e] had made them naked unto *their* shame among [f] their enemies:)

26 Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who *is* on the LORD's side? *let him come* unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.

27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, *and* go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and [g] slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.

28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

29 § For [w] Moses had said, [‖] Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day.

30 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, [x] Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; [y] peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.

31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.

32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—: and if not, [z] blot me, I pray thee, [a] out of thy book which thou hast written.

33 And the LORD said unto Moses, [b] Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

34 Therefore now go, lead the people unto *the place* of which I have spoken unto thee: [c] behold, mine Angel shall go before thee: nevertheless [d] in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.

35 And the LORD [e] plagued the people, because [f] they made the calf, which Aaron made.

CHAP. XXXIII.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Depart, *and* go up hence, thou and the people

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which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land which I sware unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, *c* Unto thy seed will I give it:

2 And I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite:

3 Unto *a* a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou *art* a stiffnecked people: lest *f* I consume thee in the way.

4 ¶ And when the people heard these evil tidings, *d* they mourned: *h* and no man did put on him his ornaments.

5 For the LORD had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye *are* a stiffnecked people: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.

6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.

7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, *that* every one which *m* sought the LORD went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which *was* without the camp.

8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the tabernacle, *that* all the people rose up, and stood every man *n* at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the tabernacle.

9 And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood *at* the door of the tabernacle, and *the LORD* talked with Moses.

10 And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand *at* the tabernacle door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man *in* his tent door.

11 And *m* the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle.

12 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, *g* I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, *i* shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation *is* *k* thy people.

14 And he said, *d* My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee *e* rest.

15 And he said unto him, *f* If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? *is it* not in that thou goest with us? so *k* shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that *are* upon the face of the earth.

17 And the LORD said unto Moses, *l* I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me *o* thy glory.

19 And he said, *p* I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; *q* and will be *b* gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for *d* there shall no man see me, and live.

21 And the LORD said, Behold, *there is* a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee *r* in a cleft of the rock, and will *b* cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall *t* not be seen.

CHAP. XXXIV.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, *m* Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon *these* tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.

2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount.

3 And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount.

4 ¶ And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed *r* the name of the LORD.

6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD *s* God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in *s* goodness and truth,

7 Keeping *t* mercy for thousands, *u* forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and *v* that will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation*.

8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

9 And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us; for it *is* a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for *x* thine inheritance.

10 ¶ And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will *c* do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou *art* shall see the work of the LORD: for it *is* *d* a terrible thing that I will do with thee.

11 Observe *h* thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for *m* a snare in the midst of thee:

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their *o* images, and *o* cut down their groves:

14 For thou shalt worship no other god:

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a Ro. 9. 15, 16, 18.
b Ro. 4. 4, 16.
c Ge. 12. 7.
d Ge. 32. 30. Ju. 6. 22. 13. 22. Is. 6. 5. Re. 1. 16, 17.
e ch. 3. 8.
f ch. 23. 21. 32. 10. Nu. 16. 21, 45
g Is. 2. 21.
h Ps. 91. 1, 4.
i Nu. 14. 13, 19.
k 2 Sa. 19. 24. 2 Ki. 19. 4. Ezr. 9. 3. Job 1. 20. Is. 32. 11. Eze. 24. 17, 23
l Jno. 1. 18.
m De. 10. 1..4.
n De. 4. 29. 2 Sa. 21. 1.
o Nu. 16. 27.
p Ps. 99. 7.
r Nu. 14. 17.
s 2 Ch. 30. 9. Ne. 9. 17. Ps. 116. 5. Joel 2. 13.
t Ps. 31. 19. Ro. 2. 4.
u Ge. 32. 30. Nu. 12. 8. De. 34. 10.
v Da. 9. 4.
w Ps. 103. 3. 130. 4. Da. 9. 9. Ep. 4. 32. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
x Jos. 24. 19. Job 10. 14. Mi. 6. 11. Na. 1. 3.
y Ge. 18. 19. Je. 1. 19. Jno. 10. 14, 15. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
z Ps. 86. 11.
a Ps. 94. 14. Je. 10. 16. Zec. 2. 12.
b Joel 2. 17.
c 2 Sa. 7. 23.
d ch. 40. 34., 35. Is. 64. 3.
e De. 3. 20. Jos. 22. 4. Ps. 95. 11.
f ver. 3.
g De. 10. 21. Ps. 145. 6. Is. 64. 3.
h Jno. 14. 21.
i Nu. 14. 14.
k De. 4. 7, 34. 2 Sa. 7. 23. 1 Ki. 8. 53. Ps. 147. 20.
l Ge. 19. 21. Ja. 5. 16.
m ch. 23. 33. 1 Ti. 6. 16.
o *statues.*
p Jn. 6. 29. 2 Ki. 18. 4. 23. 14.
r ch. 34. 5..7. Je. 31. 14.

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for the LORD, whose [a] name *is* Jealous, *is* a jealous God:

15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they [c] go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and *one* [d] call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice;

16 And thou take of [e] their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.

17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.

18 ¶ The feast of [f] unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt.

19 All [i] that openeth the matrix *is* mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, *whether* ox or sheep, *that is male.*

20 But [l] the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a [t] lamb: and if thou redeem *him* not, then shalt thou break his neck. All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear before me [m] empty.

21 [n] Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.

22 ¶ And [o] thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the [u] year's end.

23 ¶ Thrice [p] in the year shall all your menchildren appear before the Lord GOD, the God of Israel.

24 For I will [q] cast out the nations before thee, and [r] enlarge thy borders: [s] neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year.

25 Thou [y] shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; [z] neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.

26 The [b] first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the LORD thy God. [c] Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou [d] these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.

28 And [f] he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And [m] he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten [§] commandments.

29 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the [g] two tables of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses wist not that [r] the skin of his face shone while he talked with him.

30 And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come nigh him.

31 And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them.

32 And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: [u] and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai.

33 And *till* Moses had done speaking with them, he put [v] a vail on his face.

34 But when Moses went in before the

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[a] So Ia. 9. 6. 57. 15.
[b] He. 4. 16. 10. 19. 22.
[c] Ju. 2. 17. Je. 3. 9. Eze. 6. 9.
[d] Nu. 25. 2. 1 Co. 10. 27.
[e] Esr. 9. 2.
[f] ch. 12. 15.
[g] ch. 34. 32.
[h] ch. 20. 9. 31. 14, 15. Le. 23. 3. Nu. 15. 32, &c. De. 5. 12. Lu. 13. 14.
[i] *holiness.*
[l] Eze. 44. 30. Lu. 2. 23.
[k] ch. 16. 23.
[l] Nu. 18. 15.
[t] or, *kid.*
[m] 1 Sa. 9. 7, 8. 2 Sa. 24. 24.
[n] ch. 23. 2.
[o] ch. 23. 16.
[u] *revolution of the year.*
[p] ch. 23. 14, 17. De. 16. 16.
[q] ch. 23. 6.
[r] Le. 18. 24. De 7. 1. Ps. 78. 55. 80. 8.
[s] De. 12. 20. 19. 8.
[y] ch. 31. 6.
[z] Ge. 35. 5. 2 Ch. 17. 10. Pr. 16. 7. Ac. 18. 10.
[a] ch. 26. 1, 2, &c.
[y] ch. 23. 18.
[z] ch. 12. 10.
[a] ch. 25. 10, &c
[b] ch. 23. 19. De. 26. 2, 10.
[c] ch. 23. 23.
[d] De. 14. 21.
[e] ch. 25. 30. Le. 24. 5, 6.
[f] ch. 23. 31, &c.
[g] De. 4. 13. 31. 9.
[h] ch. 30. 1.
[i] ch. 30. 23.
[k] ch. 30. 34.
[l] ch. 21. 18. De. 9. 9, 18.
[m] ch. 31. 18. De. 10. 2, 4.
[n] ch. 27. 1.
[§] *words.*
[o] ch. 27. 9.
[p] ch. 32. 15, 16.
[q] Mat. 17. 2. 2 Co. 3. 7, 13.
[r] ch. 31. 10. 39. 1, 41. Nu. 4. 5, 6. &c.
[t] ver. 5. 2. 35. 29. ch. 25. 2. 36. 2. 1 Ch. 28. 2, 9. 29. 9. Esr. 7. 27. 2 Co. 8. 12. 9. 7.
[u] ch. 24. 3.
[v] 2 Co. 3. 13, 16.

LORD to speak with him, [b] he took the vail off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel *that* which he was commanded.

35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the vail upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

CHAP. XXXV.

AND Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto them, [c] These *are* the words which the LORD hath commanded, that *ye* should do them.

2 Six [k] days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you [a] an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

3 Ye [l] shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

4 ¶ And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

5 Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: [b] whosoever *is* of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD; gold, and silver, and brass,

6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*,

7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,

8 And oil for the light, [r] and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense,

9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

10 And [s] every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded;

11 The [t] tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,

12 The [u] ark, and the staves thereof, *with* the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,

13 The [v] table, and his staves, and all his vessels, [r] and the shewbread,

14 The [f] candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

15 And [h] the incense altar, and his staves, [r] and the anointing oil, and [k] the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,

16 The [a] altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

17 The [b] hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door of the court,

18 The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

19 The [c] cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.

20 ¶ And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses.

21 And they came, every one [t] whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, *and* they brought the LORD's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.

22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, *and* brought bracelets, and earrings, and

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rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered *offered* an offering of gold unto the LORD.

23 And [a] every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought *them*.

24 Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the LORD'S offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought *it*.

25 And all the women that were [d] wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, *both* of blue, and of purple, *and* of scarlet, and of fine linen.

26 And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' *hair*.

27 And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate;

28 And [e] spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

29 The children of Israel brought a [h] willing offering unto the LORD, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

30 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, [i] the LORD hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;

31 And he hath [k] filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

32 And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

33 And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of cunning work.

34 And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, *both* he, and [l] Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

35 Them hath he [p] filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of work, of the engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, *even* of them that do any work, and of those that devise [r] cunning work.

CHAP. XXXVI.

THEN wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every [s] wise hearted man, in whom the LORD put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the [t] sanctuary, according [u] to all that the LORD had commanded.

2 And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and *every* wise hearted man, in whose heart the LORD had put wisdom, *even* every one [x] whose heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it:

3 And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel [y] had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every [z] morning.

4 And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they made;

5 And they spake unto Moses, saying, [a] The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.

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[a] 1 Ch. 29. 8.

[b] ch. 26. 1.

[c] 1 Ch. 15. 1.

[d] ch. 28. 3. 31. 6. 35. 1. 2 Ki. 23. 7. Pr. 31. 19, 22, 24.

[e] 1 Ki. 6. 23. 2 Ch. 3. 10. Eze. 1. 5., 28. 10. 1., 19.

[f] 1 Ch. 29. 6. Ezr. 2. 68.

[g] ch. 28. 23.

[h] 1 Ch. 29. 9.

[i] ch. 35. 5.

[k] ch. 31. 2, &c. 1 Ki. 7. 13, 14. Is. 28. 16. Jno. 3. 27. 1 Co. 3. 10. 12. 4, 11. Ja. 1. 17.

[l] 1 Co. 12. 20. Ep. 2. 20., 22. 1 Pe. 2. 4, 5.

[m] ch. 26. 7.

[n] Is. 11. 2, 3. 61. 1., 3. Col. 2. 3.

[o] ch. 31. 6.

[p] ch. 31. 3. 1 Ki. 7. 14. 2 Ch. 2. 14. Is. 28. 26. 54. 16.

[r] ch. 26. 14.

[s] 1 Co. 1. 5, 7. 12. 4, 8, 12. Ga. 3. 5. 2 Ti. 2. 15.

[t] ch. 38. 15.

[u] ch. 25. 5, 10. De. 10. 3.

[x] ch. 28. 3. 31. 6. 35. 10, 35.

[y] ch. 25. 2. He. 8. 2.

[z] Ps. 119. 6. Mat. 28. 20. Lu. 1. 6.

[a] ch. 25. 21, 26. 1 Ch. 29. 5.

[b] ch. 35. 27.

[c] Ps. 5. 3. Is. 50. 4.

[d] 2 Ch. 24. 14. 31. 6., 10. 2 Co. 8. 2, 3. Phi. 2. 21. 4. 17, 18.

[e] *twined.*

6 And Moses gave commandment, and they [b] caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing.

7 For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

8 ¶ And [c] every wise hearted man among them that [d] wrought the work of the tabernacle made ten curtains *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* [e] cherubims of cunning work made he them.

9 The length of one curtain *was* twenty and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: the curtains *were* all of one size.

10 And he coupled the five curtains one unto another; and *the other* five curtains he coupled one unto another.

11 And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the uttermost side of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.

12 Fifty [f] loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain which *was* in the coupling of the second: the loops held one *curtain* to another.

13 And he made fifty taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one unto another with the taches: so it became [g] one tabernacle.

14 ¶ And [h] he made curtains *of* goats' *hair* for the tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains he made them.

15 The length of one curtain *was* thirty cubits, and four cubits *was* the breadth of one curtain: the eleven curtains *were* of one size.

16 And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves.

17 And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

18 And he made fifty taches *of* brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one.

19 And [i] he made a covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering *of* badgers' skins above *that*.

20 ¶ And [k] he made boards for the tabernacle *of* shittim wood, standing up.

21 The length of a board *was* ten cubits, and the breadth of a board one cubit and a half.

22 One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

23 And he made boards for the tabernacle; twenty boards for the south side southward:

24 And forty sockets of silver he made under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

25 And for the other side of the tabernacle, *which* is toward the north corner, he made twenty boards,

26 And their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

27 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward he made six boards.

28 And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.

29 And they were [l] coupled beneath,

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and coupled together at the head thereof, to one ring: thus he did to both of them in both the corners.

28 And there were eight boards; and their sockets *were* sixteen sockets of silver, [o] under every board two sockets.

31 ¶ And he made [d] bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,

32 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle for the sides westward.

33 And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the one end to the other.

34 And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings *of* gold *to be* places for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.

35 ¶ And he made [e] a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: *with* cherubims made he it of cunning work.

36 And he made thereunto four pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks *were of* gold; and he cast for them four sockets of silver.

37 ¶ And he made an [z] hanging for the tabernacle door *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, [z] *of needlework*;

38 And the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and their fillets with gold: but their five sockets *were of* brass.

CHAP. XXXVII.

AND Bezaleel made [f] the ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *was* the length of it, and a cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it:

2 And he overlaid it with pure gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it round about.

3 And he cast for it four rings of gold, *to be set* by the four corners of it; even two rings upon the one side of it, and two rings upon the other side of it.

4 And he made staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with [h] gold.

5 And he put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, to bear the ark.

6 ¶ And he made the [i] mercy seat *of* pure gold: two cubits and a half *was* the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

7 And he made [m] two cherubims *of* gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat;

8 One cherub [§] on the end on this side, and another cherub [§] on the *other* end on that side: out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

9 And the cherubims [o] spread out *their* wings on high, *and* covered with their wings over the mercy seat, with their faces one to another; *even* to the mercy seatward were the faces of the cherubims.

10 ¶ And he made [p] the table *of* shittim wood: two cubits *was* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof:

11 And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a crown of gold round about.

12 Also he made thereunto a border of an hand breadth round about; and made a crown of gold for the border thereof round about.

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[o] *two sockets, two sockets under one board.*
[d] ch. 26. 26.
[e] ch. 25. 29. 1 Ki. 7. 50. 2 Ki. 12. 13. Je. 52. 18, 19. 2 Ti. 2. 20.
† or, *to join out withal.*
[z] ch. 25. 31. Le. 24. 4. 1 Ch. 28. 15. 2 Ch. 13. 11. Zec. 4. 2, 11. Mat. 5. 15. Phi. 2. L. Re. 9. 2. Re. 2. 1. 5.
[a] ch. 26. 34. Mat. 27. 51. Re. 10. 20.
[z] ch. 26. 36.
[z] *the work of a needle-worker, or, embroiderer.*
[f] Nu. 17 8. Re. 12. 5. Je. 1. 11.
[g] ch. 25. 10. 26. 33. 31. 7. 40. 3, 20, 21. Nu. 10. 33. 36
[h] ch. 25. 27. Nu. 3. 2. Zec. 4. 2. Re. 1. 1, 20. 4. 5.
[i] ch. 30. 1. 2 Ch. 26. 16. Mat. 23. 19. La. 1. 9, 10. He. 7. 22. 13. 10. Re. 8. 3, 4.
[k] 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[l] ch. 25. 17. Le. 16. 12, 15. 1 Ch. 28. 11. Ro. 3. 25. He. 9. 5. 1 Joo. 2. 2.
[m] 1 Ki. 6. 23, 29. Ps. 80. 1.
§ or, *one of, &c.*
[n] ch. 38. 23, 24. Ps. 23. 5. 92. 10. 2 Co. 1. 21, 22. 1 Joo. 2. 20, 27
‖ or, *out of, &c.*
[o] Ge. 3. 24. 28. 12. Is. 6. 2, 3. Eze. X. Joo. 1. 51. He. 1. 14.
[p] ch. 27. 1. 40. 6, 22.
2 Ch. 4. 1. Eze. 43. 13.. 17. Ro. 8. 3, 4. 12. 1. He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[r] ch. 25. 23. Eze. 40. 39 .42. Mal. 1. 12. Col. 1. 27.
[s] 1 Ki. 7. 48.

13 And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that *were* in the four feet thereof.

14 Over against the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table.

15 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.

16 And he made the vessels which *were* upon the table, his [r] dishes, and his spoons, and his bowls, and his covers † to cover withal, *of* pure gold.

17 ¶ And he made the [s] candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:

18 And six branches going out of the sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side thereof:

19 Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a knop and a flower; and three bowls made like almonds in another branch, a knop and a flower: so throughout the six branches going out of the candlestick.

20 And in the candlestick *were* four bowls made like *f* almonds, his knops, and his flowers:

21 And a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.

22 Their knops and their branches were of the same: all of it *was* one beaten work *of* pure gold.

23 And he made his seven [k] lamps, and his snuffers, and his snuffdishes, *of* pure gold.

24 *Of* a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels thereof.

25 ¶ And [t] he made the incense altar *of* shittim wood: the length of it *was* a cubit, and the breadth of it a cubit; *it was* foursquare; and two cubits *was* the height of it; the horns thereof were of the same.

26 And he overlaid it with pure gold, *both* the top of it, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a crown of gold round about.

27 And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it, upon the two sides thereof, to be places for the staves to bear it withal.

28 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.

29 ¶ And he made [u] the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the apothecary.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

AND [v] he made the altar of burnt offering *of* shittim wood: five cubits *was* the length thereof, and five cubits the breadth thereof; *it was* foursquare; and three cubits the height thereof.

2 And he made the horns thereof on the four corners of it; the horns thereof were of the same: and he overlaid it with brass.

3 And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels, and the basons, *and* the [z] fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof made he *of* brass.

4 And he made for the altar a brasen grate *of* network under the compass thereof beneath unto the midst of it.

[t] ch. 25. 29. 1 Ki. 7. 50. 2 Ki. 12. 13. Je. 52. 18, 19. 2 Ti. 2. 20.
[u] ch. 25. 31. Le. 24. 4. 1 Ch. 28. 15. 2 Ch. 13. 11. Zec. 4. 2, 11. Mat. 5. 15. Phi. 2. L. Re. 9. 2. Re. 2. 1. 5.
[v] ch. 26. 34. Mat. 27. 51. Re. 10. 20.
[z] ch. 26. 36.
[z] *the work of a needle-worker, or, embroiderer.*
[f] Nu. 17 8. Re. 12. 5. Je. 1. 11.
[g] ch. 25. 10. 26. 33. 31. 7. 40. 3, 20, 21. Nu. 10. 33. 36
[h] ch. 25. 27. Nu. 3. 2. Zec. 4. 2. Re. 1. 1, 20. 4. 5.
[i] ch. 30. 1. 2 Ch. 26. 16. Mat. 23. 19. La. 1. 9, 10. He. 7. 22. 13. 10. Re. 8. 3, 4.
[k] 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[l] ch. 25. 17. Le. 16. 12, 15. 1 Ch. 28. 11. Ro. 3. 25. He. 9. 5. 1 Joo. 2. 2.
[m] 1 Ki. 6. 23, 29. Ps. 80. 1.
§ or, *one of, &c.*
[n] ch. 38. 23, 24. Ps. 23. 5. 92. 10. 2 Co. 1. 21, 22. 1 Joo. 2. 20, 27
‖ or, *out of, &c.*
[o] Ge. 3. 24. 28. 12. Is. 6. 2, 3. Eze. X. Joo. 1. 51. He. 1. 14.
[p] ch. 27. 1. 40. 6, 22.
2 Ch. 4. 1. Eze. 43. 13.. 17. Ro. 8. 3, 4. 12. 1. He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[r] ch. 25. 23. Eze. 40. 39 .42. Mal. 1. 12. Col. 1. 27.
[s] 1 Ki. 7. 48.

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5 And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of brass, *to be* places for the staves.

6 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with brass.

7 And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the altar, to bear it withal; he made the altar hollow with boards.

8 ¶ And he made [d] the laver *of* brass, and the foot of it *of* brass, of the [†] looking-glasses of *the women* [‡] assembling, which assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

9 ¶ And he made [e] the court: on the southside southward the hangings of the court *were of* fine twined linen, an hundred cubits:

10 Their pillars *were* twenty, and their brasen sockets twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *were of* silver.

11 And for the north side *the hangings were* an hundred cubits, their pillars *were* twenty, and their sockets of brass twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.

12 And for the west side *were* hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.

13 And for the east side eastward fifty cubits.

14 The hangings of the one side *of the gate were* fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And for the other side of the court gate, on this hand and that hand, *were* hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 All the hangings of the court round about *were* of fine twined linen.

17 And the sockets for the pillars *were of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver; and the overlaying of their chapiters *of* silver; and all the pillars of the court *were* filleted with silver.

18 And the hanging for the gate of the court *was* needlework, *of* [m] blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits *was* the length, and the height in the breadth *was* five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.

19 And their pillars *were* four, and their sockets *of* brass four; their hooks *of* silver, and the overlaying of their chapiters and their fillets *of* silver.

20 And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, *were of* brass.

21 [n] This is the sum of the tabernacle, *even* of [t] the tabernacle of testimony, as it was counted, according to the commandment of Moses, *for* the service of the Levites, [u] by the hand of Ithamar, son to Aaron the priest.

22 And [v] Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the LORD commanded Moses.

23 And with him *was* [a] Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.

24 All [b] the gold that was occupied for the work in all the work of the holy *place*, even the gold of the [c] offering, was twenty and nine talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after [d] the shekel of the sanctuary.

25 And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation *was* an hundred talents, and a thousand seven

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[a] ch. 30. 13, 15.

[c] *a poll.*

[b] ch. 12. 37. Nu. 1. 46.

[c] ch. 30. 18.

[†] *or, brasen glasses.*

[d] ch. 38. 19, 21, 25, 32.

[‡] *assembling by troops,* as 1 Sa. 2. 22.

[e] ch. 27. 9. Ps. 84. 2, 10. 92. 13. 100. 4. 116. 19.

[f] ch. 26. 37. 27. 10.

[g] ch. 25. 4. 26. 1. 35. 23.

[h] ch. 31. 10. 35. 19.

[i] Ps. 93. 5. Ezek. 43. 12. He. 9. 12, 23.

[k] ch. 28. 4.

[l] ch. 28. 6. Le. 8. 7.

[m] ch. 26. 1. 36. 8.

[n] 2 Ch. 3. 14.

[o] ch. 38. 8. 29. 5. Is. 11. 5. Re. 1. 13.

[p] Mat. 28. 20. 1 Co. 11. 23. He. 11. 19, 23.

[q] ch. 28. 9.

[r] ch. 27. 19. 2 Ch. 3. 9. Ezr. 9. 8. Ec. 12. 11. Is. 22. 23. 33. 20. Ep. 2. 21, 22. Col. 2. 19.

[s] ch. 28. 12.

[t] Nu. 1. 50, 53. 9. 15. 10. 11. 17. 7, 8. 18. 2. 2 Ch. 24. 6. Ac. 7. 44.

[u] ch. 28. 15.

[x] Nu. 4. 28, 33.

[v] ch. 31. 2, 6.

[a] ch. 35. 34, 35.

[a] ch. 28. 17, &c.

[§] *or, ruby.*

[b] 1 Ch. 22. 14. 29. 2, 7. Hag. 2. 8.

[c] ch. 25. 2. 29. 24. 35. 22.

[d] ch. 30. 13, 24. Le. 5. 15. 27. 3, 25. Nu. 3. 47. 18. 16.

hundred and threescore and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary:

26 A [e] bekah for [e] every man, *that is*, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for [b] six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty *men*.

27 And of the hundred talents of silver were cast [d] the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the vail; an hundred sockets of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.

28 And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five *shekels* he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters, and filleted them.

29 And the brass of the offering *was* seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels.

30 And therewith he made the sockets to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate for it, and all the vessels of the altar,

31 And [f] the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the court gate, and all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

CHAP. XXXIX.

AND [g] of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made [h] cloths of service, to do service in the [i] holy *place*, and made the holy garments for Aaron; [k] as the LORD commanded Moses.

2 And [l] he made the ephod *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut *it into* wires, to work *it* in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, *with* [m] cunning work.

4 They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple *it* together: by the two edges was it coupled together.

5 And the [o] curious girdle of his ephod, that *was* upon it, *was* of the same, according to the work thereof; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD [p] commanded Moses.

6 [q] And [q] they wrought onyx stones inclosed in ouches of gold, graven, as signets are graven, with the names of the children of Israel.

7 And he put them on the shoulders of the ephod, *that they should be* stones for a [r] memorial to the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses.

8 [s] And [s] he made the breastplate *of* cunning work, like the work of the ephod; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

9 It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span *was* the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof, *being* doubled.

10 And [t] they set in it four rows of stones: *the first* row *was* a [§] sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this *was* the first row.

11 And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

12 And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: *they were* inclosed in ouches of gold in their inclosings.

14 And the stones *were* according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names *like* the engrav

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ings of a signet, every one with his name, according [a] to the twelve tribes.

15 And they made upon the breastplate [b] chains at the ends, *of* wreathen work *of* pure gold.

16 And they made two ouches *of* gold, and two gold rings; and put the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.

17 And they put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings on the ends of the breastplate.

18 And the two ends of the two wreathen chains they fastened in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, before it.

19 And they made two rings of gold, and put *them* on the two ends of the breastplate, upon the border of it, which was on the side of the ephod inward.

20 And they made two *other* golden rings, and put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart of it, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.

21 And they did bind the breastplate by his rings unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from the ephod; as the LORD [c] commanded Moses.

22 ¶ And [d] he made the robe of the ephod *of* woven work, all *of* blue.

23 And *there was* an hole in the midst of the robe, as the hole of an habergeon, *with* a band round about the hole, that it should not rend.

24 And they made upon the hems of the robe pomegranates *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, *and* twined *linen*.

25 And they made [e] bells *of* pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the pomegranates;

26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister *in*; as the LORD commanded Moses.

27 [f] And [g] they made coats *of* fine linen *of* woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,

28 And [h] a mitre *of* fine linen, and goodly bonnets *of* fine linen, and [i] linen breeches *of* fine twined linen,

29 And [k] a girdle *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, *of* needlework; as the LORD commanded Moses.

30 ¶ And [l] they made the plate of the [m] holy crown *of* pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, *like to* the engravings of a signet, [n] HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

31 And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten it on high upon the mitre; as the LORD commanded Moses.

32 ¶ Thus was all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation finished: and the children of Israel did [o] according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

33 ¶ And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all his furniture, his taches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and his sockets,

34 And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of badgers' skins, and the vail of the covering,

35 The ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the [p] mercy seat,

36 The table, *and* all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread,

37 The pure candlestick, *with* the lamps thereof, *even with* the lamps [q] to be set in order, and all the vessels thereof, and the oil *for* light,

38 And the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and [r] the sweet incense, and the hanging for the tabernacle door,

39 The brasen altar, and his grate of brass, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and his sockets, and the hanging for the court gate, his cords, and his pins, and all the vessels of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent of the congregation,

41 The cloths of service to do service in the holy *place*, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and his sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office.

42 According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel [s] made all the work.

43 And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done it as the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses [t] blessed them.

CHAP. XL.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 On the first day of the [a] first month shalt thou set up [b] the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation.

3 And [c] thou shalt put therein the ark of the testimony, and cover the ark with the vail.

4 And [d] thou shalt bring in the table, and [e] set in order [f] the things that are to be set in order upon it; [g] and thou shalt bring in the candlestick, and light the lamps thereof.

5 And [h] thou shalt set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the testimony, and put the hanging of the door to the tabernacle.

6 And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation.

7 And [i] thou shalt set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and shalt put water therein.

8 And thou shalt set up the court round about, and hang up the hanging at the court gate.

9 And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and [k] anoint the tabernacle, and all that *is* therein, and shalt hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it shall be holy.

10 And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and [l] it shall be an altar [m] most holy.

11 And thou shalt anoint the laver and his foot, and sanctify it.

12 And [n] thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and wash them with water.

13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, [o] and anoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

14 And thou shalt bring his sons, and clothe them with coats:

15 And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office: for their anointing shall surely be [p] an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations.

16 Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.

17 ¶ And it came to pass in the first

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[a] Re. 21. 12.
[b] 2 Ch. 3. 5. Ca. 1. 10. Jno. 10. 28. 17. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 5. Jude 1.
[c] ch. 35. 10.
[d] Le. 9. 22, 23. Nu. 6. 23. Jos. 22. 6. 2 Sa. 6. 18. 1 Ki. 8. 14. 2 Ch. 30 27.
[e] ch. 12. 2. 13. 4.
[f] Mat. 16. 24. 1 Co. 1. 25. 27.
[g] ch. 26. 1, 30.
[h] ch. 28. 31.
[i] ch. 26. 33. Nu. 4. 5.
[k] ch. 26. 35.
[l] ch. 25. 30. Le. 24. 5, 6.
[m] *the order thereof.*
[n] He. 9. 2. Re. 1. 12, 20. 2. 1, 5.
[o] ch. 28. 33.
[p] Jno. 14. 6. He. 10. 19. 22. 1 Jno. 2. 1, 2.
[q] ch. 30. 18.
[r] ch. 28. 39, 40.
[s] ch. 28. 4, 39. Eze. 44. 18.
[t] ch. 26. 42.
[u] ch. 28. 39.
[v] ch. 30. 26.
[w] ch. 28. 36, 37.
[x] 2 Co. 5. 21. He. 7. 26.
[y] Zec. 14. 20. Tit. 2. 14. Re. 5. 10.
[z] ch. 29. 36, 37.
[a] *holiness of holinesses.*
[b] Le. 8. 1...13.
[c] ver. 42, 43. ch. 25. 40. De. 12. 32. 1 Sa. 15. 22. 1 Ch. 28. 19. Mat. 28. 20. He. 3. 2. 8. 5.
[d] ch. 28. 41.
[e] Nu. 25. 13. Ps. 110. 4. He. V. VII...X.
[f] He. 9. 5.
[g] Mat. 5. 14... 16. Phi. 2. 15.

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month in the second year, on the first *day* of the month, *that* the [a] tabernacle was reared up.

18 And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened his [b] sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and reared up his pillars.

19 And he spread abroad the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it; as the LORD commanded Moses.

20 ¶ And he took and put [c] the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy seat above upon the ark:

21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and [d] set up the vail of the covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; as the LORD commanded Moses.

22 ¶ And [e] he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the side of the tabernacle northward, without the vail.

23 And [m] he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the LORD had commanded Moses.

24 ¶ And [n] he put the candlestick in the tent of the congregation over against the table, on the side of the tabernacle southward.

25 And [p] he lighted the lamps before the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

26 ¶ And [q] he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation before the vail:

27 And [r] he burnt sweet incense thereon; as the LORD commanded Moses.

28 ¶ And [s] he set up the hanging *at* the door of the tabernacle

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[a] He. 13. 10.
[b] Nu. 3. 1.
[c] ch. 29. 3, 4, &c.
[d] ch. 30. 18.
[e] ch. 25. 16.
[f] ch. 30. 19, 20.
[g] ch. 27. 9, 16.
[h] ch. 7. 23. 35. 12.
[i] ch. 29. 44. Le. 16. 2. Nu. 9. 15. 1 Ki. 8. 10, 11. 2 Ch. 5. 13. 7. 2. Is. 6. 4. Hag. 2. 7, 9. Re. 15. 8.
[k] ch. 26. 35.
[l] Le. 16. 2. 1 Ki. 8. 11. 2 Ch. 5. 14.
[m] ver. 4.
[n] Ps. 119. 105.
[o] Nu. 9. 17. 10. 11. Ne. 9. 19.
[o] *journeyed.*
[p] ch. 25. 37.
[q] Nu. 9. 19. 22.
[r] ch. 30. 6.
[s] ch. 30. 34, 38.
[a] ch. 13. 21. Nu. 9. 15.
[b] Is. 4. 5, 6.
[c] ch. 26. 36.

29 And [c] he put the altar of burnt offering *by* the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation, and [c] offered upon it the burnt offering and the meat offering; as the LORD commanded Moses.

30 ¶ And [d] he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and put water there, to wash *withal.*

31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat:

32 When they went into the tent of the congregation, and when they came near unto the altar, they washed; [f] as the LORD commanded Moses.

33 And [g] he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses [h] finished the work.

34 ¶ Then [i] a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

35 And Moses [k] was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

36 And [l] when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel [o] went onward in all their journeys:

37 But [r] if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.

38 For [m] the cloud of the LORD *was* upon the tabernacle by day, and [n] fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. III.—MOUNT HOREB. In Scripture Horeb and Sinai are interchangeable terms. Events which in one place are said to have happened on one, in another place are said to have happened on the other: see Exod. xix.; Deu. v. If the two mounts are not the same, they are probably but different peaks or ridges of the same mount. Here God's glory appeared to Moses in the bush; here Israel encamped when they received the law; and here Elijah retreated when threatened by Jezebel, Exod. iii.; xix.; 1 Kings xix.

SANDALS. These were at first only soles tied to the feet, with strings or thongs. They afterwards became covered, and hence originated shoes. The covering of the foot was always considered as vile.

CH. V.—ENGRAVED BRICKS. Clay and straw trodden together, and made into bricks dried in the sun, were amongst the earliest materials used for building. In dry countries this composition would answer. Other bricks were burnt in the fire. Bricks were used where stone was scarce. Some bricks were about a foot square, and three inches thick; and some half that size. Their colours varied. Necessity enforced the use of the same bricks on the same spot for ages, and hence the bricks still found at Babylon. Many of these are engraved with the most curious objects and characters.

CH. XIV.—CHARIOTS AND HORSES. The first chariots mentioned in Scripture were those of the Egyptians, which seem to have been used chiefly for state or war. Usually a light frame stood for the warrior and his charioteer; and around them were hung the instruments of death convenient for use.

CH. XVI.—WILDERNESS OF SIN. This wilderness is situated on the eastern side of the western gulf of the Red Sea. It is no further remarkable than as being part of the route of the Israelites.

CH. XVIII.—SITTING. The common manner of sitting in all eastern countries has been for ages on the floor, and with the legs crossed. When inferior persons sit before great men, they half kneel, and rest a part of the body on the heels.

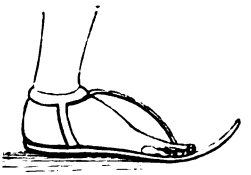
CH. XXV.—ARK OF THE COVENANT. In this ark were deposited the tables of the law, the golden pot of manna, and the budding rod of Aaron. The lid of this ark was the mercy-seat over which God manifested his glory. Exod. xvi.; xxv.; Num. xvi.; Heb. ix. Christ is our mercy-seat or propitiation, for the glory and grace of God are only to be seen in Christ, Rom. iii.

CH. XXVI.—TABERNACLE, or Tent. A moveable construction for Divine worship and sacrifices to God. It was very costly, containing gold equal to 175 tons, value of our money, silver worth nearly 36 tons, and brass worth 15 tons; total value of metals, 218,000*l.* sterling. In the cut the whole enclosure is seen, shewing an open court of about 150 feet in length, by 75 in breadth. This was enclosed by a curtain of fine twined linen yarn, of an open or net texture, of nearly three yards in height, being half the height of the tabernacle. The door curtain, seen in the front, was of fine twined linen, embroidered with blue, purple, and scarlet. This was furnished with five cords, which the priests drew up when they had occasion to enter. The curtains hung on sixty pillars of brass, standing on bases of the same metal, and having capitals and fillets of silver. The hooks of the curtain were also of silver. The entrances was at the east end. The nearest object on entering was the altar of burnt offering. Next beyond, and both nearer the tabernacle, was the laver. The tabernacle itself, in the more distant part, was 33 feet in length, 15 in breadth, and the same in height. The two sides and west end consisted of a framework of shittim-wood boards, of which there were twenty on each side, and eight at the west end. Each board had two tenons, which were received into sockets of solid silver. The boards were furnished with rings or staples, horizontal bars, and pillars, whereby through them from one end to the other; and the boards being fixed upright, two bars run along near the top, two near the bottom, and one in the middle. The boards and bars were of shittim-wood, overrun with thin plates of gold. The east end had no boards. We need not enter further into the minutiæ of this tabernacle than to add that it was divided into two apartments, separated by a rich veil or curtain. The first or larger one was "the holy place," containing the golden altar of incense, the table of shewbread, and the golden candlestick. The inner apartment, "the most holy place," or "holy of holies," contained only the ark of the covenant, and its contents, with its mercy-seat surmounted with the cherubim of glory overspreading the mercy-seat. For the spiritual signification of all this, see Heb. viii. 2; ix. 7, 11; Col. ii. 9.

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MOUNT HOREB.—*La Borde.*—Exod. iii. 1.

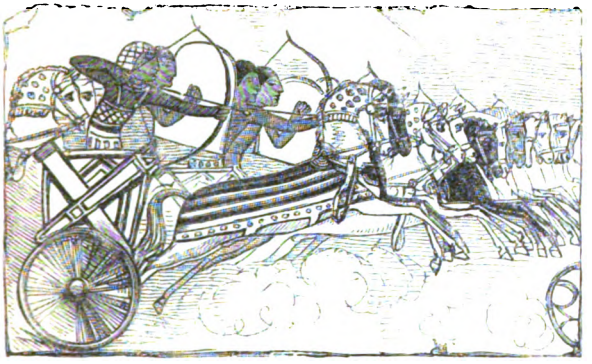


EGYPTIAN SANDAL.—*Rosellini.*



ENGRAVED OR STAMPED BRICKS—*British Museum.*—Exod. v. 7.

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EGYPTIAN CHARIOTS AND HORSES.—*Rosellini.*—Exod. xiv. 9.



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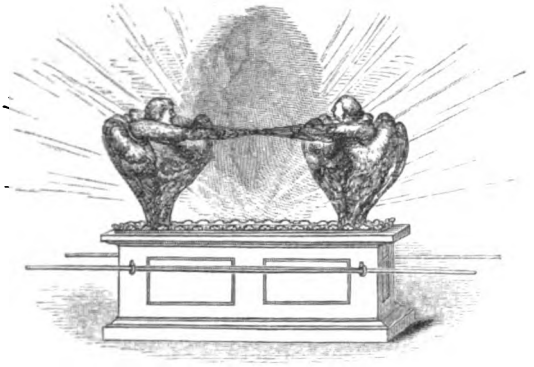


EASTERN MODES OF SITTING.—*Ancient Paintings.*—Exod. xviii. 14.

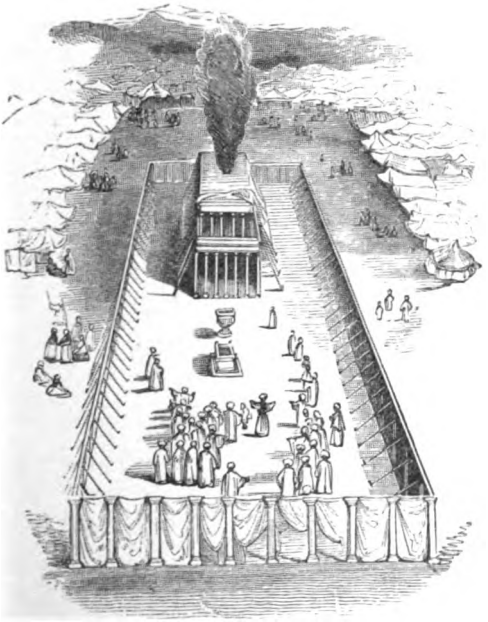
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SUPPOSED FORM OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT.—*Calmet.*—Exod. xxv. 19



THE TABERNACLE—*Taylor's Fragments.*—Exod. xxvi. 1.

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The Third Book of MOSES, called LEVITICUS.

Describes the Levitical laws and ceremonies.

CHAP. I.

AND the LORD [a] called unto Moses, and spake unto him [b] out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, *even* of the herd, and of the flock.

3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male [c] without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

4 And [d] he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be [e] accepted for him [f] to make atonement for him.

5 And he shall kill the [g] bullock before the LORD: [h] and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, [i] and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that *is by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.

7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and [k] lay the wood in order upon the fire:

8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, *to be* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a [l] sweet savour unto the LORD.

10 ¶ And if his offering *be of* the flocks, *namely*, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male [m] without blemish.

11 And [n] he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle his blood round about upon the altar.

12 And he shall cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat: and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring *it* all, and burn *it* upon the altar: it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

14 ¶ And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD *be of* fowls, then he shall bring his offering of [o] turtle doves, or of young pigeons.

15 And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and [p] wring off his head, and burn *it* on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the altar:

16 And he shall [q] pluck away his crop with [r] his feathers, and cast it [s] beside the altar on the east part, by the place of the ashes:

17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, *but* [t] shall not divide *it* asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that *is* upon the fire: it *is* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

CHAP. II.

AND when any will offer a [u] meat offering unto the LORD, his offering shall

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[a] Ex. 19. 3.
[b] Ex 40.34,35 Nu. 12. 4,5.
[c] ch. 5. 12. 6. 15. 24. 7. Is. 66. 3. Ac. 10. 4.
[d] ch. 7. 9. 10.12,13.
[e] Ex. 12. 5. De. 15. 21. Mal. 1. 14. Ep. 5. 27. Re. 5. 14.
[f] 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[g] Ex. 29. 37. Nu. 18. 9.
[h] ch. 16. 21. Ex. 29. 10, 15,19.
[i] ch.22.21,27. Is. 56. 7. Ro. 12. 1. Phi. 4. 18.
[k] ch. 9. 7. Nu. 15. 25. 2 Ch. 29.23, 24. Ro. 3. 11.
[l] Ex. 29. 2.
[m] Mi. 6. 6.
[n] 2 Ch. 35.11. Re. 10.11.
[o] *or, on a flat plate*, or, *dice*.
[p] ch. 3. 8. He. 13. 24. 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[q] Ge. 22. 9.
[r] Ex. 29. 16.
[s] Ge. 8. 21. Eze. 20. 28, 41. 2 Co. 2. 15. Ep. 5. 2.
[t] ver. 3.
[u] Mar. 8. 15. Lu. 12. 1. 1 Co. 5. 6. Ga. 5. 9.
[v] ver. 5.
[w] ch.23.10,11. Ex. 22. 29.
† *ascend.*
[x] Mar. 9. 49. Col. 4. 6.
[y] Nu. 18. 19.
[z] Eze. 43.24.
[a] ch.23.10,14.
[b] ch. 5. 7. 12. 8. Lu. 2. 24.
[c] 2 Ki. 4. 42.
‡ *or, pinch off the head with the nail.*
§ *or, the filth thereof.*
[d] ch. 6. 10.
[e] Ge. 15. 10.
[f] ch. 7. 11,33. 22. 21.
[g] ch. 1. 3.
[h] ch. 1. 4, 5. Ex. 29. 10.
[i] ch. 9. 17. Nu. 15. 4.

be *of* fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:

2 And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests: and he shall take therefrom his handful of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest shall burn [v] the memorial of it upon the altar, *to be* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD:

3 And [w] the remnant of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

4 ¶ And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the oven, *it shall be* unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers [x] anointed with oil.

5 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* [y] in a pan, it shall be *of* fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it *is* a meat offering.

7 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* in the fryingpan, it shall be made *of* fine flour with oil.

8 And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these things unto the LORD: and when it is presented unto the priest, he shall bring it unto the altar.

9 And the priest shall take from the meat offering a memorial thereof, and shall burn *it* upon the altar: *it is* an [z] offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

10 And that which is left of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be made with [a] leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, in any offering of the LORD made by fire.

12 ¶ As [b] for the oblation of the firstfruits, ye shall offer them unto the LORD: but they shall not † be burnt on the altar for a sweet savour.

13 And every oblation of thy meat offering [c] shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer [d] the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: [e] with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

14 And if thou offer a meat offering of thy firstfruits unto the LORD, [f] thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy firstfruits green ears of corn dried by the fire, *even* corn beaten out of [g] full ears.

15 And thou shalt put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it *is* a meat offering.

16 And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, *part* of the beaten corn thereof, and *part* of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: *it is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

CHAP. III.

AND if his oblation *be* a [h] sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer *it* of the herd; whether *it be* a male or female, he shall offer it [i] without blemish before the LORD.

2 And [k] he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and

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Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; [b] the [c] fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the [†] caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

5 And Aaron's sons [d] shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which *is* upon the wood that *is* on the fire: *it is* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

6 ¶ And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering unto the LORD *be* of the flock; male or female, [f] he shall offer it without blemish.

7 If he offer a lamb for his offering, then shall he [g] offer it before the LORD.

8 And he shall lay his hand [h] upon the head of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon the altar.

9 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat thereof, *and* the whole rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

11 And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: *it is* [k] the food of the offering made by fire unto the LORD.

12 ¶ And if his offering *be* a goat, then [l] he shall offer it before the LORD.

13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about.

14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

16 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: [n] all the fat *is* the LORD's.

17 *It shall be* a [o] perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither [p] fat nor [q] blood.

CHAP. IV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, [r] If a soul shall sin through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:

3 If [s] the priest that is anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring for his sin, which he hath sinned, [d] a young bullock without blemish unto the LORD for a sin offering.

4 And he shall bring the bullock [e] unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before the LORD.

5 And the priest that is anointed [e] shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the tabernacle of the congregation:

6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary.

7 And the priest shall [e] put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense before the LORD, which *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation; and shall pour [e] all the blood of the bullock at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

8 And he shall take off from it all the fat of the bullock for the sin offering; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away,

10 As [t] it was taken off from the bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall burn them upon the altar of the burnt offering.

11 And [k] the skin of the bullock, and all his flesh, with his head, and with his legs, and his inwards, and his dung,

12 Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth [‡] without the camp unto a clean place, [l] where the ashes are poured out, and [m] burn him on the wood with fire: [§] where the ashes are poured out shall he be burnt.

13 ¶ And [v] if the whole congregation of Israel sin through ignorance, [p] and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done *somewhat against* any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which should not be done, and are guilty;

14 When the sin, which they have sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle of the congregation.

15 And the elders of the congregation [e] shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before the LORD.

16 And [t] the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of the congregation:

17 And the priest shall dip his finger in *some* of the blood, and sprinkle *it* seven times before the LORD, *even* before the vail.

18 And he shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar which *is* before the LORD, that *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

19 And he shall take all his fat from him, and burn *it* upon the altar.

20 And he shall do with the bullock as he did [e] with the bullock for a sin offering, so shall he do with this: [e] and the priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them.

21 And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn him as he burned the first bullock: it *is* a sin offering for the congregation.

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[a] ch. 16. 14. Nu. 19. 4.
[b] ch. 4. 8, 9. Ex. 29. 13, 22
[c] or, *suet.*
[†] or, *midriff over the liver, and over the kidneys.*
[d] ch. 6. 12. Ex. 29. 13.
[e] ch. 5. 9.
[f] Ro. 12. 1. Tit. 2. 11, 12.
[g] 1 Ki. 8. 62. Ep. 5. 2. He. 9. 14.
[h] Is. 53. 6. 2 Co. 5. 21. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[i] ch. 3. 3, 5.
[k] Ex. 29. 14. Nu. 19. 5.
[‡] *to without the camp.*
[l] ch. 6. 11.
[m] He. 13. 11.
[§] *at the pouring out of the ashes.*
[n] ch. 21. 6, 8, 17, 21, 22. 22. 25. Eze. 44. 7. Mal. 1. 7, 12.
[o] Nu. 15. 24. Jos. 7. 11.
[p] ch. 5. 2, 4, 17.
[q] ver. 1, 7, &c.
[r] ch. 1. 4.
[s] He. 9. 12, 14.
[t] ch. 7. 33, 35. 1 Sa. 2. 15. 2 Ch. 7. 7.
[u] ch. 6. 18. 7. 36. 17. 7. 23. 14.
[v] De. 32. 14. Ne. 8. 10. He. 9. 9. 12.
[w] ch. 7. 23, 26. 17. 10, 14. Ge. 9. 4. De. 12. 16. 1 Sa. 14. 33. Eze. 44. 7, 15. Ac. 15. 20, 21, 29.
Ep. 1. 7. 1 Ti. 4. 4.
[x] ch. 5. 15, 17. Nu. 15. 22, &c. 1 Sa. 14. 27. Ps. 19. 12.
[y] ver. 3.
[z] ch. 8. 12.
[a] Nu. 15. 25. Da. 9. 24. Ro. 5. 11. He. 2. 17. 10. 10, 12. 1 Jno. 1. 7. 2. 2.
[b] ch. 9. 2.
[c] ch. 1. 3, 4.

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22 ¶ When a ruler hath sinned, and [b] done *somewhat* through ignorance *against* any of the commandments of the LORD his God *concerning things* which should not be done, and is guilty;

23 Or [c] if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a male without blemish:

24 And [d] he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.

25 And [e] the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it* [h] upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt offering.

26 And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as [i] the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings: [k] and the priest shall make an atonement for him as concerning his sin, and it shall be forgiven him.

27 ¶ And [m] if [t] any one of the [t] common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth *somewhat against* any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and be guilty;

28 Or [n] if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned.

29 And [o] he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering.

30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

31 And [p] he shall take away all the fat thereof, [q] as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn *it* upon the altar for a [r] sweet savour unto the LORD; [s] and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.

32 And if he bring [k] a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

33 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.

34 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings; and the priest shall burn them upon the altar, [t] according to the offerings made by *fire* unto the LORD: [k] and the priest shall make an atonement for his sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

CHAP. V.

AND if a soul sin, [m] and hear the voice of swearing, and *is* a witness, whether he hath seen or known *of it;* if he do not utter *it*, then he shall [v] bear his iniquity.

2 Or [p] if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether *it be* a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and *it* it be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty.

3 Or if he touch [a] the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness *it be* that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty.

4 Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with *his* lips [d] to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever *it be* that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty in one of these.

5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these *things*, that he shall [f] confess that he hath sinned in that *thing*:

6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats, for a sin offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sin.

7 And [i] if [w] he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his trespass, which he hath committed, two [m] turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering.

8 And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer *that* which [x] for the sin offering first, and [y] wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide *it* asunder:

9 And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and [r] the rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it *is* a sin offering.

10 And he shall offer the second *for* a burnt offering, according to [t] the [z] manner: [s] and the priest shall make an atonement for him for his sin which he hath sinned, and it shall be forgiven him.

11 ¶ But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, then he that sinned shall bring for his offering the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering; [y] he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put *any* frankincense thereon: for it *is* a sin offering.

12 Then shall he bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it, *even* a memorial thereof, and burn *it* on the altar, [e] according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.

13 And [d] the priest shall make an atonement for him as touching his sin that he hath sinned in one of these, and it shall be forgiven him: and [f] *the remnant* shall be the priest's, as a meat offering.

14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

15 If [g] a soul commit a trespass, and sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the LORD; then [i] he shall bring for his trespass unto the LORD a ram without blemish out of the flocks, with thy estimation by shekels of silver, after [k] the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass offering:

16 And he shall make amends for the harm that he hath done in the holy thing, and [l] shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.

17 ¶ And if a [m] soul sin, and commit any of these things which are forbidden to be done by the commandments of the LORD; [v] though he wist *it* not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his iniquity.

18 And he shall bring a ram [c] without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest:

[a] ch. XII. XIII. XV.
[b] ver. 2, 13.
[c] 2 Ki. 22. 10, 13.
[d] 1 Sa. 25. 22. Mar. 6. 23. Ac. 23. 12.
[e] Is. 53. 6.
[f] ch. 16. 21. 26. 40. Nu. 5. 7. Ezr. 10. 11, 12
[g] ch. 9. 9.
[h] Ro. 3. 24. 25. 10. 4. He. 2. 10.
[i] ch. 3. 5.
[k] Nu. 15. 28.
[l] ch. 14. 21.
[m] ch. 1. 14.
[n] Nu. 15. 27.
[o] ch. 5. 4.
[p] ch. 1. 15.
[q] ch. 4. 7, 18, 30, 34.
[r] He. 10. 14.
[s] ch. 1. 14.
[t] ch. 4. 26.
[u] ch. 3. 14.
[x] ch. 3. 3.
[y] Nu. 5. 15.
[z] ch. 1. 9. Ex. 29. 18.
[a] ver. 26.
[b] Jno. 1. 29. 36. He. 7. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[c] ch. 4. 35.
[d] ch. 4. 26.
[e] ch. 2. 3.
[f] ch. 23. 14.
[g] Esr. 10. 19.
[h] ch. 27. 25. Ex. 30. 13.
[i] ch. 3. 5.
[k] Nu. 15. 25. Ro. 4. 25. V. Ep. 1. 6, 7. 5. 2. Col. 1. 14.
[l] ch. 6. 5. 22. 14. 27. 13, 15, 27, 31. Nu. 5. 7.
[m] 1 Ki. 8. 31. Mat. 26. 63.
[n] ch. 4. 2.
[o] ch. 7. 18. 17. 16. 19. 8. 20. 17. Nu. 9. 13.
[p] ch. 11. 24, 28, 31, 39. Nu. 19. 11, 13, 16.
[r] Ps. 19. 12. Lu. 12. 48.
[s] 1 Ti. 1. 5, 6.

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and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he erred and wist *it* not, and it shall be forgiven him.

19 It *is* a trespass offering: [h] he hath certainly trespassed against the LORD.

CHAP. VI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 If a soul sin, and [a] commit a trespass against the LORD, and [f] lie unto his neighbour in that [k] which was delivered him to keep, or in [l] fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or hath [k] deceived his neighbour;

3 Or [l] have found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and [m] sweareth falsely; in any of all these that a man doeth, sinning therein:

4 Then it shall be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was delivered him to keep, or the lost thing which he found,

5 Or all that about which he hath sworn falsely; he shall even [p] restore it in the principal, and shall add the fifth part more thereto, *and* give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, [†] in the day of his trespass offering.

6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest:

7 And [m] the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD: and it shall be forgiven him for any thing of all that he hath done in trespassing therein.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the burnt offering: It *is* the burnt offering, [‡] because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it.

10 And [o] the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them [d] beside the altar.

11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes without the camp unto a clean place.

12 And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not be put out: and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and lay the burnt offering in order upon it; and he shall burn thereon [t] the fat of the peace offerings.

13 The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out.

14 ¶ And [f] this *is* the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before the LORD, before the altar.

15 And he shall take of it his handful, of the flour of the meat offering, and of the oil thereof, and all the frankincense which *is* upon the meat offering, and shall burn *it* upon the altar *for* a sweet savour, *even* the [u] memorial of it, unto the LORD.

16 And [v] the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: [o] with unleavened bread shall it be eaten in the holy place; in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation they shall eat it.

17 It [b] shall not be baken with leaven. [f] I have given it *unto them for* their portion of my offerings made by fire; [g] it *is* most holy, as *is* the sin offering, and as the trespass offering.

18 All the males among the children of Aaron shall eat of it. [h] *It shall be* a statute for ever in your generations concerning the offerings of the LORD made by fire: [i] every one that toucheth them shall be holy.

19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

20 This [k] is the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto the LORD in the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an [l] ephah of fine flour for a meat offering perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof at night.

21 In a pan it shall be made with oil; *and when it is* baken, thou shalt bring it in: *and* the baken pieces of the meat offering shalt thou offer *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD.

22 And the priest of his sons [m] that is anointed in his stead shall offer it: *it is* a statute for ever unto the LORD; [n] it shall be wholly burnt.

23 For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.

24 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

25 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the sin offering: [p] In the place where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering be killed before the LORD: [q] it is most holy.

26 The [r] priest that offereth it for sin shall eat it: [s] in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation.

27 Whatsoever [t] shall touch the flesh thereof shall be holy: and when there is sprinkled of the blood thereof upon any garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinkled in the holy place.

28 But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden [u] shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.

29 All [v] the males among the priests shall eat thereof: [g] it *is* most holy.

30 And [w] no sin offering, whereof *any* of the blood is brought into the tabernacle of the congregation to reconcile *withal* in the holy *place*, shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the fire.

CHAP. VII.

LIKEWISE [f] this *is* the law of the trespass offering: [g] it *is* most holy.

2 In [h] the place where they kill the burnt offering shall they kill the trespass offering: and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round about upon the altar.

3 And he shall offer of it [k] all the fat thereof; the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards,

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul *that is* above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away:

5 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar *for* an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a trespass offering.

6 Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the holy place: [p] it is most holy.

7 As the sin offering *is*, so *is* [r] the trespass offering: *there is* one law for them: the priest that maketh atonement therewith shall have *it*.

8 And the priest that offereth any man's

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[a] ver. 25. ch. 5. 3. 7. 1. Ex. 29. 37.
[b] Ezr. 10. 2.
[c] ch. 5. 17.
[d] ch. 22. 3. 7. Ex. 29. 37.
[e] Nu. 5. 6.
[f] ch. 19. 11. Ac. 5. 4. Col. 3. 9.
[g] Ex. 29. 2.
[h] Ex. 22. 7, 10.
[k] *putting of the hand*, or, *in dealing*.
[l] Ex. 16. 36.
[m] Pr. 24. 28. 25. 18.
[l] De. 22. 1. 3.
[m] Ex. 22. 11. Je. 7. 9. Zec. 5. 4.
[n] ch. 4. 3.
[o] Ex. 29. 25.
[p] ch. 5. 16. Nu. 5. 7. 2 Sa. 12. 6. Lu. 19. 8.
[†] *in the day of his trespass*, or, *in the day of his being found guilty*.
[q] ch. 1. 3, 5, 11. 4. 24, 29, 33.
[r] ch. 21. 22.
[s] ch. 10. 17, 18. Eze. 44. 28, 29.
[t] ch. 4. 28.
[u] ver. 16.
[v] Ex. 29. 37. 30. 29.
[‡] or, *for the burning*.
[o] ch. 11. 33. 15. 12.
[d] ch. 16. 4. Ex. 28. 39. 41, 43. Eze. 44. 17. 19.
[e] Nu. 18. 10.
[b] ver. 25.
[f] ch. 10. 18. 16. 27. He. 13. 11.
[d] ch. 1. 16.
[e] ch. 4. 12.
[f] ch. V. 6. 1. 7.
[g] ch. 6. 17, 25. 21. 22.
[h] ch. 1. 3, 5, 11.
[i] ch. 3. 3, 9, 14.
[k] ch. 4. 8, 9. Ex. 29. 13.
[l] ch. 2. 1. Nu. 15. 4.
[m] ch. 2. 2, 9.
[n] Eze. 44. 29.
[o] ver. 25.
[p] ch. 10. 12, 13.
[r] ch. 2. 3.
[s] ch. 6. 25, 26. 14. 13.
[t] ch. 2. 11.
[u] Nu. 18. 9, 10.

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burnt offering, even the priest shall have to himself the skin of the burnt offering which he hath offered.

9 And [a] all the meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that is dressed in the fryingpan, and [b] in the pan, shall [c] be the priest's that offereth it.

10 And every meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have, [d] one *as much* as another.

11 And *this is* the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he shall offer unto the LORD.

12 If he offer it for [e] a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers [f] anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour fried.

13 Besides the cakes, he shall offer *for* his offering [g] leavened bread with the sacrifice of thanksgiving of his peace offerings.

14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation *for* an heave offering unto the LORD, [h] *and* it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings.

15 And [i] the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten [k] the same day that it is offered; he shall not leave any of it until the morning.

16 But if the sacrifice of his offering *be* a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten:

17 But the remainder of the flesh *of* the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire.

18 And *if any* of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be [l] imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be an [m] abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity.

19 And the flesh that toucheth any unclean *thing* shall not be eaten; it shall be burnt with fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean shall eat thereof.

20 But the soul that eateth *of* the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that *pertain* unto the LORD, [n] having his uncleanness upon him, even that soul *shall* be cut off from his people.

21 Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean *thing*, as [o] the uncleanness of man, or *any* [p] unclean beast, or any [q] abominable unclean *thing*, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which *pertain* unto the LORD, even that soul [r] shall be cut off from his people.

22 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, [s] Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat.

24 And the fat of the [t] beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any other use: but ye shall in no wise eat of it.

25 For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth *it* shall be cut off from his people.

26 Moreover [u] ye shall eat no manner of blood, *whether it be* of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwellings.

27 Whatsoever soul *it be* that eateth any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.

28 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

29 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, [b] He that offereth the sacrifice of his peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offerings.

30 His [d] own hands shall bring the offerings of the LORD made by fire, the fat with the breast, it shall he bring, that [f] the breast may be waved *for* a wave offering before the LORD.

31 And [h] the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'.

32 And [j] the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest *for* an heave offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.

33 He among the sons of Aaron, that offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall have the right shoulder *for his* part.

34 For [m] the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the children of Israel from off the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by a statute for ever from among the children of Israel.

35 ¶ This *is the portion* of the anointing of Aaron, and *of* the anointing of his sons, out of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, in the day *when* he presented them to minister unto the LORD in the priest's office;

36 Which the LORD commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, [p] in the day that he anointed them, *by* a statute for ever throughout their generations.

37 This is the law [s] of the burnt offering, [t] of the meat offering, [u] and of the sin offering, [v] and of the trespass offering, [w] and of the consecrations, and [x] of the sacrifice of the peace offerings;

38 Which the LORD commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded the children of Israel [b] to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.

CHAP. VIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Take [c] Aaron and his sons with him, and [z] the garments, and [a] the anointing oil, and a bullock for the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread;

3 And gather thou all the congregation together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

4 And Moses [b] did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

5 And Moses said unto the congregation, [c] This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded to be done.

6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water.

7 And [e] he put upon him the [f] coat, and girded him with the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the curious girdle of the ephod, and bound *it* unto him therewith.

8 And he put the breastplate upon him: also he [g] put in the breastplate the Urim and the Thummim.

9 And [h] he put the mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, *even* upon his forefront, did he put the golden plate, the holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses.

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[a] ch. 2. 3, 10. Nu. 18. 9. Exo. 44. 29.
[b] ch. III.
[c] or, *on the flat plate*, or, *dish*.
[d] 1 Co. 9. 7, 13. Ga. 6. 6.
[e] ch. 3. 3, 4, 9, 14.
[f] 2 Co. 8. 14.
[g] ch. 2. 1. 23. 18, 21.
[h] ch. 8. 27. 9. 21. Ex. 29. 24, 27. Nu. 6. 20.
[i] ch. 5. 1, 16.
[k] Ps. 107. 8, 22. 116. 17. Ho. 14. 2. Lu. 17. 16. 2 Co. 9. 11..
15. Ep. 5. 20. Re. 13. 15. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[l] ch. 9. 21. Nu. 6. 20.
[m] ch. 2. 4. Nu. 5. 19.
[n] Am. 4. 5. Mat. 13. 33.
[o] ch. 10. 14, 15. Ex. 29. 28. Nu. 18. 18, 19 De. 18. 3.
[p] Nu. 18. 8, 11, 19.
[q] ch. 22. 30.
[r] ch. 19. 6..8. Ez. 9. 10. Jno. 9. 4.
[s] ch. 3. 17. 20. Ex. 40. 13, 15
[t] ch. 6. 9.
[u] ch. 6. 14.
[v] ch. 6. 25.
[w] ver. 1.
[x] Nu. 18. 27.
[y] ch. 5. 20.
[z] ver. 11.
[a] ch. 11. 10, 11, 41. 19. 7.
[b] ch. 1. 2.
[c] ch. 15. 2.
[d] Ex. 29. 1..3.
[e] Ge. 17. 14.
[f] Ex. 28. 2, 4.
[g] Ex. 30. 34, 35
[h] ch. XII. XIII. XV.
[i] ch. 11. 32, 38.
[j] Exo. 4. 14.
[k] Mat. 28. 20. 1 Co. 15. 3.
[l] Ex. 12. 15, 19 30. 33, 38.
[m] Ex. 29. 4.
[n] ch. 3. 17.
[o] *carcase*. ch. 17. 15. De. 14. 21. Exo. 4. 14. 41. 31.
[p] Ex. 29. 5. Is. 61. 3, 10.
[q] Ex. 28. 4. Ro. 3. 22. 13. 14.
[r] ch. 2. 17. 17. 10, 14.
[s] Ge. 9. 4.
[t] Ex. 28. 30.
[u] Ex. 29. 6.

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10 And [a] Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that *was* therein, and sanctified them.

11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his foot, to sanctify them.

12 And he [d] poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him.

13 And [e] Moses brought Aaron's sons, and put coats upon them, and girded them with girdles, and [h] put bonnets upon them; as the LORD commanded Moses.

14 And [i] he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons [k] laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering.

15 And he slew *it*; [l] and Moses took the blood, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar, and sanctified it, [l] to make reconciliation upon it.

16 And [m] he took all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned *it* upon the altar.

17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt with fire [p] without the camp; as the LORD [r] commanded Moses.

18 ¶ And [s] he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

19 And he killed *it*; and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.

20 And he cut the ram into pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat.

21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it *was* a burnt sacrifice for [u] a sweet savour, *and* an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

22 ¶ And [x] he brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

23 And he slew *it*; and Moses took of the blood of it, and put *it* upon the tip of [b] Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot.

24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses [c] sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.

25 And [f] he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder:

26 And [i] out of the basket of unleavened bread, that *was* before the LORD, he took one unleavened cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put *them* on the fat, and upon the right shoulder:

27 And he put all [l] upon Aaron's hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them *for* a wave offering before the LORD.

28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt *them* on the altar upon the burnt offering: they *were* consecrations for a sweet savour: it *is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

29 And Moses took the breast, and waved it *for* a wave offering before the LORD: *for* of the ram of consecration it was Moses' [b] part; as the LORD commanded Moses.

30 And [c] Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which *was* upon the altar, and sprinkled *it* upon Aaron, *and* upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, *and* his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.

31 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, [f] Boil the flesh *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and there eat it with the bread that *is* in the basket of consecrations, as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it.

32 And [k] that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye burn with fire.

33 And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation in seven days, until the days of your consecration be at an end: for [n] seven days shall he consecrate you.

34 As [o] he hath done this day, *so* the LORD hath commanded to do, to make an atonement for you.

35 Therefore shall ye abide *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night seven days, and [p] keep the charge of the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded.

36 So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

CHAP. IX.

AND [a] it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel;

2 And he said unto Aaron, [b] Take thee a young calf for a sin offering, [g] and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and offer *them* before the LORD.

3 And unto the children of Israel thou shalt speak, saying, [c] Take ye a kid of the goats for a sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, *both* of the first year, without blemish, for a burnt offering;

4 Also a bullock and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD; and [e] a meat offering mingled with oil: for [d] to day the LORD will appear unto you.

5 ¶ And they brought *that* which Moses commanded before the tabernacle of the congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD.

6 And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded that ye should do: and [g] the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you.

7 And Moses said unto Aaron, Go unto the altar, and [h] offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and make an atonement for thyself, and for the people: and [i] offer the offering of the people, and make an atonement for them; as the LORD commanded.

8 ¶ Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew the calf of the sin offering, which *was* for himself.

9 And [m] the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the blood, and [n] put *it* upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar:

10 But [o] the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the sin offering,

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[a] Ex. 30. 26, 29.
[b] 1 Co. 10. 31. 1 Pe. 4. 11.
[c] Ex. 29. 21. 30. 30. Nu. 3. 3.
[d] ch. 21. 10, 12. Ex. 29. 7. 30. 30. Ps. 133. 2.
[e] Ex. 29. 8, 9.
[h] bound.
[f] Ex. 29. 31, 32.
[g] Ex. 29. 10. Eze. 43. 19.
[k] ch. 4. 4.
[i] ch. 4. 7. Ex. 29. 12, 36. Eze. 43. 20, 26. He. 9. 22.
[k] Ex. 29. 34.
[l] Da. 9. 24. Ro. 5. 10. 2 Co. 5. 18, 21. Ep. 2. 16. Col. 1. 21, 22. He. 2. 17.
[m] ch. 4. 8. Ex. 29. 13.
[n] Eze. 43. 25, 26.
[o] He. 7. 16.
[p] Ga. 3. 13. He. 13. 11, 13.
[r] ch. 4. 11, 12. Ex. 29. 14.
[s] Nu. 3. 7. 9. 19. De. 11. 1. 1 Ki. 2. 3.
[t] Ex. 29. 15.
[u] Eze. 43. 27.
[x] Ex. 29. 1.
[y] Ge. 8. 21. Ex. 29. 18. Ep. 5. 2.
[z] ch. 8. 18.
[a] Ex. 29. 19, 21. Jno. 17. 19. 1 Co. 1. 30. 2 Co. 5. 21. Ep. 5. 25, 27.
[b] ch. 4. 33. Ezr. 6. 17. 10. 19.
[c] Ro. 6. 13, 19. 12. 1. 1 Co. 6. 20. Phl. 1. 20.
[d] ch. 2. 4.
[e] Ex. 29. 43.
[f] He. 9. 21, 22.
[g] Ex. 29. 22.
[h] Ex. 24. 18.
[i] ch. 4. 3. 1 Sa. 3. 14. He. 5. 3. 7. 27. 9. 7.
[k] Ex. 29. 23.
[l] He. 5. 1.
[m] Ex. 29. 24, &c.
[n] ch. 8. 15.
[o] ch. 4. 7.
[p] ch. 8. 14, 17.

he burnt upon the altar; [a] as the LORD commanded Moses.

11 And [b] the flesh and the hide he burnt with fire without the camp.

12 And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, [d] which he sprinkled round about upon the altar.

13 And [e] they presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head: and he burnt *them* upon the altar.

14 And he did wash the inwards and the legs, and burnt *them* upon the burnt offering on the altar.

15 ¶ And [g] he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which was the sin offering for the people, and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first.

16 And he brought the burnt offering, and offered it according to the [h] manner.

17 And he brought [i] the meat offering, and [k] took an handful thereof, and burnt *it* upon the altar, [l] beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning.

18 He slew also the bullock and the ram *for* [m] a sacrifice of peace offerings, which was for the people: and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about,

19 And the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the rump, and that which covereth *the inwards*, and the kidneys, and the caul *above* the liver:

20 And they put the fat upon the breasts, [n] and he burnt the fat upon the altar:

21 And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved [o] *for* a wave offering before the LORD; as Moses commanded.

22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and [p] blessed them, and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.

23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and blessed the people: [q] and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the people.

24 And [r] there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: *which* when all the people saw, [s] they shouted, and fell on their faces.

CHAP. X.

AND [a] Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, [a] took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and [f] put incense thereon, and offered [b] strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

2 And there [c] went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.

3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, This *is it* that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them [m] that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be [n] glorified. [o] And Aaron held his peace.

4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of [p] Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Come near, [r] carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp.

5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said.

6 And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, [t] Uncover not your heads, neither rend your clothes; lest ye die, and lest [u] wrath come upon all the people: but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath kindled.

7 And ye shall not go out from the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: [x] for the anointing oil of the LORD *is* upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying,

9 Do *not* drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations:

10 And that ye may [a] put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

11 And [i] that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

12 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left, Take [m] the meat offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leaven beside the altar: for [r] it *is* most holy:

13 And ye shall eat it in the holy place, because it *is* thy due, and thy sons' due, of the sacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for [s] so I am commanded.

14 And [r] the wave breast and heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy sons, and thy daughters with thee: for *they be* thy due, and thy sons' due, *which* are given out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Israel.

15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave *it for a* wave offering before the LORD; and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

16 ¶ And Moses diligently sought [y] the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron *which were* left *alive*, saying,

17 Wherefore [a] have ye not eaten the sin offering in the holy place, seeing it *is* most holy, and *God* hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the LORD?

18 Behold, [d] the blood of it was not brought in within the holy *place:* ye should indeed have eaten it in the holy *place*, [b] as I commanded.

19 And Aaron said unto Moses, Behold, [c] this day have they offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD: and such things have befallen me: and *if* I had eaten the sin offering to day, [d] should it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD?

20 And when Moses heard *that*, he was content.

CHAP. XI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, [e] These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that *are* on the earth.

3 Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, *and* cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: *as* the camel, because he

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[a] ch. 4. 8.
[b] ch. 4. 11.
[c] Ex. 28. 41.
[d] ch. 1. 5.
[e] ch. 8. 20, 21.
[f] Exo. 44. 21. Lu. 1. 15. 1 Ti. 3. 3. Tit. 1. 7.
[g] Le. 53. 10. Ho. 2. 17. 5. 3.
[h] Je. 15. 19. Eze. 22. 26.
[i] De. 24. 8. Je. 18. 18. Mal. 2 7.
[k] or, *ordinance.*
[l] ch. 7. 1, 2.
[m] *filled his hand out of it.*
[n] Ex. 29. 38.
[o] Ex. 29. 2. Nu. 18. 9, 10.
[p] ch. 3. 1, &c.
[q] ch. 21. 22.
[r] ch. 2. 3. 6. 16.
[s] Nu. 18. 11.
[t] ch. 3. 5, 16.
[u] Ex. 29. 24, 26.
[v] Nu. 6. 23. De. 21. 5. Lu. 24. 50.
[w] Nu. 16. 19, 42
[x] ch. 9. 3, 15.
[y] Ge. 4. 4. Ju. 6. 21. 1 Ki. 18. 38. 2 Ch. 7. 1. Ps. 20. 3.
[a] ch. 5. 26, 29.
[b] 1 Ki. 18. 39. 2 Ch. 7. 3. Ezr. 3. 11.
[c] ch. 16. 1. 22. 9. Nu. 3. 3, 4. 26. 61. 1 Ch. 24. 2.
[d] ch. 6. 30.
[e] ch. 16. 12. Nu. 16. 18.
[f] 1 Ki. 13. 1, 2 Ch. 26. 16. 20. Je. 44. 8, 15. 19, 21. Lu. 1. 9, 11. Re. 8. 3, 5.
[g] Ex. 30. 9.
[h] ch. 5. 25.
[i] Nu. 16. 35. 2 Sa. 6. 7.
[k] ch. 9. 8, 12.
[l] Je. 6. 20. 14. 12. Ho. 8. 4. Mal. 1. 10, 13.
[m] Ex. 19. 22. Is. 52. 11. Eze. 20. 41.
[n] Is. 49. 3. Jno. 13. 31, 32. 14. 13. 2 Th. 1. 10.
[o] Ps. 39. 9.
[p] Ex. 6. 18, 22. Nu. 3. 19, 30.
[r] Le. 7. 12. Ac. 5. 6, 9, 10. 8. 2.
[s] Ac. 10. 12, 14.
[t] Eze. 24. 16, 17
[u] Jos. 7. 1. 22. 18, 20. 2 Sa. 24. 1.

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cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

5 And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

6 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; [e] he *is* unclean to you.

8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; [d] they *are* unclean to you.

9 ¶ These [e] shall ye eat of all that *are* in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which *is* in the waters, they *shall be* an [h] abomination unto you:

11 They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcases in abomination.

12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that *shall be* an abomination unto you.

13 ¶ And [i] these *are they which* ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they *are* an abomination: the [k] eagle, and the ossifrage, and the osprey,

14 And [l] the vulture, and the kite after his kind;

15 Every [m] raven after his kind;

16 And the [n] owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

17 And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,

18 And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,

19 And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

20 All fowls that creep, going upon *all* four, *shall be* an abomination unto you.

21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon *all* four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

22 *Even* these of them ye may eat; [p] the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

23 But all *other* flying creeping things, which have four feet, *shall be* an abomination unto you.

24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.

25 And whosoever beareth *aught* of the carcase of them [r] shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

26 *The carcases* of every beast which divideth the hoof, and *is* not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, *are* unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on *all* four, those *are* unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.

28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they *are* unclean unto you.

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[a] Ps. 10. 2. 17. 13. 14. Hab. 2. 6. Lu. 12. 15. 16. 14.
[b] Jno. 6. 26, 66. Phi. 3. 19. Col. 3. 5. 2 Ti. 3. 2, 5. He. 13. 5.
[b] Is. 66. 17.
[c] Is. 65. 4. 66. 3, 17.
[d] Is. 52. 11. Mat. 15. 11, 20. Mar. 7. 2, 15, 18. Ac. 10. 14, 15. 15. 29. Ro. 14. 14, 17. 1 Co. 8. 8. Col. 2. 16, 21. He. 9. 10.
[e] De. 14. 9.
[f] ch. 15. 12.
[g] ch. 6. 28.
[h] ch. 7. 18. De. 14. 3.
[i] De. 14. 12.
[k] *a gathering together of waters.*
[l] Job 39. 27, 30. Je. 4. 13. 48. 40. La. 4. 19. Ho. 8. 1. Hab. 1. 8. Mat. 24. 28.
[m] Job 38. 7.
[n] Ge. 8. 7. 1 Ki. 17. 4, 6. Job 39. 41. Pr. 30. 17. Lu. 12. 24.
[o] Ps. 102. 6. Is. 13. 21, 22. 34. 11. 15. 1 Th. 5. 5, 7.
[p] ch. 17. 15. 22. 8. De. 14. 21. Eze. 4. 14. 44. 31.
[p] Mat. 3. 4. Mar. 1. 6.
[r] *doth multiply feet.*
[r] ch. 20. 25.
[s] *souls.*
[t] ch. 14. 8. 15. 5. Nu. 19. 10, 22. 31. 24. Ps. 51. 2, 7. Zec. 13. 1. Jno. 13. 6. Ac. 22. 16. He. 9. 9, 10. 10. 22. 1 Pe. 3. 21. 1 Jno. 1. 7. Re. 7. 14.
[t] ch. 19. 2. 20. 7, 26. Ex. 19. 6. 1 Th. 4. 7. 1 Pe. 1. 15, 16.
[u] Ex. 6. 7.
[v] Ps. 105. 43, 45.
[w] ch. 10. 10. Eze. 11. 2, 3. 44. 23.

29 ¶ These also *shall be* unclean unto you among the [s] creeping things that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and [t] the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,

30 And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

31 These *are* unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

32 And upon whatsoever *any* of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether *it be* any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel *it be*, wherein *any* work is done, it [f] must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto *any* of them falleth, whatsoever *is* in it shall be unclean; and [g] ye shall break it.

34 Of all meat which may be eaten, *that* on which *such* water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean.

35 And every *thing* whereupon *any part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; *whether it be* oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: *for* they *are* unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, [o] *wherein there is* plenty of water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

37 And if *any part* of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall be* clean.

38 But if *any* water be put upon the seed, and *any part* of their carcase fall thereon, it *shall be* unclean unto you.

39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.

40 And [u] he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth *shall be* an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon *all* four, or whatsoever [x] hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they *are* an abomination.

43 Ye [y] shall not make your [z] selves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

44 For I *am* the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and [a] ye shall be holy; for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

45 For [b] I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: [c] ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.

46 This *is* the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

47 To [d] make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.

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CHAP. XII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a[b] woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then [c] she shall be unclean seven days; [d] according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.
3 And in the [e] eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.
4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the [f] days of her purifying be fulfilled.
5 But if she [h] bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.
6 And when [h] the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring [i] a lamb † of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:
7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make [m] an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This *is* [n] the law for her that hath born a male or a female.
8 And [o] if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: [p] and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.

CHAP. XIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,
2 When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a ‡ rising, [q] a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh *like* the plague of leprosy; [r] then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:
3 And the priest shall [s] look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and *when* the hair in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight be [t] deeper than the skin of his flesh, it *is* a plague of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and [u] pronounce him unclean.
4 If the bright spot *be* white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight *be* not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the plague seven days:
5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague in his sight be at a stay, *and* the plague spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more:
6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague *be* somewhat dark, *and* the plague spread not in the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean: it *is but* a scab: and he shall [v] wash his clothes, and be clean.
7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing, he shall be seen of the priest again:
8 And *if* the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a leprosy.
9 [w] When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest;
10 And [x] the priest shall see *him:* and, behold, *if* the rising *be* white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and *there be* [y] quick raw flesh in the rising;
11 It *is* an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and shall not shut him up: for he *is* unclean.
12 And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy [z] cover all the skin of *him that hath* the plague from his head even to his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh;
13 Then the priest shall consider: and, behold, *if* the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: it is all turned white: [a] he *is* clean.
14 But when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be unclean.
15 And the priest shall see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be unclean: *for* the raw flesh *is* unclean: it *is* a leprosy.
16 Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he shall come unto the priest;
17 And the priest shall see him: and, behold, *if* the plague be turned into white; then the priest shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: he *is* clean.
18 ¶ The flesh also, in which, *even* in the skin thereof, was a [b] boil, and is healed,
19 And in the place of the boil there be a white rising, or a bright spot, white, and somewhat reddish, and it be shewed to the priest;
20 And if, when the priest seeth it, behold, it *be* in sight lower than the skin, and the hair thereof be turned white; the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a plague of leprosy broken out of the boil.
21 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hairs therein, and *if* it *be* not lower than the skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:
22 And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a plague.
23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not, it *is* a burning boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean.
24 ¶ Or if there be *any* flesh, in the skin whereof *there is* a hot burning, and the quick *flesh* that burneth have a white bright spot, somewhat reddish, or white;
25 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and it *be in* sight deeper than the skin; it *is* a leprosy broken out of the burning: wherefore the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.
26 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hair in the bright spot, and it *be* no lower than the *other* skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:
27 And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: *and* if it be spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.
28 And if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not in the skin, but it *be* somewhat dark; it *is* a rising of the burning, and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it *is* an inflammation of the burning.

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[a] Nu. 12. 10, 12. 2 Ki. 5. 27. 2 Ch. 26. 20.
[b] ch. 15. 19.
[c] Lu. 2. 22.
[d] ch. 15. 19.
[e] *the quickening of living flesh*
[f] Ge. 17. 12. Lu. 1. 59. 2. 21. Joh. 7. 22, 23.
[g] 1 Ki. 8. 33, 35. Job 40. 4. 42. 6. Is. 64. 6. Jno. 16. 8, 9. Ro. 7. 14. 1 Jno. 1. 8, 10
[h] Hag. 2. 13.
[i] 1 Ti. 2. 14, 15.
[k] Jno. 9. 41.
[l] Lu. 2. 22.
[m] Jno. 1. 29, 36. He. 7. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
† *a son of his year.*
[n] ch. 1. 4. Job 1. 5. 14. 4. Ro. 3. 23, 26. 1 Co. 7. 14. He. 9. 12-14.
[o] Ga. 3. 26.
[p] ch. 5. 7. Lu. 2. 24.
‡ *her hand And not sufficiency of.*
[q] Ex. 9. 9. 15. 26. 2 Ki. 20. 7. Job 2. 7.
[r] ch. 4. 26.
§ *or, swelling*
[s] De. 28. 27. Is. 3. 17.
[t] De. 17. 8, 9. 24. 8. Lu. 17. 14.
[u] Eze. 44. 23. Hag. 2. 11. Mal. 2. 7. Ac. 20. 26. He. 13. 7.
[v] 2 Ti. 2. 17. 3. 13.
[w] Mat. 18. 17, 18. Jno. 20. 23. 1 Co. 5. 4, 5. 2 Th. 3. 14, 15. 1 Ti. 1. 20.
|| *a burning of fire.* Is. 3. 24.
[x] Is. 11. 3, 4. Jude 22, 23.
[y] ch. 11. 25. 14. 8. 1 Ki. 8. 38, 45.

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29 ¶ If a man or woman have a plague [a] upon the head or the beard;
30 Then the priest shall see the plague: and, behold, if it *be* in sight deeper than the skin; *and there be* in it a yellow thin hair; then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a dry scall, *even* a leprosy upon the head or beard.
31 And if the priest look on the plague of the scall, and, behold, it *be* not in sight deeper than the skin, and *that there is* no black hair in it; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the plague of the scall seven days:
32 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague: and, behold, *if* the scall spread not, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the scall *be* not in sight deeper than the skin;
33 He shall be shaven, but the scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the scall seven days more:
34 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall: and, behold, *if* the scall be not spread in the skin, nor *be* in sight deeper than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.
35 But if the scall [c] spread much in the skin after his cleansing;
36 Then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be spread in the skin, the priest shall not seek for yellow hair; he *is* unclean.
37 But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and *that* there is black hair grown up therein; the scall is healed, he *is* clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.
38 ¶ If a man also or a woman have in the skin of their flesh bright spots, *even* white bright spots;
39 Then the priest shall look: and, behold, *if* the bright spots in the skin of their flesh *be* darkish white; it *is* a freckled spot *that* groweth in the skin; he *is* clean.
40 And the man whose † hair is fallen off his head, he *is* bald; *yet is* he clean.
41 And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head toward his face, he *is* forehead bald: *yet is* he clean.
42 And if there be in the bald head, or bald forehead, a white reddish sore; it *is* a leprosy sprung up in his bald head, or his bald forehead.
43 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the rising of the sore *be* white reddish in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh;
44 He is a leprous man, he *is* unclean: the priest shall pronounce him [d] utterly unclean; his plague *is* in his head.
45 And the leper in whom the plague *is*, his clothes shall be rent, and his head bare, and he shall [e] put a covering upon his upper lip, and shall cry, [f] Unclean, unclean.
46 All the days wherein the plague *shall be* in him he shall be defiled; he *is* unclean: he shall dwell alone; [g] without the camp *shall* his habitation *be*.
47 ¶ The garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, *whether it be* a woollen garment, or a linen garment;
48 Whether *it be* in the warp, or woof; of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any ‖ thing made of skin;
49 And if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any [*] thing of skin; it *is* a plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed unto the priest:
50 And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut up *it that hath* the plague seven days:
51 And he shall look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in a skin, *or* in any work that is made of skin; the plague *is* [h] a fretting leprosy; it *is* unclean.
52 He shall therefore burn that garment, whether warp or woof, in woollen or in linen, or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it *is* a fretting leprosy; it shall be [*] burnt in the fire.
53 And if the priest shall look, and, behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin;
54 Then the priest shall command that they wash *the thing* wherein the plague *is*, and he shall shut it up seven days more:
55 And the priest shall look on the plague, [i] after that it is washed: and, behold, *if* the plague have not changed his colour, and the plague be not spread; it *is* unclean; thou shalt burn it in the fire; it is fret inward, † *whether* it *be* bare within or without.
56 And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague *be* somewhat dark after the washing of it; then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of the woof:
57 And if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; it is a spreading *plague: f* thou shalt burn that wherein the plague is with fire.
58 And the garment, either warp, or woof, or whatsoever thing of skin *it be*, wh ch thou shalt wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be [*] washed the second time, and shall be clean.
59 This *is* the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the warp, or woof, or any thing of skins, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

CHAP. XIV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He [k] shall be brought unto the priest:
3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, *if* the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;
4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two § birds alive *and* clean, and [k] cedar wood, and [m] scarlet, and [m] hyssop:
5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water:
6 As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird *that was* killed over the running water:
7 And he shall [n] sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy [o] seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose [o] into the open field.
8 And he that is to be cleansed [p] shall

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[a] Ps. 53. 4. Is. 1. 3, 5. Ac. 22. 3, 4. 26. 9, 10. 2 Co. 3, 4. 2 Th. 2. 11, 12.
[*] *vessel, or, instrument*
[b] ch. 14. 44.
[c] De. 7. 25, 26. Ac. 19. 19.
[d] Exo. 24. 13. He. 6. 4, 8. 2 Pe. 1. 9. 2. 20, 22.
[e] 2 Ti. 2. 16, 17. 3. 13.
† whether *it be bald in the head thereof, or in the forehead thereof.*
[f] Is. 33. 14. Mal. 3. 12. 25. 41. Re. 21. 8.
[g] 2 Ki. 5. 10, 14. Ps. 51. 2. 2 Co. 7. 1. He. 9. 10. Re. 1. 5.
‡ *head is pilled.*
[h] Mat. 8. 2, 4. Mar. 1. 40, 44. Lu. 5. 12, 14. 17. 14.
[i] Job 36. 14. Mat. 6. 23. Mar. 7. 21. 23. Ep. 4. 18.
§ or, *sparrows.*
[k] Nu. 19. 6.
[l] Exo. 24. 17. 22. Mi. 3. 7. Job 42. 6. Ps. 51. 3, 5. Is. 6 5. 64. 6.
[m] Heb. 9. 19.
[n] Ex. 12. 22. Nu. 19. 18. Ps. 51. 7.
[o] Le. 4. 15. Lu. 5. 8. 17. 12, 13.
[p] Nu. 5. 2. 12. 14. 2 Ki. 5. 10. 15. 5. 2 Ch. 26. 21. Ps. 38. 11. La. 1. 1. Lu. 17. 12. 1 Co. 5. 5, 13. 2 Th. 3. 6.
[r] He. 9. 13.
[s] 2 Ki. 5. 10, 14
‖ *work of.*
[*] *upon the face of the field.*
[t] ch. 13. 6.

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wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, [a] and wash himself in water, that he may be clean: and after that he shall come into the camp, and shall tarry abroad out of his tent seven days.

9 But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his flesh in water, and he shall be clean.

10 And on the eighth day [d] he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb [e] of the first year without blemish, and three tenth deals of fine flour *for* [f] a meat offering, mingled with oil, and one log of oil.

11 And the priest that maketh *him* clean shall present the man that is to be made clean, and those things, before the LORD, *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

12 And the priest shall take one he lamb, and [g] offer him for a trespass offering, and the log of oil, and [h] wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:

13 And he shall slay the lamb [h] in the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the holy place: for [i] as the sin offering *is* the priest's, *so* is the trespass offering: [m] it is most holy:

14 And the priest shall take *some* of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall put *it* [n] upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:

15 And the priest shall take *some* of the log of [p] oil, and pour *it* into the palm of his own left hand:

16 And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that *is* in his left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before the LORD:

17 And of the rest of the oil that *is* in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, [q] upon the blood of the trespass offering:

18 And the remnant of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall [r] pour upon the head of him that is to be cleansed: [s] and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD.

19 And the priest shall offer [t] the sin offering, and make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness; and afterward he shall kill the burnt offering:

20 And the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the altar: and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean.

21 And [u] if he *be* poor, and [x] cannot get so much; then he shall take one lamb *for* a trespass offering [y] to be waved, to make an atonement for him, and one tenth deal of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering, and a log of oil;

22 And [z] two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.

23 And [f] he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, before the LORD.

24 And the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:

25 And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass offering, [b] and the priest shall take *some* of the blood of the trespass offering, and put *it* upon the [c] tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:

26 And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand:

27 And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger *some* of the oil that *is* in his left hand seven times before the LORD:

28 And the priest shall put of the oil that *is* in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass offering:

29 And the rest of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall put upon [f] the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before the LORD.

30 And he shall offer the one of [i] the turtledoves, or of the young pigeons, such as he can get;

31 *Even* such as he is able to get, the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering, with the meat offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed before the LORD.

32 This *is* the law *of him* in whom *is* the plague of leprosy, whose hand is not able to get [o] *that which pertaineth* to his cleansing.

33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

34 When [p] ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and [q] I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession;

35 And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, It seemeth to me *there is* as it were [r] a plague in the house:

36 Then the priest shall command that they [s] empty the house, before the priest go *into it* to see the plague, that [t] all that *is* in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house:

37 And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, *if* the plague *be* in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight *are* lower than the wall;

38 Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven days:

39 And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the walls of the house;

40 Then the priest shall command that they [b] take away the stones in which the plague *is*, and they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city:

41 And he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the dust that they scrape off without the city into [d] an unclean place:

42 And they shall take other stones, and [e] put *them* in the place of those stones; and he shall take other morter, and shall plaister the house.

43 And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he hath taken away the stones, and after he hath scraped the house, and after it is plaistered;

44 Then the priest shall come and look,

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[a] ch. 11. 25.
[b] ver. 14.
[c] Ex. 5. 1.
[d] Mat. 8. 4. Mar. 1. 44. Lu. 5. 14.
[e] *the daughter of her year.*
[f] ch. 2. 1. Nu. 15. 4, 15.
[g] Jno. 17. 19.
[h] ch. 5. 2, 18. 6. 6, 7.
[i] Ex. 29. 34.
[k] ch. 15. 14.
[l] ch. 1. 5, 11. 4. 4, 24.
[m] ch. 7. 7.
[n] ch. 2. 3. 21. 22.
[o] ch. 8. 23. Ex. 29. 20.
[p] Ps. 72. 12.. 14. 136. 23. Lu. 7. 22.
[q] Jno. 3. 34. 1 Jno. 5. 20.
[r] Ge. 17. 8. Nu. 32. 22. De. 7. 1. 32. 49. Jos. 13. 1, &c
[s] Is. 45. 7. Am. 3. 6. Mi. 6. 9.
[t] Ps. 91. 10. Pr. 3. 33. Zec. 5. 4.
[u] or, *prepare*
[x] Exo. 36. 27. Jno. 1. 16. 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[y] 1 Co. 15. 33. 2 Ti. 2. 17, 18. Ho. 12. 15. Ro. 16. 4.
[z] 2 Co. 1. 21, 22. Ep. 1. 17..20.
[a] ch. 4. 26.
[b] ch. 12. 7. Is. 53. 4, &c. Ro. 8. 3. 2 Co. 5. 21. Ep. 5. 2. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[c] ch. 5. 7. Job 34. 19. Pr. 14. 31. 22. 2. Lu. 6. 20. 21. 2. 4. 2 Co. 8. 12. Ja. 2. 5.
[d] *his hand reach not.*
[e] Ps. 101. 5, 7, 8 Pr. 22. 10. 25. 4, 5. Is. 1. 25, 26. Je. 21. 12. Mat. 18. 17. Jno. 15. 2. 1 Co. 5. 3..5. 2 Th. 3. 6, 14.
[f] *for a wasting.*
[g] ch. 13. 14, 15. Lu. 2. 22..24.
[h] Mar. 5. 2..5. Re. 22. 15.
[i] 2 Ch. 17. 7..9 29. 4. 5. Ac. 1. 21..26 1 Th. 5. 21, 22.
[k] ver. 11, 12.

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and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the house, it *is* [a] a fretting leprosy in the house: it *is* unclean.

45 And he shall [b] break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the morter of the house; and he shall carry *them* forth out of the city into an unclean place.

46 Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even.

47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eateth in the house shall wash his clothes.

48 And if the priest [c] shall come in, and look *upon it*, and, behold, the plague hath not spread in the house, after the house was plaistered: then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, [d] because the plague is healed.

49 And [e] he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:

50 And he shall kill the one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water:

51 And he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house seven times:

52 And he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet:

53 But he shall let go the living bird out of the city into the open fields, and [h] make an atonement for the house: and it shall be clean.

54 This *is* the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and [m] scall,

55 And for the [n] leprosy of a garment, [p] and of a house,

56 And [r] for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot:

57 To [t] teach *when it is* unclean, and when *it is* clean: this *is* the law of leprosy.

CHAP. XV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [u] When any man hath a [§] running issue out of his flesh, *because of* his issue he *is* unclean.

3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it *is* his uncleanness.

4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and every [‖] thing, whereon he sitteth, shall be unclean.

5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, [y] and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

6 And he that sitteth on *any* thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, [z] and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

8 And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and [a] bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

9 And what saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be unclean.

10 And whosoever toucheth any thing

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[a] ch. 13. 51. Zec. 5. 4.
[b] 1 Ki. 9. 6. 9. 2 Ki. 10. 27. 17. 20. 23. Je. 52. 12, 13. Mat. 23. 7. Lu. 19. 43, 44.
[c] ch. 6. 28. 11. 32, 33. 2 Co. 5. 1. Phi. 2. 21.
[d] *in coming in shall come in, &c.*
[e] ver. 28. ch. 14. 8.
[h] Job 5. 18. Ho. 6. 1. Mar. 5. 23, 34. 1 Co. 6. 11.
[m] ch. 14. 22, 23.
[n] ver. 4.
[p] ch. 14. 9, 30.
[r] ch. 22. 4. De. 23. 10. 2 Co. 7. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 11. 1 Joo. 1. 7.
[t] ver. 20.
[u] 1 Sa. 21. 4. Ps. 51. 5. 1 Th. 4. 3, 5. He. 13. 4.
[§] ch. 13. 30.
[‖] ch. 12. 2.
[y] ch. 13. 47.
[z] ver. 34.
† *in her separation.*
[a] ch. 13. 2.
[t] Pr. V. 22. 14. Ec. 7. 26.
[t] De. 24. 8. Eze. 44. 23.
‡ *in the day of the unclean, and in the day of the clean*
[u] ch. 22. 4. Nu. 5. 2. 2 Sa. 3. 29. Mat. 9. 20. Mar. 5. 25. Lu. 8. 43.
§ or, *running of the reins.*
[y] ch. 20. 18. Eze. 18. 6. 22. 10.
‖ *vessel.*
[x] Mat. 9. 20. Mar. 5. 25. Lu. 8. 43.
[y] ch. 11. 25. 17. 15.
[z] Is. 1. 16. Ja. 4. 8.
[a] Ps. 26. 6. 51. 2, 7. Eze. 36. 25. 29. He. 9. 14. 10. 22. Re. 7. 14.
[b] Eze. 36. 25, 29. He. 10. 22. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19. 1 Joo. 1. 7.
[c] ver. 13.

that was under him shall be unclean until the even: and he that beareth *any of* those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

11 And whomsoever he [b] toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

12 And the [c] vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.

13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then [d] he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

14 And on the eighth day he shall take to him [f] two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and come before the LORD unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and give them unto the priest:

15 And the priest shall offer them, [h] the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD for his issue.

16 And [i] if any man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he shall wash all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the even.

17 And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even.

18 The woman also with whom man shall lie *with* seed of copulation, they shall *both* bathe *themselves* in water, and [l] be unclean until the even.

19 ¶ And [m] if a woman have an issue, *and* her issue in her flesh be blood, she shall be [†] put apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her shall be unclean until the even.

20 And [o] every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be unclean: every thing also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.

21 And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

22 And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

23 And if it *be on her* bed, *or* on any thing whereon she sitteth, when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean until the even.

24 And [r] if any man lie with her at all, and her flowers be upon him, he shall be unclean seven days; and all the bed whereon he lieth shall be unclean.

25 And if [s] a woman have an issue of her blood many days out of the time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as the days of her separation: she *shall be* unclean.

26 Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

27 And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and [b] bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

28 But [c] if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean.

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29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

30 And the priest shall offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for her before the LORD for the issue of her uncleanness.

31 Thus shall ye [d] separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness; that they die not in their uncleanness, when they [e] defile my tabernacle that *is* among them.

32 This *is* the law of him that hath an issue, [f] and *of him* whose seed goeth from him, and is defiled therewith;

33 And [i] of her that is sick of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, [k] and of the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean.

CHAP. XVI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses after [m] the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died;

2 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that [n] he come not at all times into the holy *place* within the vail before the mercy seat, which *is* upon the ark; that he die not: for [o] I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.

3 Thus shall Aaron [p] come into the holy *place:* [q] with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.

4 He shall put on [r] the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these *are* holy garments; therefore [s] shall he wash his flesh in water, and *so* put them on.

5 And he shall take of [t] the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

6 And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and [u] make an atonement for himself, and for his house.

7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the ‖ scapegoat.

9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD's lot ‖ fell, and offer him *for* a sin offering.

10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make [x] an atonement with him, *and* to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which *is* for himself:

12 And he shall take [a] a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of [b] sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the vail:

13 And [c] he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the [d] mercy seat that *is* upon the testimony, that he die not:

14 And [e] he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and [f] sprinkle *it* with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before

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[a] He. 2. 17. 5. 2.
[b] He. 6. 19. 9. 3, 7, 12.
[c] Ex. 29. 36. Eze. 45. 18. He. 9. 22, 23.
[d] ch. 11. 47. De. 24. 8. Eze. 44. 23.
[e] Nu. 5. 3. 19. 13, 20. Eze. 5. 11. 23. 38.
[f] ver. 2.
[g] *dwelleth.*
[h] ver. 16.
[i] Lu. 1. 10.
[k] ver. 19.
[l] ver. 24, 25.
[m] Ex. 20. 10.
[n] ch. 10. 1, 2.
[o] ch. 23. 27. Ex. 30. 10. He. 9. 7. 10. 19.
[p] Ex. 25. 22. 40. 34. 1 Ki. 8. 10, 12.
[q] Eze. 43. 20.
[r] He. 9. 7, 12, 24, 25.
[s] ch. 4. 3.
[t] Exe. 45. 20.
[u] ch. 6. 10. Ex. 28. 39, 42, 43.
[x] ch. 8. 6, 7. Ex. 20. 20.
[a] Is. 53. 6.
[b] ch. 4. 14. Nu. 29. 11. 2 Ch. 29. 21. Ezr. 6. 17. Eze. 45. 22, 23.
† *a man of opportunity*
[c] Is. 53. 11, 12. Jno. 1. 29. He. 9. 28. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
‡ *of separation.*
[d] ch. 9. 7. He. 5. 2. 7. 27, 28. 9. 7.
[e] Eze. 42. 14. 44. 19.
§ *Azazel.*
[f] ver. 3, 5.
‖ *great up.*
[g] ch. 4. 10.
[h] 1 Jno. 2. 2.
[i] ch. 15. 5.
[k] ch. 4. 12, 21. 6. 30. He. 13. 11.
[l] ch. 10. 1. Nu. 16. 18, 46. Re. 8. 5.
[m] Ex. 30. 34.
[n] Ex. 30. 1, 7, 8. Nu. 16. 7, 18, 46. Re. 8. 3, 4.
[o] Ex. 25. 21.
[p] ch. 23. 27. Ex. 30. 10. Nu. 29. 7. Is. 58. 3, 5. Da. 10. 3, 12.
[q] Re. 9. 13, 25. 10. 4.
[r] ch. 4. 5, 6.

the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.

15 ¶ Then [g] shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his blood [h] within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

16 And he shall [i] make an atonement for the holy *place*, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that [k] remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

17 And [l] there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy *place*, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.

18 And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the LORD, and [m] make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about.

19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and [n] hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

20 ¶ And when he hath made an end of [o] reconciling the holy *place*, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:

21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, [p] putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of [q] a fit man into the wilderness:

22 And the goat shall [r] bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land ‡ not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.

23 And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, [s] and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy *place*, and shall leave them there:

24 And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, [t] and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and make an atonement for himself, and for the people.

25 And [u] the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar.

26 And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, *f* and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp.

27 And [v] the bullock *for* the sin offering, and the goat *for* the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy *place*, shall *one* carry forth without the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.

28 And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

29 ¶ And *this* shall be a statute for ever unto you: *that* [w] in the seventh month, on the tenth *day* of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:

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30 For on that day shall *the priest* make an atonement for you, to [a] cleanse you, *that* ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.

31 It [b] *shall* be a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute for ever.

32 And [c] the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall [†] consecrate [e] to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and [f] shall put on the linen clothes, *even* the holy garments:

33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.

34 And [g] this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins [h] once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAP. XVII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them; This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, saying,

3 What man soever *there be* of the house of Israel, [i] that killeth an ox, or lamb, or goat, in the camp, or that killeth *it* out of the camp,

4 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer an offering unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD; blood shall be [k] imputed unto that man; he hath shed blood; and that man [l] shall be cut off from among his people:

5 To the end that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, [m] which they offer in the open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them *for* peace offerings unto the LORD.

6 And the priest [n] shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and [o] burn the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices [A] unto devils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.

8 ¶ And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers which sojourn among you, [p] that offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,

9 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto the LORD; even that man shall be cut off from among his people.

10 ¶ And [q] whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; [r] I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar [s] to make an atonement for your souls: for [B] it *is* the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul.

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[a] Ps. 51. 2. Je. 33. 8. Ep. 5. 26. He. 9.13,14. 10. 1, 2. 1 Joe. 1.7, 9.
[b] ch. 23. 32.
[c] *that hath an unlawful anointing.*
[e] ch. 7. 36.
[d] ch. 4.3,5,16.
[†] *fill his hand*
[e] Ex. 29.29,30 Nu. 20. 25, 28.
[f] De. 15. 23.
[g] Exe. 24. 7.
[h] De. 12. 23.
[i] He. 7. 26.
[k] Ex. 22. 31.
[‡] *a carcase.*
[l] ch. 23. 31. Nu. 29. 7.
[m] ch. 11. 25.
[n] ch. 15. 5.
[o] Ex. 30. 10. He. 9. 7, 25.
[p] Nu. 19. 20.
[r] Ex. 6. 7.
[s] Exe. 20.7,8.
[t] De.12.5,&c
[u] Ex. 23. 24. De.12.2,&c
[v] De. 4. 1, 2.
[x] Ro. 5. 13.
[y] Lu. 10. 28. Ro. 10. 5. Ga. 3. 12.
[z] Ge. 17. 14.
[a] Mal. 3. 6.
[§] *remainder of his flesh.*
[b] Ge. 21. 38. 22. 2. 31. 54. 1 Ki. 14. 23. 2 Ki. 16. 4. 17. 10. 2 Ch. 28. 4.
[c] ch.20.11,&c
[d] Ge. 49. 4. Am. 2. 7. 1 Co. 5. 1.
[e] ch. 3. 2.
[f] 2 Sa. 13.12. Eze. 22. 11.
[g] Nu. 15. 17.
[A] 2 Ch. 11.15. Ps. 106. 37. 1 Co. 10.20. Re. 9. 20.
[i] De. 31. 16. Eze. 23. 8.
[k] Ge. 4. De.12.16,23 15. 23.
1 Sa. 14. 33. Eze. 44. 7.
[l] Je. 44. 11. Eze. 14. 8. 15. 7.
[m] Ge 38.18,25
[n] Mat. 26. 28. Ro. 3. 25. 5. 9. Ep. 1. 7. Col.1.14,20. He. 13. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 2. 1 Joe. 1. 7. Re. 1. 5.
[o] Mat. 14. 4. Mar. 12. 19.
[B] Re. 9. 22.

12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

13 And whatsoever man *there be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, [c] which [d] hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even [f] pour out the blood thereof, and [g] cover it with dust.

14 For [h] *it is* the life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh *is* the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.

15 And [k] every soul that eateth [†] that which died *of itself*, or that which was torn *with beasts*, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger, [m] he shall both wash his clothes, [n] and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.

16 But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh; then [p] he shall bear his iniquity.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [r] I am the LORD your God.

3 After [s] the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and [u] after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances.

4 Ye [v] shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I *am* the LORD your God.

5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: [x] which if a man do, he shall live in them: [z] I *am* the LORD.

6 ¶ None of you shall approach to any that is [§] near of kin to him, to uncover *their* nakedness: I *am* the LORD.

7 The [a] nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she *is* thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

8 The [b] nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it *is* thy father's nakedness.

9 The [c] nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, *whether she be* born at home, or born abroad, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.

10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for their's is thine own nakedness.

11 The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she *is* thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she *is* thy father's near kinswoman.

13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she *is* thy mother's near kinswoman.

14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she *is* thine aunt.

15 Thou [d] shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she *is* thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

16 Thou [e] shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it *is* thy brother's nakedness.

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17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; *for* they *are* her near kinswomen: it *is* wickedness.

18 Neither shalt thou take [o] a wife to her sister, [p] to vex *her*, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life *time*.

19 Also [q] thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.

20 Moreover [r] thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with her.

21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed [s] pass through *the fire* to [t] Molech, neither shalt thou [u] profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.

22 Thou [w] shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.

23 Neither [x] shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it *is* confusion.

24 Defile [y] not ye yourselves in any of these things: [z] for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you:

25 And [a] the land is defiled: therefore I do [b] visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit *any* of these abominations; *neither* any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:

27 (For all these abominations have the men of the land done, which *were* before you, and the land is defiled;)

28 That [c] the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that *were* before you.

29 For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the souls that commit *them* shall be cut off from among their people.

30 Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, [d] that *ye* commit not *any one* of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: I *am* the LORD your God.

CHAP. XIX.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, [e] Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

3 ¶ Ye [f] shall *fear* every man his mother, and his father, and [g] keep my sabbaths: I *am* the LORD your God.

4 ¶ Turn [h] ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.

5 ¶ And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your own will.

6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.

7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable; it shall not be accepted.

8 Therefore *every one* that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

9 ¶ And [i] when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather *every* grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.

11 ¶ Ye [k] shall not steal, neither deal falsely, [l] neither lie one to another.

12 ¶ And ye shall not [m] swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.

13 ¶ Thou [n] shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him*: [o] the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not curse the deaf, [p] nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt [q] fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

15 ¶ Ye [r] shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: *but* in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

16 ¶ Thou [s] shalt not go up and down *as* a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou [t] stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I *am* the LORD.

17 ¶ Thou [u] shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: [v] thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, [†] and not suffer sin upon him.

18 ¶ Thou [w] shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, [x] but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD.

19 ¶ Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

20 ¶ And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that *is* a bondmaid, [‡] betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; [§] she [‖] shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free.

21 And [y] he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, *even* a ram for a trespass offering.

22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done: and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.

23 ¶ And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.

24 But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be [#] holy [z] to praise the LORD *withal*.

25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I *am* the LORD your God.

26 ¶ Ye [a] shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: [b] neither shall ye use enchantment, nor observe times.

27 Ye [c] shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard.

28 Ye shall not [d] make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I *am* the LORD.

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[*] or, one *wife to another*. Ex. 26. 3.
[a] 1 Sa. 1. 6, 8.
[b] Ep. 4. 28.
[c] Eze. 18. 6.
[d] Mar. 3. 9.
[e] Mat. 5. 33. Ja. 5. 12.
[f] Pr. 6. 29, 32. Mat. 5. 27. 1 Co. 6. 9. Re. 13. 4.
[g] Mar. 10. 19. 1 Th. 4. 6.
[h] Mal. 3. 5. Ja. 5. 4.
[i] Je. 19. 5. Eze. 20. 31.
[k] Ac. 7. 43, called *Moloch*.
[l] Mal. 1. 12.
[m] Ro. 14. 13.
[n] Ro. 1. 27.
[o] Ec. 5. 7. 1 Pe. 2. 17.
[p] Ps. 82. 2. Pr. 24. 23. Ja. 2. 9.
[q] Ex. 22. 19.
[r] Mat. 15. 18. 20. 1 Co. 3. 17.
[s] Ps. 15. 3.
[t] De. 18. 12.
[u] 1 Ki. 21. 13. Mat. 26. 60, 61
[w] Nu. 35. 34. Je. 2. 7. Eze. 36. 17.
[x] Ps. 89. 32. Is. 26. 21. Je. 5. 9, 29. Ho. 2. 13. 9. 9.
[y] 1 Jno. 2. 9.
[z] Mat. 18. 15. Ga. 6. 1 Ep. 5. 11.
† or, *that thou bear not sin for him*. Ro. 1. 32. 1 Co. 5. 2. 2 Jno. 11.
[a] Ro. 12. 17, 19. 1 Pe. 2. 1. Ja. 5. 9.
[b] Mat. 5. 43. Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[c] Jo. 9. 19. Eze. 36. 13, 17.
‡ *reproached by*, or, *for man*, or, *abused by any*.
§ or, *they*.
‖ or, *there shall be a scourging*.
[d] De. 18. 9. *f* ch. 5. 15.
[e] 1 Pe. 1. 16.
[f] Ex. 20. 12.
[g] Ex. 31. 13.
[h] 1 Co. 10. 14. 1 Jno. 5. 21.
[#] *holiness of praises to the LORD*
[i] Pr. 3. 9.
[k] De. 12. 23.
[l] 2 Ch. 33. 6.
[m] Is. 15. 2.
[n] Je. 16. 6.
[o] Ru. 2. 16.
[p] Le. 24. 15.
[q] De. 6. 13. 10. 20.
[r] De. 25. 13. Pr. 20. 10, 23.
[s] Ps. 15. 3. Pr. 11. 13. Je. 6. 28. Eze. 22. 9.
[t] Pr. 29. 10. 1 Jno. 3. 12, 15.
[u] Le. 19. 18. Mat. 5. 43. 22. 39. Ro. 13. 9. Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[v] Pr. 10. 12. 1 Pe. 4. 8.
[w] Ro. 12. 19. 1 Th. 5. 15. 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[x] Ps. 103. 9. Is. 57. 16. Je. 3. 5. Mi. 7. 18.
[y] Le. 5. 6. Nu. 5. 7.
[z] Ps. 22. 23. 50. 14, 23. 107. 22. 116. 17. Ho. 14. 2. Re. 19. 5.
[a] Ge. 9. 4. De. 12. 16, 23. 15. 23. 1 Sa. 14. 32, 33. Eze. 33. 25.
[b] De. 18. 10. 2 Ki. 17. 17. 21. 6. 2 Ch. 33. 6. Is. 2. 6. Eze. 21. 21.
[c] Je. 9. 26. 25. 23. 49. 32. Eze. 44. 20.
[d] De. 14. 1. Je. 16. 6. 41. 5. 47. 5. Mi. 1. 16.

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29 ¶ Do [a] not [o] prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.

30 ¶ Ye [c] shall keep my sabbaths, and [d] reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

31 ¶ Regard [f] not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.

32 ¶ Thou [h] shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

33 ¶ And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not [†] vex him.

34 *But* [i] the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and [k] thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

35 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

36 Just [l] balances, just [‡] weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

37 Therefore shall ye observe [m] all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XX.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, [r] Whosoever *he be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth *any* of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.

3 And [n] I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to [o] defile my sanctuary, and [p] to profane my holy name.

4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from the man, when he giveth of his seed unto Molech, and [q] kill him not:

5 Then [b] I will set my face against that man, and [s] against his family, and will cut him off, and all that [t] go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people.

6 ¶ And [u] the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.

7 ¶ Sanctify [l] yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I *am* the LORD your God.

8 And [m] ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: [n] I *am* the LORD which sanctify you.

9 ¶ For [o] every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; [o] his blood *shall be* upon him.

10 ¶ And [r] the man that committeth adultery with *another* man's wife, *even he* that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

11 And [p] the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

12 And [r] if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death: [o] they have wrought confusion; their blood *shall be* upon them.

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[a] De. 23. 17.
[o] *prostitute.*
[b] Ju. 19. 22.
[c] ch. 26. 2.
[d] Ec. 5. 1.
[e] ch. 18. 17.
[f] 1 Sa. 28. 7. Ac. 16. 16.
[g] De. 27. 27.
[h] Pr. 20. 29. 1 Ti. 5. 1.
[†] or, *oppress.*
[i] Ex. 12. 48, 49.
[k] De. 10. 19.
[l] Pr. 20. 10.
[‡] *stones.*
[m] ch. 15. 24. 18. 19.
[§] *made naked.*
[n] Ps. 119. 4, 34. 1 Jno. 3. 22, 23.
[o] ch. 18. 12, 13.
[p] ch. 18. 6.
[q] De. 12. 31. 18. 10. 2 Ki. 17. 17. 23. 10. 2 Ch. 33. 6. Je. 7. 31. 32. 35. Eze. 20. 26, 31.
[r] ch. 18. 14.
[s] ch. 18. 16.
[ll] *a separation.*
[t] ch. 17. 10.
[u] Eze. 5. 11. 23. 38, 39.
[x] ch. 18. 21.
[y] ch. 18. 25, 28.
[z] ch. 18 3.
[a] De. 17. 3, 3, 5.
[b] 1 Pe. 3. 10.
[c] ch. 18. 27. De. 8. 5.
[d] Ex. 20. 5.
[e] Ex. 3. 17. 6. 8.
[f] ch. 17. 7.
[g] ch. 19. 31.
[h] Ex. 19. 16. De. 7. 6. 1 Ki. 8. 53.
[i] ch. 11. 47. De. 14. 4.
[k] ch. 11. 43.
[l] ch. 11. 44. 19. 2. 1 Pe. 1. 16.
[m] ch. 19. 37.
[o] or, *moveth.*
[n] Ex. 31. 13. Eze. 37. 28.
[o] Ex. 21. 17. De. 27. 16. Pr. 20. 20. Mat. 15. 4.
[p] ch. 19. 2. 1 Pe. 1. 16.
[r] Tit. 2. 14.
[s] 2 Sa. 1. 16.
[t] De. 22. 22. Jno. 8. 4, 5.
[u] Ex. 22. 18 De. 18. 10, 11. 1 Sa. 28. 7, 8.
[o] ch. 18. 8.
[x] 1 Co. 5. 1.
[z] ch. 18. 15.
[y] Eze 44. 25.
[z] ch. 18. 23.

13 If [b] a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

14 And [c] if a man take a wife and her mother, it *is* wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.

15 And [d] if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.

16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

17 And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it *is* a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.

18 And [m] if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath [§] discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.

19 And [o] thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: [p] for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.

20 And [q] if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.

21 And [r] if a man shall take his brother's wife, it *is* [ll] an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

22 ¶ Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, [y] spue you not out.

23 And [z] ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and [a] therefore I abhorred them.

24 But [b] I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I *am* the LORD your God, [c] which have separated you from *other* people.

25 Ye [d] shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that [e] creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: [f] for I the LORD *am* holy, and [g] have severed you from *other* people, that ye should be mine.

27 ¶ A [h] man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood *shall be* upon them.

CHAP. XXI.

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto them, [i] There shall none be defiled for the dead among his people:

2 But for his kin, that is near unto him, *that is,* for his mother, and for his father,

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and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother,

3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her may he be defiled.

4 *But* [a] he shall not defile himself, *being* a chief man among his people, to profane himself.

5 They [d] shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.

6 They shall be holy unto their God, and [f] not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, *and* [g] the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy.

7 They [h] shall not take a wife *that is* a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman [k] put away from her husband: for he *is* holy unto his God.

8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: [m] for I the LORD, which sanctify you, *am* holy.

9 ¶ And [p] the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

10 And [r] *he that is* the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil was poured, and [t] that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor rend his clothes;

11 Neither shall he [x] go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother;

12 Neither [z] shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for [a] the crown of the anointing oil of his God *is* upon him: I *am* the LORD.

13 And [c] he shall take a wife in her virginity.

14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, *or* an harlot, these shall he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his own people to wife.

15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctify him.

16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever *he be* of thy seed in their generations that hath *any* blemish, let him not [s] approach to offer the [‖] bread of his God.

18 For whatsoever man *he be* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any thing [t] superfluous,

19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or brokenhanded,

20 Or crookbackt, or [u] a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or [w] hath his stones broken;

21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come nigh to [x] offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.

22 He shall eat the bread of his God, *both* of the [y] most holy, and of the [r] holy.

23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the altar, because he hath a blemish; that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I the LORD do sanctify them.

24 And Moses told *it* unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

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[a] Nu. 6. 3.
[*] *being an husband among his people, he shall not defile himself* for his wife, &c.
Eze.24.16,17
[b] ch. 18. 21.
[c] Ex. 28. 36. Nu. 18. 32. De. 15. 19.
[d] De. 14. 1.
Eze. 44. 20.
[e] ch. 7. 20.
[f] ch. 18. 21.
[g] ch. 3. 11.
[†] *running of the reins.*
ch. 15. 2.
[h] Eze. 44. 22.
[i] ch. 14. 2. 15. 13.
[j] Nu.19.11,22
[k] De. 24. 1, 2.
[l] ch. 15. 16.
[m] ch.11.34,43, 44.
[n] ch. 20. 7, 8.
[o] ch. 15.7,19.
[p] Ge. 38. 24.
[r] ch. 5.
He. 10. 22.
[s] Ex.29 29,30 Nu. 35. 25.
[t] ch. 16. 32. Ex. 28. 2.
[u] ch. 21. 22.
[x] Ex. 22. 31.
Eze. 44. 31.
[z] Nu. 19. 14.
[y] Ex. 28. 43.
[a] ch. 10. 7.
[c] ch.8.9,12.30 Ex. 28. 36.
[b] 1 Sa. 21. 6.
[e] Eze. 44. 22.
[*] *with the purchase of his money.*
[d] Nu.18.11,13
[‖] *a man a stranger.*
[e] Ge. 38. 11.
[f] ch. 10. 6. Nu.18.11,19
[g] ch. 10. 3. Nu. 18. 5. Ps. 64. 4.
[‖] or, *food.*
ch. 3. 11.
[h] ch. 5. 15,16.
[i] ch. 22. 23.
[k] Nu. 18. 32.
[*] or, *too slender.*
[†] or, *lade themselves with the iniquity of trespass in their eating*
[l] Ps. 38. 4. Is. 53.11,12.
[m] De. 23. 1.
[n] ver. 6.
[o] ch. 1. 2,3,10. Nu. 15. 14.
[p] ch. 2. 3, 10. 24. 9. Nu. 18. 9.
[r] ch.22.10-12 Nu. 18. 19.
[s] Mal. 1.8,14. Ep. 5. 27. He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19.

CHAP. XXII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they [a] separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, and that they [b] profane not my holy name *in those things* which they [c] hallow unto me: I *am* the LORD.

3 Say unto them, Whosoever *he be* of all your seed among your generations, that goeth unto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow unto the LORD, [d] having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from my presence: I *am* the LORD.

4 What man soever of the seed of Aaron *is* a leper, or hath a [†] running issue; he shall not eat of the holy things, [e] until he be clean. And [f] whoso toucheth any thing *that is* unclean *by* the dead, or [g] a man whose seed goeth from him;

5 Or [m] whosoever toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or [n] a man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath;

6 The soul which hath touched any such shall be unclean until even, and shall not eat of the holy things, unless he [r] wash his flesh with water.

7 And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward eat of the holy things; because [s] it *is* his food.

8 That [t] which dieth of itself, or is torn *with beasts*, he shall not eat to defile himself therewith: I *am* the LORD.

9 They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, [v] lest they bear sin for it, and die therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify them.

10 There [b] shall no stranger eat *of* the holy thing: a sojourner of the priest, or an hired servant, shall not eat *of* the holy thing.

11 But if the priest buy *any* soul [‡] with his money, he shall eat of it, and he that is born in his house: [d] they shall eat of his meat.

12 If the priest's daughter also be *married* unto [§] a stranger, she may not eat of an offering of the holy things.

13 But if the priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and is [e] returned unto her father's house, [f] as in her youth, she shall eat of her father's meat: but there shall no stranger eat thereof.

14 ¶ And [h] if a man eat *of* the holy thing unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth *part* thereof unto it, and shall give *it* unto the priest with the holy thing.

15 And [k] they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they offer unto the LORD;

16 Or [†] suffer them [l] to bear the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things: for I the LORD do sanctify them.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18 Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them, [o] Whatsoever *he be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer his oblation for all his vows, and for all his freewill offerings, which they will offer unto the LORD for a burnt offering;

19 *Ye shall offer* at your own will a male without blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats.

20 *But* [r] whatsoever hath a blemish.

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that shall ye not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.

21 And [a] whosoever offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD [d] to accomplish *his* vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or [†] sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein.

22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make [f] an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD.

23 Either a bullock or a [‡] lamb that hath any thing [§] superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer *for* a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.

24 Ye shall not offer unto the LORD that which is bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut; neither shall ye make *any offering thereof* in your land.

25 Neither [i] from a stranger's hand shall ye offer [k] the bread of your God of any of these; because their corruption *is* in them, *and* blemishes *be* in them: they shall not be accepted for you.

26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

27 When [m] a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be accepted for an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

28 And *whether it be* cow or [§] ewe, ye shall not kill it [p] and her young both in one day.

29 And when ye will [r] offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the LORD, offer *it* at your own will.

30 On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave [t] none of it until the morrow: I *am* the LORD.

31 Therefore [u] shall ye keep my commandments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.

32 Neither [v] shall ye profane my holy name; but [x] I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I *am* the LORD which [y] hallow you,

33 That [z] brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, *Concerning* [a] the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall [b] proclaim *to be* holy convocations, *even* these *are* my feasts.

3 Six [c] days shall work be done: but the seventh day *is* the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work *therein*: it *is* the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

4 ¶ These [d] *are* the feasts of the LORD, *even* holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

5 In [e] the fourteenth *day* of the first month at even *is* the LORD's passover.

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month *is* the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

7 In [f] the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day *is* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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[a] Ex. 23. 16, 19. Nu. 15. 3, 18. De. 16. 9. Jos. 3. 15.
[b] ch. 3. 1, 6.
[c] ch. 7. 16. Nu. 15. 3, 8. De. 23. 21, 23. Ps. 61. 8. 65. 1. Ec. 5. 4, 5.
[*] *omer*, or, *handful*.
[d] Ro. 11. 16. 1 Co. 15. 20. Ja. 1. 18. Re. 14. 4.
[†] or, *goats*.
[e] Ex. 29. 24.
[f] ch. 1. 9, 13.
[‡] or, *kid*.
[§] ch. 21. 18.
[h] ch. 2. 14. 16
[i] Nu. 15. 15, 16
[k] ch. 21. 6, 17.
[l] Ex. 24. 32. De. 16. 9.
[m] Ex. 22. 30.
[n] Ac. 1.
[o] Nu. 28. 26.
[§] or, *she goat*
[p] De. 22. 6.
[r] Ps. 107. 22. 116. 17. Am. 4. 5.
[s] De. 26. 1.
[t] ch. 7. 15.
[u] Nu. 15. 40. De. 4. 40.
[v] ch. 18. 21.
[x] Mat. 6. 9. Lu. 11. 2.
[y] ch. 20. 8.
[z] ch. 4. 23, 25. Nu. 28. 30. Ro. 8. 3. 2 Co. 5. 21.
[a] ch. 11. 45. 19. 36. Ex. 6. 7. Nu. 15. 41.
[b] ch. 3. 1.
[c] ver. 4, 37.
[d] Nu. 18. 12. De. 18. 4. 1 Co. 9. 11, 13, 14.
[e] Ex. 32. 5. 2 Ki. 10. 20. Ps. 81. 3.
[f] Ex. 20. 9. De. 5. 13. Lu. 13. 14.
[g] ch. 16. 8.
[h] Ex. 23. 14.
[i] De. 24. 19. Ru. 2. 2, &c. Job 31. 16, 21. Ps. 41. 1, 3. 112. 9. Pr. 11. 24, 25. Is. 58. 7, 11. Lu. 11. 41. 12. 33. 2 Co. 9. 6, 15 Ga. 2. 10.
[k] Ex. 12. 6, 14, 18. 13. 3, 10. 23. 15. 34. 18. Nu. 9. 2, 3. De. 16. 1, 8. Jos. 5. 10.
[l] Nu. 28. 18, 25.
[m] Nu. 29. 1.
[n] Ps. 81. 1, 4. 1 Co. 14. 26.

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [a] When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a [*] sheaf of [d] the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

11 And he shall [e] wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

12 And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the *first* year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

13 And [h] the meat offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof *shall be* of wine, the fourth *part* of an hin.

14 And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

15 ¶ And [i] ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:

16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number [n] fifty days; and ye shall offer [o] a new meat offering unto the LORD.

17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baken with leaven; *they are* [p] the firstfruits unto the LORD.

18 And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, *even* an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto the LORD.

19 Then ye shall sacrifice [r] one kid *of* the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of [s] peace offerings.

20 And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits *for* a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: [t] they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest.

21 And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day *that* it may be an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work *therein*: *it shall be* a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

22 ¶ And [u] when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, [v] neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the [m] seventh month, in the first *day* of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, [n] a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.

25 Ye shall do no servile work *therein*: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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27 Also [o] on the tenth *day* of this seventh month *there shall be* a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it *is* a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

29 For whatsoever soul *it be* that shall not be afflicted in that same day, [d] he shall be cut off from among his people.

30 And whatsoever soul *it be* that doeth any work in that same day, [f] the same soul will I destroy from among his people.

31 Ye shall do no manner of work: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

32 It *shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth *day* of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye [o] celebrate your sabbath.

33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

34 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, [k] The fifteenth day of this seventh month *shall be* the feast of tabernacles *for* seven days unto the LORD.

35 On the first day *shall be* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.

36 Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: [l] on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a [†] solemn assembly; *and* ye shall do no servile work *therein*.

37 These [p] *are* the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day:

38 Beside [q] the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.

39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have [r] gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day *shall be* a sabbath, and on the eighth day *shall be* a sabbath.

40 And [s] ye shall take you on the first day the [t] boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.

41 And [u] ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.

42 Ye [x] shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths:

43 That [y] your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

44 And Moses [z] declared unto the children of Israel the [‡] feasts of the LORD.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command [a] the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, [†] to cause the lamps to burn continually.

3 Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before the LORD continually. *it shall be* a statute for ever in your generations.

4 He shall order the lamps upon [b] the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.

5 ¶ And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve [c] cakes thereof: two tenth deals shall be in one cake.

6 And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, [c] upon the pure table before the LORD.

7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon *each* row, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

8 Every [d] sabbath he shall set it in order before the LORD continually, *being taken* from the children of Israel by an everlasting covenant.

9 And [e] it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; [f] and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it is most holy unto him of the offerings of the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.

10 ¶ And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father *was* an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel: and this son of the Israelitish *woman* and a man of Israel strove together in the camp;

11 And the Israelitish woman's son blasphemed the name *of the LORD*, and [m] cursed. And they [n] brought him unto Moses: (and his mother's name *was* Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan:)

12 And they [o] put him in ward, [‡] that [r] the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.

13 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

14 Bring forth him that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard *him* [s] lay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.

15 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Whosoever curseth his God [u] shall bear his sin.

16 And he that [x] blasphemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, *and* all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemeth the name *of the LORD*, shall be put to death.

17 ¶ And [y] he that [‖] killeth any man shall surely be put to death.

18 And [z] he that killeth a beast shall make it good; [a] beast for beast.

19 And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as [b] he hath done, so shall it be done to him;

20 Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him *again*.

21 And [c] he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: [d] and he that killeth a man, he shall be put to death.

22 Ye shall have [e] one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for I *am* the LORD your God.

23 ¶ And Moses spake to the children of Israel, that they should bring forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and stone him with stones. And the children of Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAP. XXV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,

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[o] ch. 16. 30. Nu. 29. 7.
[b] Ex. 31. 8. 39. 37.
[c] Ex 25. 30.
[d] Ge. 17. 14.
[e] 2 Ch. 4. 19. 13. 11. He. 9. 2. 3.
[f] ch. 30. 3, 5, 6.
[g] Nu. 4. 7. 1 Ch. 9. 32. 2 Ch. 2. 4.
[h] 1 Sa. 21. 6. Mar. 2. 26.
[o] *rest.*
[i] ch. 8. 3. 21. 22. Ex. 29. 33.
[k] Ex. 23. 16. Nu. 29. 12. De. 16. 13. Ezr. 3. 4. Ne. 8. 14. Zec. 14. 16. Jno. 7. 2.
[l] Nu. 29. 35. Ne. 8. 18. Jno. 7. 37.
[m] Job 2. 5. 9, 10. Is. 8. 21.
[n] Ex. 18. 22, 26.
[†] day of *restraint.* De. 16. 8. 2 Ch. 7. 9. Ne. 8. 18. Joel 1. 14. 2. 15.
[o] Nu. 15. 34.
[‡] *to expound unto them according to the mouth of the LORD.*
[p] ver. 2, 4.
[q] Nu. 27. 5. 30. 5, 6.
[r] Nu. 29. 39.
[s] De. 13. 9. 17. 7.
[u] Nu. 9. 13.
[x] Ex. 23. 16. De. 16. 13.
[y] 1 Ki. 21. 10, 13. Ps. 74. 10, 18. Mar. 3. 28. Ja. 2. 7.
[z] Ne. 8. 15.
[a] *fruit.*
[x] Nu. 35. 31. De. 19. 11, 12.
[‖] *smiteth the life of a man.*
[a] ver. 21.
[b] Nu. 29. 12.
[c] *life for life.*
[d] De. 19. 21. Mat. 5. 38. 7. 2.
[d] Ne. 8. 14...16
[e] De. 31. 13. Ps. 78. 5. 6.
[f] Ex. 21. 33.
[g] ver. 17.
[h] Ex. 12. 49.
[i] ver. 2.
[k] Ex. 27. 20, 21
[†] *to cause to ascend.*

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2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land † keep [a] a sabbath unto the LORD.

3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof;

4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

5 That ‡ which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither gather the grapes ‡ of thy vine undressed: *for* it is a year of rest unto the land.

6 And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee,

7 And for thy cattle, and for the beast that *are* in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be meat.

8 ¶ And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet [b] of the jubile to sound on the tenth *day* of the seventh month, [c] in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and [d] proclaim liberty throughout *all* the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; [e] and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.

11 A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather *the grapes* in it of thy vine undressed.

12 For it *is* the jubile; it shall be holy unto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the field.

13 In [m] the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession.

14 And if thou sell ought unto thy neighbour, or buyest *ought* of thy neighbour's hand, [n] ye shall not oppress one another:

15 According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, *and* according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee:

16 According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for *according to* the number *of the years* of the fruits doth he sell unto thee.

17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I *am* the LORD your God.

18 ¶ Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them; [o] and ye shall dwell in the land in safety.

19 And the land shall yield her fruit, and [p] ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety.

20 And if ye shall say, [q] What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase:

21 Then I will [r] command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for three years.

22 And [s] ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat *yet* of [t] old fruit until the ninth year; until her fruits come in ye shall eat *of* the old *store*.

23 ¶ The land shall not be sold [u] for ever: for [v] the land *is* mine; for ye *are* [w] strangers and sojourners with me.

24 And in all the land of your possession ye shall grant a redemption for the land.

25 ¶ If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath sold away *some* of his possession, and if [x] any of his kin come to redeem it, then shall he redeem that which his brother sold.

26 And if the man have none to redeem it, and § himself be able to redeem it;

27 Then *f* let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it; that he may return unto his possession.

28 But if he be not able to restore *it* to him, then that which is sold shall remain in the hand of him that hath bought it until the year of jubile: [g] and in the jubile it shall go out, and he shall return unto his possession.

29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a whole year after it is sold; *within* a full year may he redeem it.

30 And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that *is* in the walled city shall be established for ever to him that bought it throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubile.

31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the fields of the country: [y] they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.

32 Notwithstanding [z] the cities of the Levites, *and* the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Levites redeem at any time.

33 And if † a man purchase of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in *the year of* jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites *are* their possession among the children of Israel.

34 But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it *is* their perpetual possession.

35 ¶ And if thy brother be waxen poor, and ‡ fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt § relieve [a] him: *yea, though he be* a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee.

36 Take [b] thou no usury of him, or increase: but [c] fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee.

37 Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase.

38 I [d] *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, *and* [e] to be your God.

39 ¶ And [f] if thy brother *that dwelleth* by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou shalt not ‖ compel him to serve as a bondservant:

40 *But* as an hired servant, *and* as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, *and* shall serve thee unto the year of jubile:

41 And *then* shall he depart from thee, *both* he and his children [g] with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return.

42 For they *are* [h] my servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold [i] as bondmen.

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* *for cutting off*, or, *to be quite cut off.*
† *rest.*
[m] Ex. 23. 10. 25. 1 Ch. 7. 28. Ps. 85. 1. Joel 2. 18. 3. 2.
[n] 1 Ch. 23. 15. Ps. 39. 12. 119. 19. 1 Pe. 2. 11.
[o] Ro. 3. 3, 9, 19. Je. 32. 7, 8.
[p] 2 Ki. 19. 29.
‡ *of thy separation.*
§ *his hand hath attained and found sufficiency.*
ch. 5. 7.
[f] ver. 50, 52.
[g] 1 Pe. 3. 4, 5.
‖ *loose of sound.*
[h] ch 23. 24, 27.
[i] Is. 61. 2. 63. 4. Je. 34. 8, &c. Lu. 4. 19.
* *redemption belongeth unto it.*
[k] Nu. 35. 4.
[l] Nu. 35. 2. Jos. 21. 2, &c
† or, *one of the Levites redeem them.*
[m] Nu. 36. 4.
[n] 1 Sa. 12. 3, 4. Mi. 2. 2. 1 Co. 6. 8.
‡ *his hand faileth.*
§ *strengthen*
[o] Pr. 14. 31. Lu. 6. 35. Ac. 11. 29. Ro. 12. 13. 1 Tim. 5. 17.
[p] Ps. 15. 5. Pr. 28. 8. Eze. 22. 12.
[q] Ne. 5. 9.
[r] ch. 22. 32, 33.
[s] Ex. 31. 2. De. 15. 12. 1 Ki. 9. 22. 2 Ki. 4. 1. Je. 34. 14.
[t] Ps. 4. 8 Pr. 1. 33. Je. 23. 6.
‖ *serve thyself with him with the service, &c.*
[u] Eze. 34. 25. 27, 28.
[v] Mat. 6. 25, 31.
[w] Ex. 21. 3.
[x] Ex. 18. 29.
[y] Ro. 6. 22. 1 Co. 7. 23.
[z] 2 Ki. 19. 29.
[a] Jos. 5. 11, 12.
* *with the sale of a bondman.*

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43 Thou [a] shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.

44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, *shall be* of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.

45 Moreover of [c] the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy, and of their families that *are* with you, which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession.

46 And *f* ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit *them for* a possession; [g] they shall be your bondmen for *ever*: but over your brethren the children of Israel, ye shall not rule one over another with rigour.

47 ¶ And if a sojourner or stranger † wax rich by thee, and thy brother *that dwelleth* by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger *or* sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family:

48 After that he is sold he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren may [i] redeem him:

49 Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or *any* that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able, he may redeem himself.

50 And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years, [p] according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him.

51 If *there be* yet many years *behind*, according unto them he shall give again the price of his redemption out of the money that he was bought for.

52 And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then he shall count with him, *and* according unto his years shall he give him again the price of his redemption.

53 *And* as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him; *and the other* shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight.

54 And if he be not redeemed ‖ in these *years*, then [r] he shall go out in the year of jubile, *both* he, and his children with him.

55 For unto me the children of Israel *are* servants; they *are* my servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

CHAP. XXVI.

YE shall make you [d] no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a [e] standing image, neither shall ye set up † *any* image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I *am* the LORD your God.

2 ¶ Ye [f] shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

3 ¶ If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;

4 Then [t] I will give you rain in due season, [k] and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

5 And [m] your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye [n] shall eat your bread to the full, and [p] dwell in your land safely.

6 And [q] I will give peace in the land, and [r] ye shall lie down, and none shall make *you* afraid: and I will [s] rid [u] evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

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[a] Ep. 6. 9. Col. 4. 1.
[b] Jos. 23. 10.
[c] Is. 56. 3, 6.
[d] Ge. 17. 6, 7. Ps. 107. 38.
[e] Ps. 76. 2. Re. 21. 3.
[f] Is. 14. 2.
[g] 2 Co. 6. 16.
[h] Je. 7. 23. Eze. 11. 20.
[i] *ye shall serve your-selves with them.* ver. 39.
† *his hand obtain, &c.* ver. 26.
[k] Je. 2. 20.
[l] Le. 3. 17. Mal. 2. 2.
[m] Ne. 5. 5.
[n] upon you. De. 28. 65. 67
[o] Mi. 6. 15.
[p] Ju. 2. 14.
[q] Je. 19. 7.
[r] Job 7. 1. Is. 16. 14. 21. 16.
[s] Ps. 103. 41.
[t] Ps. 53. 5.
[u] Ps. 119. 164. Pr. 24. 16.
[v] Is. 25. 11.
[w] De. 28. 22.
[x] Ps. 127. 1. Is. 49. 4.
[y] Hag. 1. 10.
§ or, *all adventures with me.*
‖ or, *by these means.*
[z] Ex. 21. 2, 3.
[a] Eze. 5. 17.
[b] Le. 5. 6. 2 Ch. 15. 5. Is. 33. 8.
[c] Am. 4. 6..12
[d] Ex. 20. 4, 5. De. 5. 8.
[e] Le. 26. Ps. 97. 7.
[f] or, *pillar.*
[g] Ps. 18. 28.
† *a stone of picture,* or, *figured stone.*
[h] Eze. 6. 3.
[i] eb. 19. 30.
[k] Je. 29. 17, 18.
[l] Is. 30. 23. Eze. 34. 26. Joel 2. 23, 24
[m] Ps. 67. 6. 85. 12.
[n] Ps. 105. 16. Is. 3. 1.
[o] Am. 9. 13.
[p] Mi. 6. 14.
[q] De. 11. 15.
[r] Job 11. 18.
[s] 1 Ch. 23. 9. Ps. 29. 11. Is. 45. 7.
[t] Is. 66. 15. Je. 21. 5.
[u] Ps. 3. 5.
[v] Ho. 2. 18.
[w] 2 Ki. 17. 25.
‡ *cause to cease.*
[x] De. 28. 53. 2 Ki. 6. 29. La. 4. 10.

7 And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

8 And [b] five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

9 For I will have respect unto you, and [d] make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you.

10 And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.

11 And [e] I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you.

12 And I [f] will walk among you, and [h] will be your God, and ye shall be my people.

13 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; [i] and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright.

14 ¶ But [k] if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;

15 And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, *but* that ye break my covenant:

16 I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint [l] over you [m] terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and [n] ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

17 And I will set my face against you, and [o] ye shall be slain before your enemies: [p] they that hate you shall reign over you; and [q] ye shall flee when none pursueth you.

18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you [r] seven times more for your sins.

19 And I will [s] break the pride of your power; and I [t] will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass:

20 And your [v] strength shall be spent in vain: for [y] your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.

21 ¶ And if ye walk § contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

22 I [w] will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and [x] your *high* ways shall be desolate.

23 And if ye [z] will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

24 Then [a] will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins.

25 And *I* will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of *my* covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, [b] I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.

26 *And* [c] when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver *you* your bread again by weight: and [d] ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

27 And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me;

28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also [e] in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins.

29 And [f] ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

30 And I will destroy your high places,

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and cut down your images, and cast your carcases upon the carcases of your idols, and my soul shall [h] abhor you.

31 And [a] I will make your cities waste, and [d] bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours.

32 And / I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

33 And [f] I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

34 Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye *be* in your enemies' land; *even* then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.

35 As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.

36 And upon them that are left *alive* of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and [i] the sound of a [o] shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

37 And [l] they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.

38 And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.

39 And they that are left of you [m] shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.

40 If [n] they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;

41 And *that* I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their [p] uncircumcised hearts be [q] humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:

42 Then will I [r] remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will [s] remember the land.

43 The [u] land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they [v] despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.

44 And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, [x] I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I *am* the LORD their God.

45 But I will [a] for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, [a] whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt [b] in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I *am* the LORD.

46 These [d] *are* the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel [e] in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.

CHAP. XXVII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and

[a] Ge. 28. 20. 22. Nu. 6. 2. Ju. 11. 30. 31, 39. 1 Sa. 1. 11. 28.
[b] Ps. 89. 38. Je. 14. 19.
[c] Ne. 2. 3.
[d] Ps. 74. 7. La. 1. 10.
[e] Ex. 30. 13.
[f] Je. 9. 11.
[g] Ps. 44. 11. Je. 9. 16. Zec. 7. 14.
[h] Ps. 90. 10.
[i] Job 15. 21. Pr. 28. 1.
[k] Le. 21. 1..4. 2 Co. 6. 12, 13.
[o] *driven.*
[l] 18a. 14. 15, 16
[m] Ho. 5. 15.
[n] 1 Ki. 8. 33, 47 Le. 15. 18. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[p] *according to thy estimation, O priest, &c.*
[q] eh. 22. 14.
[r] Je. 6. 10. 9. 25, 26. Eze. 44. 7. Ac. 7. 51. Ro. 2. 29. Col. 2. 11.
[s] 1 Ki. 21. 29. 2 Ch. 12. 6, 7, 12. 32. 26. 33. 12, 13.
[u] Ex. 2. 24. 6. 5. Ps. 105. 45. Eze. 16. 60. Le. 1. 72.
[v] eh. 5. 16.
[x] Ps. 136. 23.
[u] eh. 25. 2..7. 2 Ch. 36. 21. Is. 24. 5, 6. Ro. 8. 22.
[v] ver. 15.
[z] or, *the land of an homer, &c.*
[x] De. 4. 31. 2 Ki. 13. 23. Ro. 11. 1, 2.
[y] eh. 25. 15. 16.
[z] Ro. 11. 28.
[a] eh. 22. 33. 25. 38.
[b] eh. 6. 4, 5.
[c] Ps. 98. 2. Eze. 20. 9, 14, 22.
[d] eh. 27. 34. De. 6. 1. 12. 1. 33. 4. Jno. 1. 17.
[e] eh. 25. 1.
[f] eh. 25. 10, 28, 31.
[g] ver. 28.
[h] Nu. 18. 14. Eze. 44. 29.

say unto them, [c] When a man shall make a singular vow, the persons *shall be* for the LORD by thy estimation.

3 And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years old, even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, [f] after the shekel of the sanctuary.

4 And if it *be* a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty shekels.

5 And if *it be* from five years old even unto twenty years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male twenty shekels, and for the female ten shekels.

6 And if *it be* from a month old even unto five years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver, and for the female thy estimation *shall be* three shekels of silver.

7 And if *it be* [h] from sixty years old and above; if *it be* a male, then thy estimation shall be fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels.

8 But [k] if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him.

9 And if *it be* a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the LORD, all that *any man* giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy.

10 He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be holy.

11 And if *it be* any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a sacrifice unto the LORD, then he shall present the beast before the priest:

12 And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: [t] as thou valuest it, *who art* the priest, so shall it be.

13 But if he will at all redeem it, [o] then he shall add a fifth *part* thereof unto thy estimation.

14 ¶ And when a man shall sanctify his house *to be* holy unto the LORD, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand.

15 And [s] if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth *part* of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his.

16 And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD *some part* of a field of his possession, then thy estimation shall be according to the seed thereof: [z] an homer of barley seed *shall be valued at* fifty shekels of silver.

17 If he sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand.

18 But if he sanctify his field [x] after the jubile, then the priest shall [y] reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubile, and it shall be abated from thy estimation.

19 And if he that sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it, [z] then he shall add the fifth *part* of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him.

20 And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more.

21 But the field, / when it goeth out in the jubile, shall be holy unto the LORD, as a field [g] devoted; [h] the possession thereof shall be the priest's.

22 And if *a man* sanctify unto the LORD

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SYRIAN LARGE-TAILED SHEEP.—Lev. viii. 25.



COLLARED TURTLE DOVES.—Lev. xiv. 22.

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a field which he hath bought, which *is* not of the fields of [a] his possession;

23 Then [b] the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, *even* unto the year of the jubile: and he shall give thine estimation in that day, *as* a holy thing unto the LORD.

24 In [c] the year of the jubile the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, *even* to him to whom the possession of the land *did belong*.

25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: [f] twenty gerahs shall be the shekel.

26 ¶ Only the [g] firstling [f] of the beasts, which should be the LORD'S firstling, no man shall sanctify it; whether *it be* ox, or sheep: it *is* the LORD'S.

27 And if *it be* of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem *it* according to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth *part* of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to thy estimation.

28 Notwithstanding [h] no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto the LORD of

B. C. 1498.

[a] ch. 25. 10,25.
[b] ver. 18.
[c] Nu. 21. 2, 3.
[d] ch. 25. 28.
[e] Ge. 28. 22. Nu. 18.21,24 2 Ch.31.5,6. 12.
No. 13. 12. Mal. 3.8,10.
[f] Ex. 30. 13. Nu. 3. 47. 18. 16. Eze. 45. 12.
[g] *firstborn, &c.*
[f] Ex. 13.2,12. 22. 30. Nu. 18. 17.
[h] Je. 33. 18. Eze. 20. 37. Mi. 7. 14.
[i] ch. 26. 46. De. 4. 45. Jno. 1. 17.
[k] Jos.6.17..19

all that he hath, *both* of man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing [h] is most holy unto the LORD.

29 None [i] devoted, which shall be devoted of men, shall be redeemed; *but* shall surely be put to death.

30 And [k] all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land, *or* of the fruit of the tree, *is* the LORD'S: *it is* holy unto the LORD.

31 And if a man will at all redeem *ought* of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth *part* thereof.

32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, *even* of whatsoever [k] passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.

33 He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.

34 These [l] *are* the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

[l] Le. 1. 1.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. VIII.—SHEEP. No subject in natural history is more frequently alluded to in the Scriptures than the sheep. Its great utility rendered it one of the first objects of man's solicitude. Even the chiefs of the patriarchs tended their flocks: by day and by night their cares were their constant care. Their sheep were their chief wealth, and their occupation shepherds. Among their shepherds and shepherdesses we find the names of Rachel, Joseph, Moses, and David. The Easterns could therefore enter more fully into the charming allusion of the sacred writers to the Shepherd and his flock than we can possibly do. If we study their mutual attachment—the appreciated value of the one, and the indefatigable and persevering care and tenderness of the other, as frequently described—we shall see how much beauty there is in the language of the prophet, "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young;" or the language of our Lord himself, "I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine . . . . . And I lay down my life for the sheep." John x. 14, 15. The sheep, or lamb, was the common sacrifice under the Mosaic law; and it is to be remarked, that when the Divine Legislator speaks of this victim, he never omits to appoint that the rump, or tail, be laid whole on the fire of the altar. This was esteemed the most delicate part of the animal, and therefore the most proper to be presented in sacrifice to Jehovah. There are two varieties of sheep in Syria, one of which is called the 'Bidweon sheep,' and nearly resembles our own, except that the tail is somewhat larger and thicker. The other variety is most common, and is doubtless that of which the Scripture speaks. Dr. Thaddeus Harris says that it is more valued than the Bidweon sheep, on account of the extraordinary bulk of its tail, which has been remarked by all the eastern travellers. The carcass of one of these sheep, without including the head, feet, entrails, and skin, weighs from fifty to sixty pounds, of which the tail makes up fifteen pounds. Some of a larger size, fattened with care, will sometimes weigh one hundred and fifty pounds, the tail alone composing one-third of the whole weight. It is of a substance between fat and marrow, and is not eaten separately, but mixed with the lean meat in many of the dishes, and often also used instead of butter. A reference to this part is made in Exod. xxix. 22, and Lev. iii. 9, where the fat and the tail were to be burnt on the altar of sacrifice.' Though this was esteemed the best of the sheep, and therefore, as above remarked, was properly offered to God, yet there might be, as has been suggested, another reason for its being consumed on the altar: 'bilious disorders are very frequent in hot countries; the eating of fat meat is a great encouragement and excitement to them; and though the fat of the tail is now considered as a delicacy, it is really unwholesome.' Dr. T. Harris remarks, 'The conclusion of the 17th verse, which is, "Yo shall eat neither fat nor blood," justifies this opinion. The prohibition of eating fat, that is, of fat unmixed with the flesh, the *omentum* or *caul*, is given also Lev. vii. 23. The reflecting mind can never look on this animal without the most serious associations; it must think on Him who was "led as a sheep to the slaughter,"—who "died for our sins,"—"the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world,"—who is the great "shepherd and bishop of souls,"—and who, as the Judge of the world, shall at the last day divide "the sheep from the goats."

CH. XIV.—COLLARED TURTLE. The turtle-dove of Scripture is generally supposed to be the collared turtle which is domesticated with us. It is still abundant in Egypt and other parts of the East, where it is fostered and cultivated with care. The male is particularly distinguished by its fondness for its mate, its constant cooing notes, and its frequent repetition of one which strongly resembles a laugh. 'By the Hebrew law, doves and turtle-doves were the only birds that could be offered in sacrifice; and they were usually selected for that purpose by the less wealthy, Gen. xv. 9; Lev. v. 7; xii. 6; Luke ii. 24; and to supply the demand for them, dealers in these birds sat about the precincts of the temple, Mat. xxi. 12, &c.' When God drowned a guilty world, the dove was the first harbinger of peace, Gen. viii. 8, 10, &c. The olive branch being used as the emblem of peace originated with Noah's dove; for, when sent out of the ark a second time, she returned with an olive leaf plucked off; by which it was evident that the flood had considerably abated, and had sunk below the tops of the trees, and thus relieved the fears and cheered the hearts of Noah and his family. As Christ was made under the law, he was made subject to the usual rites and ceremonies of the law. Hence, as the firstborn were specially to be presented to the Lord, because the firstborn of Israel were preserved when the destroying angel passed through the land of Egypt, so was Jesus presented by his mother. The firstborn were redeemed at the price of five shekels, Lev. xxvii. 6; Num. xviii. 16. Probably in case of poverty the priest was allowed to take less, or nothing. In the case of Mary no mention is made of the circumstance. However, the two turtle-doves, or young pigeons, were brought instead of a lamb for a burnt offering, and a dove for a sin offering, which one more wealthy must have presented. The lesson taught in the text was, that in every address to God, and particularly in those upon special occasions, both to give thanks to God for his mercies to us, and to acknowledge with sorrow and shame our sins against him, and in both we must give glory to him; nor do we ever want matter for both. Christ was not conceived and born in sin, as others are, so there was not that occasion in his case that there is in others; yet, because he was made under the law, he complied with it; "thus it became him to fulfil all righteousness."'

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The Fourth Book of MOSES, called NUMBERS.

So called from its containing an account of the numbering and marshalling of the Israelites.

CHAP. I.

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AND the LORD spake unto Moses [b] in the wilderness of Sinai, [c] in the tabernacle of the congregation, on the first *day* of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 Take [d] ye the sum of all the congregation of the [e] children of Israel, [f] after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of *their* names, every male by their polls;

3 From [h] twenty years old and upward, all that are [i] able to go forth to war in Israel: thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.

4 And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one [k] head of the house of his fathers.

5 ¶ And these *are* the names of the men that shall stand with you: of *the tribe of* Reuben; Elizur the son of Shedeur.

6 Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

7 Of Judah; Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

8 Of Issachar; Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

9 Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.

10 Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim; Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh; Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

11 Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.

12 Of Dan: Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

13 Of Asher; Pagiel the son of Ocran.

14 Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of [o] Deuel.

15 Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of Enan.

16 These [p] *were* the renowned of the congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers, [r] heads of thousands in Israel.

17 ¶ And Moses and Aaron took these men which are expressed by *their* names:

18 And they assembled all the congregation together on the first *day* of the second month, and [t] they declared their pedigrees after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls.

19 As the LORD commanded Moses, so [u] he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai.

20 And the children of [x] Reuben, Israel's eldest son, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

21 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Reuben, *were* forty and six thousand and five hundred.

22 ¶ Of the children of [z] Simeon, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, those that were numbered of them, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

23 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Simeon, *were* fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

24 ¶ Of the children of [a] Gad, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

25 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Gad, *were* forty and five thousand six hundred and fifty.

26 ¶ Of the children of [c] Judah, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

27 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Judah, *were* threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

28 ¶ Of the children of [d] Issachar, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

29 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Issachar, *were* fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

30 ¶ Of the children of [e] Zebulun, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

31 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Zebulun, *were* fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

32 ¶ Of the children of [g] Joseph, *namely*, of the children of Ephraim, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

33 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the [h] tribe of Ephraim, *were* forty thousand and five hundred.

34 ¶ Of the children of [i] Manasseh, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

35 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Manasseh, *were* thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

36 ¶ Of the children of [k] Benjamin, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

37 Those that were [l] numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Benjamin, *were* thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

38 ¶ Of the children of [m] Dan, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

39 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Dan, *were* threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

40 ¶ Of the children of [n] Asher by their

[b] Ge. 46. 19. 1 Ch. 5. 18.
[b] ch. 10. 11, 12. Ex. 19. 1. Le. 27. 34.
[c] Ex. 25. 22. Le. 1. 1.
[d] ch. 26. 2, 63, 64. Ex. 30. 12. 38. 26. 2 Sa. 24. 2. 1 Ch. 21. 2.
[e] Ge. 49. 1, 2. Ex. 1. 1..5.
[f] Ex. 6. 14..19
[g] Ge. 49. 8..12 1 Ch. 5. 2. Ps. 60. 7.
[h] ch. 14. 29. 32. 11. Ex. 30. 14.
[i] De. 3. 18. 2 Ch. 17. 13.. 19. 26. 11..14.
[k] Ex. 18. 25. Jos. 22. 14.
[l] Ge. 49. 14, 15
[m] Ge. 49. 13.
[n] Ge. xxxvii. xxxix. xlviii. 49. 22..26.
[o] ch. 2. 14. *Reuel.*
[p] ch. 7. 2. Ju. 6. 15. 1 Ch. 27. 16.
[r] Ex. 18. 21, 25 De. 1. 15. 1 Sa. 22. 7. 23. 23. Mi. 5. 2.
[t] Ge. 46. 8. De. 33. 17.
[u] Exr. 2. 59. Ne. 7. 5, 6.
[x] ch. 2. 21. 26. 34. Ge. 46. 9, 10. 49. 3.
[z] ch. 26. 1, 2. 2 Sa. 24. 1..9
[a] Ge. 46. 9. 49. 3. 1 Ch. 5. 1.
[c] Ge. 44. 20. 49. 27.
[d] ch. 26. 41. Ju. 20. 44..46 2 Ch. 17. 17. 18.
[e] Ge. 34. 25.. 30. 49. 5, 6.
[g] Ge. 49. 16, 17
[h] Ge. 49. 20.

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generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war:

41 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe of Asher, were forty and one thousand and five hundred.

42 ¶ Of the children of [d] Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

43 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe of Naphtali, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

44 These are those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of Israel, being twelve men: each one was for the house of his fathers.

45 So were all those that were numbered of the children of Israel, by the house of their fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war in Israel;

46 Even all they that were numbered were [k] six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

47 ¶ But [l] the Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them.

48 For the LORD had spoken unto Moses, saying,

49 Only [m] thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the children of Israel:

50 But [n] thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof, and over all things that belong to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, [o] and shall encamp round about the tabernacle.

51 And [p] when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down: and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: [q] and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

52 And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, [r] every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.

53 But [s] the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no [t] wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel: [u] and the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of testimony.

54 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

CHAP. II.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 Every [a] man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of their father's house: [b] far [c] off about the tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch.

3 And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of Judah pitch throughout their armies: and [d] Nahshon the son of Amminadab *shall be* captain of the children of Judah.

4 And his host, and those that were

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[e] ch. 1. 27. 26. 22.
[b] ch. 1. 8. 7. 18,23. 10. 15.
[c] ch. 1. 29. 26. 25.
[d] Ge. 49. 21.
[e] ch. 1. 9. 7. 24,29. 10. 16.
[f] ch. 26. 35,37
[g] ch. 10. 14.
[h] ch. 7. 30,35. 10. 18.
[i] ch. 26. 7.
[k] ch. 2. 32. 26. 51.
Ge. 12. 16.
Ex. 12. 37. 38. 26.
De. 10. 22.
1 Ki. 4. 20.
2 Ch. 13. 3.
Ho. 11. 11,12
Re. 7. 4-9.
[l] ch. 2. 33. III. IV. 26. 57.
1 Ch. VI. 21. 6.
[m] ch. 7. 36,41. 10. 19.
[n] ch. 26. 14.
[o] ch. 2. 33. 26. 62.
[p] ch. 1. 14. 7. 42,47. 10. 20. *Deuel.*
[q] ch. 3. 7, 8. 4. 15,25. 27,33. Ex. 30. 21.
[r] ch. 26. 18.
[s] ch. 3. 23,29, 35, 38.
[t] ch. 10. 18.
[u] ch. 10. 17,21.
[x] 1 Co. 14. 40. Col. 2. 5.
[y] ch. 3. 10,38. 18. 22.
[z] ch. 2. 2, 34.
[a] ch. 10. 22. De. 33. 17. Ps. 80. 2.
[b] ver. 50.
[c] ch. 7. 48,53. 1 Ch. 7. 26.
[d] ch. 6. 19. 16. 46. 18. 5. Le. 10. 6. 1 Sa. 6. 19.
[e] ch. 3. 7, 8. 8. 24...26 18. 3...5. 31. 30,47. 1 Ch. 23. 32. 2 Ch. 13. 10.
[f] ch. 26. 37
[g] ch. 7. 54,59. 10. 23.
[h] ch. 26. 24.
[i] ch. 1 52.
[k] ch. 7. 60,65. 10. 24.

[o] *over against.*
[l] Jos. 3. 4.
[m] ch. 26. 41.
[n] ch. 10. 14. Ru. 4. 20. 1 Ch. 2. 10. Mat. 1. 4. Lu. 3. 32,33.

numbered of them, [e] were threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

5 And those that do pitch next unto him *shall be* the tribe of Issachar: and [h] Nethaneel the son of Zuar *shall be* captain of the children of Issachar.

6 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, [f] were fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

7 *Then* the tribe of Zebulun: and [g] Eliab the son of Helon *shall be* captain of the children of Zebulun.

8 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

9 All that were numbered in the camp of Judah *were* an hundred thousand and fourscore thousand and six thousand and four hundred, throughout their armies. [i] These shall first set forth.

10 ¶ On the south side *shall be* the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben *shall be* [k] Elizur the son of Shedeur.

11 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, [l] were forty and six thousand and five hundred.

12 And those which pitch by him *shall be* the tribe of Simeon: and the captain of the children of Simeon *shall be* [m] Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

13 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [n] were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

14 Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of Gad *shall be* Eliasaph the son of [p] Reuel.

15 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [o] were forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty.

16 All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben *were* an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. [q] And they shall set forth in the second rank.

17 ¶ Then [r] the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camp: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards.

18 ¶ On the west side *shall be* the standard of the camp of [s] Ephraim according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim *shall be* [t] Elishama the son of Ammihud.

19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [u] were forty thousand and five hundred.

20 And by him *shall be* the tribe of Manasseh: and the captain of the children of Manasseh *shall be* [x] Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

21 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [y] were thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

22 Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of Benjamin *shall be* [z] Abidan the son of Gideoni.

23 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [a] were thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

24 All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim *were* an hundred thousand and eight thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies. And they shall go forward in the third rank.

25 ¶ The standard of the camp of Dan *shall be* on the north side by their armies:

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and the captain of the children of Dan *shall be* [a] Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

26 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [b] *were* threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

27 And those that encamp by him *shall be* the tribe of Asher: and the captain of the children of Asher *shall be* [c] Pagiel the son of Ocran.

28 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [d] *were* forty and one thousand and five hundred.

29 ¶ Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the captain of the children of Naphtali *shall be* [e] Ahira the son of Enan.

30 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [f] *were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

31 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan *were* an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They [g] shall go hindmost with their standards.

32 ¶ These *are* those which were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of their fathers: [h] all those that were numbered of the camps throughout their hosts *were* six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

33 But [i] the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses.

34 And the children of Israel did [k] according to all that the LORD commanded Moses: [l] so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families, according to the house of their fathers.

CHAP. III.

THESE also *are* the [a] generations of Aaron and Moses in the day *that* the LORD [m] spake with Moses in mount Sinai.

2 And these *are* the names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the [n] firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

3 These *are* the names of the sons of Aaron, [b] the priests which were anointed, [†] whom he [c] consecrated to minister in the priest's office.

4 And [d] Nadab and Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered strange fire before the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father.

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

6 Bring [e] the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him.

7 And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the tabernacle of the congregation, to do [o] the service of the tabernacle.

8 And they shall keep all the instruments of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle.

9 And [p] thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they *are* wholly given unto him out of the children of Israel.

10 And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, [q] and they shall wait on their priest's office: [r] and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 And I, behold, [s] I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel

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[a] ch. 7. 66,71. 10. 25.
[b] ch. 26. 43,43.
[c] ch. 8. 16. Ex. 13. 2. Le. 27. 26. Lu. 2. 23.
[d] ch. 8. 17. Ex. 13. 12,15
[e] ch. 7. 72,77. 10. 26.
[f] ch. 26. 47.
[g] ver. 39. ch. 26. 62.
[h] ch. 7. 78,83. 10. 27.
[i] ch. 26. 50.
[k] *mouth.*
[l] ch. 26. 57. Ge. 46. 11. Ex. 6. 16. 1 Ch. 6. 1,16 23.
[m] ch. 10. 25.
[n] Ex. 6. 17.
[o] ch. 1. 46. 11. 21. Ex. 38. 26.
[p] Ex. 6. 16.
[q] Ex. 6. 19.
[r] ch. 1. 47.
[s] Ex. 39. 42. Ps. 119. 6. Lu. 1. 6.
[t] ch. 24. 2,5,6.
[u] ch. 1. 53.
[v] Ge. 2. 4. 5. 1. 10. 1. Mat. 1. 1.
[w] Le. 25. 1. 27. 34.
[x] Ex. 6. 23.
[y] ch. 4. 34...28.
[z] Ex. 25. 9.
[a] Ex. 28. 1.
[b] Ex. 28. 41. Le. VIII.
[c] Ex. 26. 7,14.
[d] Ex. 26. 36.
[†] *whose hand he filled.*
[e] Ex. 29. 1...37. Le. IX. He. 7. 28.
[f] ch. 26. 61. Le. 10. 1. 1 Ch. 24. 2.
[g] Ex. 27. 9.
[h] Ex. 27. 16.
[i] Ex. 35. 18.
[k] 1 Ch. 26. 23.
[l] ch. 8. 6. 18. 2. Ex. 32. 26. 29 De. 33. 8, 9.
[m] ch. 1. 50. 8. 11,15, 24,26.
[n] ch. 1. 53.
[o] ch. 8. 19. 18. 6.
[p] ch. 4. 15.
[q] Ex. 25. 10.
[r] Ex. 25. 23.
[s] Ex. 25. 31.
[t] Ex. 27. 1. 30. 1.
[u] ch. 18. 7.
[v] Ex. 28. 38.
[w] ch. 16. 40.
[x] ch. 8. 16. 18. 6.

instead of all the firstborn that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel: therefore the Levites shall be mine;

13 Because [y] all the firstborn *are* mine; [z] *for* on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast: mine shall they be: I *am* the LORD.

14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,

15 Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families: [a] every male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them.

16 And Moses numbered them according to the [o] word of the LORD, as he was commanded.

17 And [b] these were the sons of Levi by their names; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari.

18 And these *are* the names of the sons of Gershon by their families; [m] Libni, and Shimei.

19 And the sons of Kohath by their families; [c] Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Uzziel.

20 And [d] the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli, and Mushi. These *are* the families of the Levites according to the house of their fathers.

21 Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: these *are* the families of the Gershonites

22 Those that were numbered of them according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *even* those that were numbered of them *were* seven thousand and five hundred.

23 The [n] families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle westward.

24 And the chief of the house of the father of the Gershonites *shall be* Eliasaph the son of Lael.

25 And [p] the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the congregation *shall be* [e] the tabernacle, and [n] the tent, [f] the covering thereof, and [g] the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,

26 And [h] the hangings of the court, and [k] the curtain for the door of the court, which *is* by the tabernacle, and by the altar round about, and [i] the cords of it for all the service thereof.

27 ¶ And [k] of Kohath *was* the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izeharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these *are* the families of the Kohathites.

28 In the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* eight thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary.

29 The [o] families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle southward.

30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites *shall be* Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

31 And [p] their charge *shall be* [r] the ark, and [s] the table, and [t] the candlestick, and [u] the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith they minister, and [w] the hanging, and all the service thereof.

32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *shall be* chief over the chief of the Levites, *and have* the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.

33 ¶ Of Merari *was* the family of the

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Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites: these *are* the families of Merari.

34 And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* six thousand and two hundred.

35 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari *was* Zuriel the son of Abihail: *these* shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle northward.

36 And [n] *under* [o] the custody and charge of the sons of Merari *shall be* the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all the vessels thereof, and all that serveth thereto,

37 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords.

38 ¶ But [p] those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, *even* before the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, *shall be* Moses, and Aaron and his sons, [q] keeping the charge of the sanctuary [r] for the charge of the children of Israel; and [s] the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

39 All [t] that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD, throughout their families, all the males from a month old and upward, *were* twenty and two thousand.

40 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [u] Number all the firstborn of the males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names.

41 And [v] thou shalt take the Levites for me (I *am* the LORD) instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel: and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of Israel.

42 And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the children of Israel.

43 And all the firstborn males by the number of names, from a month old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen.

44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

45 Take [w] the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall be mine: [x] I *am* the LORD.

46 And for those that are to be [y] redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children of Israel, which are more than the Levites;

47 Thou shalt even take [z] five shekels apiece by the poll, after the shekel of the sanctuary shalt thou take *them:* ([a] the shekel is twenty gerahs:)

48 And thou shalt give the money, wherewith the odd number of them is to be redeemed, unto Aaron and to his sons.

49 And Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and above them that were [b] redeemed by the Levites:

50 Of the firstborn of the children of Israel took he the money; [c] a thousand three hundred and threescore and five *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary:

51 And Moses [d] gave the money of them that were redeemed unto Aaron and to his sons, according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.

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[n] ch. 1. 53.
[o] ch. 3. 24. 1 Ch. 23. 3, 24. 27.
[p] *the office of the charge.*
[q] ch. 4. 31, 32.
[r] ver. 15.
[s] ver. 19.
[t] Ex. 26. 31.
[u] ch. 1. 53.
[v] ch. 18. 5. 1 Ch. 6. 48, 49
[w] ver. 7, 8.
[x] Ex. 25. 23, 30. 30. Le. 24. 6, 8.
[y] ver. 10. 1 Sa. 6. 19. 2 Sa. 6. 7. 2 Ch. 26. 16. 21. Ep. 2. 19. He. 9. 8. 10. 19. 22
[z] ch. 26. 62.
† or, *pour out withal.*
[a] ver. 15. Ps. 87. 6. Is. 4. 3. Lu. 10. 20. 2 Ti. 2. 19. He. 12. 23.
[b] Ex. 25. 31.
[c] Ex. 25. 37, 38
[d] ver. 12, 45.
[e] Ex. 30. 1, 3.
[f] ver. 12, 41.
‡ or, *bowls.*
[g] Is. 44. 6. 45. 5.
[h] ch. 18. 15. Ex. 13. 13. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19
[i] ch. 18. 16. Le. 27. 6.
[k] ch. 7. 9. 10. 21. De. 31. 9. 2 Sa. 6. 13. 1 Ch. 15. 2, 15
[l] 2 Sa. 6. 6, 7. 1 Ch. 13. 9, 10
[m] Ex. 30. 13. Le. 27. 25. Eze. 45. 12.
[n] ch. 3. 31.
[o] Ex. 25. 6. Le. 24. 2.
[p] Ex. 30. 34.
[q] Mat. 20. 28. 1 Ti. 2. 5, 6. He. 9. 12. 1 Pe. 3. 18.
[r] Ex. 29. 40.
[s] Ex. 30. 23.
[t] ver. 46, 47.
[u] ver. 48. 1 Sa. 12. 3, 4. Ac. 20. 33. 1 Co. 9. 12. 2 Co. 11. 7, 9 1 Pe. 5. 2.

CHAP. IV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by the house of their fathers,

3 From [h] thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.

4 This [i] *shall be* the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation, *about* [k] the most holy things:

5 ¶ And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down [l] the covering vail, and cover the [m] ark of testimony with it:

6 And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread over *it* a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in [n] the staves thereof.

7 And upon the [o] table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and covers to [†] cover withal: and the continual bread shall be thereon:

8 And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves thereof.

9 And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the [p] candlestick of the light, [q] and his lamps, and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister unto it:

10 And they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *it* upon a bar.

11 And upon [r] the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put to the staves thereof:

12 And they shall take all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put *them* in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *them* on a bar:

13 And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon:

14 And they shall put upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it, *even* the censers, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the [‡] basons, all the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering of badgers' skins, and put to the staves of it.

15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, [s] the sons of Kohath shall come to bear *it:* [t] but they shall not touch *any* holy thing, lest they die. [u] These *things are* the burden of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation.

16 ¶ And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *pertaineth* [v] the oil *for* the light, and the [w] sweet incense, and [x] the daily meat offering, and the [y] anointing oil, *and* the oversight of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein *is*, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

18 Cut ye not off the tribe of the families

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of the Kohathites from among the Levites:
19 But thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach unto [a] the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them every one to his service and to his burden:
20 But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered, [b] lest they die.
21 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
22 Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families;
23 From [c] thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in [d] to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.
24 This *is* the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve, and for [†] burdens:
25 And [e] they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, and the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the badgers' skins that *is* above upon it, and the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,
26 And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of the court, which *is* by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve.
27 At the [‡] appointment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burdens.
28 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the congregation: and their charge *shall be* [§] under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.
29 ¶ As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their families, by the house of their fathers;
30 From [h] thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old shalt thou number them, every one that entereth into the [§] service, to do the work of the tabernacle of the congregation.
31 And [i] this *is* the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tabernacle of the congregation; [k] the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and sockets thereof,
32 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service: and by name ye shall [l] reckon the instruments of the charge of their burden.
33 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in the tabernacle of the congregation, [m] under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.
34 ¶ And [n] Moses and Aaron and the chief of the congregation numbered the sons of the Kohathites after their families, and after the house of their fathers,
35 From [o] thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation:
36 And those that were numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and fifty.
37 These were they that were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all that

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[a] ver. 4.
[b] Ex. 19. 21. De. 4. 24. 1 Sa. 6. 19. 2 Sa. 6. 6, 7. Ha. 10. 19, 20. 12. 28, 29.
[c] ver. 3.
[d] *to wait the warfare.* Is. 63. 1...4. Ro. 7. 13...25. 1 Co. 9. 7. 2 Co. 10. 3...5. Ga. 5. 17. 24. Ep. 6. 10...17. 1 Ti. 1. 18. 6. 12. 2 Ti. 2. 3...5. 4. 7.
[e] ver. 22.
[†] or, *carriage.*
[f] ch. 3. 25, 26.
[‡] *mouth.* Lu. 1. 70. 1 Co. 11. 2.
[g] ver. 29.
[h] ver. 33. 1 Co. 12. 5, 6
[i] ver. 3, 23, 30.
[k] Ro. 12. 6...8. 1 Co. 12. 4... 31.
[l] ver. 3.
[§] *warfare.* See on ver. 23.
[m] ch. 3. 36, 37.
[n] ver. 15, 34, 31
[o] Ex. 38. 15.
[p] ver. 1, 21.
[p] ch. 12. 14. Le. 13. 3, 46. 2 Sa. 3. 29. 2 Ki. 5. 1, 27. 7. 3, &c. 2 Ch. 26. 19... 23. La. 4. 27. 7. 22. 17. 12...16 2 Co. 12. 7.
[q] Le. 15. 2.
[r] Ex. 25. 9. 39. 21. 1 Ch. 9. 29.
[s] ch. 9. 6, 10. 19. 11, 13. 31. 19. Le. 21. 1.
[t] Le. 26. 11, 12. Jno. 1. 14. 2 Co. 6. 16. Re. 21. 3.
[u] Is. 3. 6.
[v] ver. 2.
[w] ch. 8. 24, 26. 1 Ch. 23. 3, 27. Lu. 3. 23. 1 Ti. 3. 6.
[x] Le. 6. 2, 3.
[y] Le. 5. 5. 26. 40. Jos. 7. 19.
[z] Le. 6. 5.

night do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
38 And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, throughout their families, and by the house of their fathers,
39 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,
40 Even those that were numbered of them, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers, were two thousand and six hundred and thirty.
41 These [d] *are* they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, of all that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD.
42 ¶ And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers,
43 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,
44 Even those that were numbered of them after their families, were three thousand and two hundred.
45 These *be* those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered [f] according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
46 All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the chief of Israel numbered, after their families, and after the house of their fathers,
47 From [h] thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, [i] every one that came to do the service of the ministry, and the service of the burden in the tabernacle of the congregation,
48 Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and fourscore.
49 According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, [m] every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, [n] as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAP. V.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every [p] leper, and every one that hath an [q] issue, and whosoever is defiled by the [r] dead:
3 Both male and female shall ye put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they defile not their camps, [s] in the midst whereof I dwell.
4 And the children of Israel did so, and put them out without the camp: as the LORD spake unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
6 Speak unto the children of Israel, [y] When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty;
7 Then [z] they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall recompense his trespass [a] with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth *part* thereof, and give *it* unto *him* against whom he hath trespassed.

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8 But if the man have no kinsman to recompense the trespass unto, let the trespass be recompensed unto the LORD, *even* to the priest; beside [a] the ram of the atonement, whereby an atonement shall be made for him.

9 And every [b] offering [c] of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they bring unto the priest, shall be his.

10 And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatsoever any man giveth the priest, it shall be [d] his.

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and commit a trespass against him,

13 And a man [e] lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she be defiled, and *there be* no witness against her, neither she be taken *with the manner*:

14 And the [f] spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled:

15 Then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and he shall bring her offering for her, the tenth *part* of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it is an offering of jealousy, an offering of memorial, [g] bringing iniquity to remembrance.

16 And the priest shall bring her near, and [h] set her before the LORD:

17 And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; and [i] of the dust that is in the floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take, and put *it* into the water:

18 And the priest shall set the woman before the LORD, and [k] uncover the woman's head, and put the offering of memorial in her hands, which *is* the jealousy offering: and the priest shall have in his hand the [l] bitter water that causeth the curse:

19 And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say unto the woman, If no man have lain with thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness [m] *with another* instead of thy husband, be thou free from this bitter water that causeth the curse:

20 But [n] if thou hast gone aside *to another* instead of thy husband, and if thou be defiled, and some man have lain with thee beside thine husband:

21 Then the priest shall [o] charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, [p] The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy people, when the LORD doth make thy thigh to [q] rot, and thy belly to swell;

22 And this water that causeth the curse [r] shall go into thy bowels, to make *thy* belly to swell, and *thy* thigh to rot: [s] And the woman shall say, Amen, amen.

23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot *them* out with the bitter water:

24 And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse: and the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter.

25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy offering out of the woman's hand, and shall [t] wave the offering before the LORD, and offer it upon the altar:

26 And [u] the priest shall take an handful of the offering, *even* the memorial thereof, and burn *it* upon the altar, and afterward shall cause the woman to drink the water.

27 And when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come to pass, *that*, if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman [v] shall be a curse among her people.

28 And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed.

29 This *is* the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside *to another* [w] instead of her husband, and is defiled;

30 Or when the spirit of jealousy cometh upon him, and he be jealous over his wife, and shall set the woman before the LORD, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law.

31 Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity, and this woman [x] shall bear her iniquity.

CHAP. VI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall [y] separate [z] *themselves* to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate *themselves* unto the LORD:

3 He [a] shall separate *himself* from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried.

4 All the days of his [b] separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the [c] vine tree, from the kernels even to the husk.

5 All the days of the vow of his separation there shall no [d] razor come upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth *himself* unto the LORD, he shall be holy, *and* shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow.

6 All the days that he separateth *himself* unto the LORD [e] he shall come at no dead body.

7 He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die: because the [f] consecration of his God *is* upon his head.

8 All the days of his separation he *is* holy unto the LORD.

9 And if any man die very suddenly by him, and he hath defiled the head of his consecration; then he shall [g] shave his head in the day of his cleansing, on the seventh day shall he shave it.

10 And [h] on the eighth day he shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

11 And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make an atonement for him, for that he sinned by the dead, and shall hallow his head that same day.

12 And he shall consecrate unto the LORD the days of his separation, and shall bring a lamb of the first year [i] for a trespass offering: but [k] the days that were before shall [l] be lost, because his separation was defiled.

13 ¶ And this *is* the law of the Nazarite, [m] when the days of his separation are fulfilled: he shall be brought unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

14 And he shall offer his offering unto the LORD, one he lamb of the first year

[a] Le. 6. 5, 7. 7. 7.
[b] or, *heave offerings*.
[c] ch. 18. 8, 9, 19 Ex. 29. 28. Le. 6. 17, 18, 26 7. 6...10, 14 De. 18. 3, 4. Eze. 44. 29, 30 Mal. 3. 8...10 1 Co. 9. 7...13
[d] De. 28. 37. Ps. 83. 9, 11. Je. 24. 9. 29. 18, 22 42. 18. Zec. 8. 13.
[e] Le. 20. 13.
[f] ver. 19.
[g] Le. 18. 20. 20. 10. Pr. 2. 16, 17. 7. 5...27. 30. 20.
[h] Le. 20. 17...20
[i] Pr. 6. 34. Ca. 8. 6. Zep. 3. 8. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[k] or, *made themselves Nazarites*.
[l] Le. 27. 2. Ju. 13. 5. Ac. 21. 23. Ro. 1. 1.
[m] Am. 2. 12. Lu. 1. 15.
[n] 1 Ki. 17. 18. Eze. 29. 16. Ho. 10. 3.
[o] Je. 17. 10. He. 13. 4.
[p] or, *Nazaritehip*.
[q] Je. 17. 13. La. 3. 29. Jno. 8. 3...11
[r] *wine of the grape*.
[s] Ju. 13. 5. 1 Sa. 1. 11.
[t] Le. 13. 45. He. 4. 12, 13.
[u] De. 29. 18. Pr. 5. 4. Ec. 7. 26. Je. 2. 19.
[v] Le. 21. 11.
[w] *under thy husband*, or, *being in the power of thy husband*. Ro. 7. 2.
[x] *separation*.
[y] Ge. 39. 7, 12. Pr. 7. 10, &c.
[z] Jos. 6. 26. 1 Sa. 14. 24. Ne. 10. 29.
[a] Ac. 18. 18. 21. 24.
[b] Je. 29. 22.
[c] Le. 15. 14, 29
[d] *full*.
[e] Ps. 109. 18.
[f] De. 27. 15.
[g] Le. 5. 6.
[h] Eze. 18. 24. Je. 2. 10. 2 Jno. 8.
[i] *full*.
[k] Le. 8. 27.
[l] Ac. 21. 26.
[m] Le. 2. 2, 9.

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without blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish [a] for a sin offering, and one ram without blemish [b] for peace offerings,

15 And a basket of unleavened bread, [c] cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and wafers of unleavened bread [d] anointed with oil, and their meat offering, and their [e] drink offerings.

16 And the priest shall bring *them* before the LORD, and shall offer his sin offering, and his burnt offering:

17 And he shall offer the ram *for* a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, with the basket of unleavened bread: the priest shall offer also his meat offering, and his drink offering.

18 And [f] the Nazarite shall shave the head of his separation *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall take the hair of the head of his separation, and put *it* in the fire which is under the sacrifice of the peace offerings.

19 And the priest shall take the [g] sodden shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and [h] shall put *them* upon the hands of the Nazarite, after *the hair of* his separation is shaven:

20 And the priest shall [i] wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD: this *is* holy for the priest, with the wave breast and heave shoulder: and [k] after that the Nazarite may drink wine.

21 This *is* the law of the Nazarite who hath vowed, *and of* his offering unto the LORD for his separation, beside *that* that his hand shall get: according to the vow which he vowed, so he must do after the law of his separation.

22 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise [l] ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

24 The LORD [m] bless thee, and [n] keep thee:

25 The LORD [o] make his face shine upon thee, and [p] be gracious unto thee:

26 The / LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and [q] give thee peace.

27 And [r] they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and [s] I will bless them.

CHAP. VII.

AND it came to pass on the day that Moses had [t] fully set up the tabernacle, and had anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the instruments thereof, both the altar and all the vessels thereof, and had anointed them, and sanctified them;

2 That [u] the princes of Israel, heads of the house of their fathers, who *were* the princes of the tribes, [v] and were over them that were numbered, [w] offered:

3 And they brought their offering before the LORD, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagon for two of the princes, and for each one an ox: and they brought them before the tabernacle.

4 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

5 Take *it* of them, that they may be to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; and thou shalt give them unto the Levites, to every man according to his service.

6 And Moses took the wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the Levites.

7 Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon, according to their service:

8 And [x] four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

9 But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none: because / the service of the sanctuary belonging unto them [y] *was that* they should bear upon their shoulders.

10 ¶ And the princes offered for [z] dedicating of the altar in the day that it was anointed, even the princes offered their offering before the altar.

11 And the LORD said unto Moses, They [a] shall offer their offering, each prince on his day, for the dedicating of the altar.

12 ¶ And he that offered his offering the first day was [b] Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah:

13 And his offering *was* one silver charger, [c] the weight thereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them *were* full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

14 One [d] spoon of ten *shekels* of gold, full of [e] incense:

15 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

16 One kid of the goats for a [f] sin offering:

17 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

18 ¶ On the second day [g] Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer:

19 He offered *for* his offering one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

20 One spoon of gold of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

21 One young bullock one ram, one lamb of the first year, for [h] a burnt offering:

22 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

23 And for a sacrifice of [i] peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

24 ¶ On the third day [k] Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of Zebulun, *did offer*:

25 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

26 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

27 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

28 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

29 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

30 ¶ On the fourth day [l] Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the children of Reuben, *did offer*:

31 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

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[a] Le. 4. 2, 27, 32
[b] ch. 6. 31.
[c] Le. 3. 6.
[d] Le. 2. 4.
[e] Ex. 29. 2.
[f] ch. 6. 15.
[g] ch. 15. 5, 7, 10
1 Co. 10. 31.
[h] 2 Sa. 6. 13.
[i] De. 20. 5.
1 Ki. 8. 63.
Ezr. 6. 16.
Ps. 30. title.
[k] 1 Co. 14. 33, 40.
[l] Ac. 18. 18.
21. 24.
[m] Ru. 4. 20.
Lu. 3. 32.
Naasson.
[n] Ex. 25. 29.
[o] Le. 8. 31.
1 Sa. 2. 15.
[p] Ex. 32. 33, 34
Le. 7. 30.
[q] 2 Ki. 25. 14, 15
[r] Ex. 20. 24.
[s] Le. 9. 21.
10. 15.
23. 11.
[t] Le. 4. 33.
[u] Ec. 9. 7.
Zec. 10. 7.
Mat. 26. 29.
Joh. 17. 4, 5.
19. 30.
[v] ch. 1. 8.
[w] 1 Ch. 23. 13.
[x] Ru. 2. 4.
Ps. 134. 3.
Ep. 6. 24.
Phi. 4. 23.
[y] Ps. 121. 7.
Joh. 17. 11.
Phi. 4. 7.
1 Th. 5. 23.
1 Pe. 1. 5.
Jude 24.
[z] Ps. 31. 16.
67. 1.
80. 3, 7, 19.
119. 135.
Da. 9. 17.
[a] Ge. 8. 20.
[b] Ge. 43. 29.
Joh. 1. 17.
Ro. 5. 21.
[c] Ps. 4. 6.
21. 6.
42. 5.
80. 15.
Ac. 2. 28.
[d] Le. 7. 11..13
[e] Ps. 29. 11.
85. 10.
Is. 26. 3, 12.
57. 19.
Lu. 2. 14.
Joh. 14. 27.
16. 33.
20. 21, 26.
Ac. 10. 36.
Ro. 5. 1.
15. 13, 33.
2 Th. 3. 16.
[f] De. 28. 10.
2 Ch. 7. 14.
Is. 43. 7.
Da. 9. 18, 19.
[g] Ps. 115. 12.
Ep. 2. 4, &c.
[h] ch. 1. 9.
[i] Ex. 40. 18.
[k] 1 Ki. 8. 64.
Mat. 23. 19.
[l] ch. 1. 4, &c.
* *who stood.*
[m] 2 Ch. 35. 8.
[n] ch. 1. 5.

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32 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

33 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

34 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

35 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

36 ¶ On the fifth day [b] Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the children of Simeon, *did offer*:

37 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

38 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

39 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

41 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

42 ¶ On the sixth day [f] Eliasaph the son of Deuel, prince of the children of Gad, *offered*:

43 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, a silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour [h] mingled with oil for a meat offering:

44 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

45 One [i] young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

46 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

47 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

48 ¶ On the seventh day [l] Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the children of Ephraim, *offered*:

49 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

50 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of [m] incense:

51 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

52 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

53 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

54 ¶ On the eighth day *offered* [p] Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of Manasseh:

55 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

56 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

57 One young bullock, one ram, one [s] lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

58 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

59 And for [u] a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

60 ¶ On the ninth day [x] Abidan the son of Gideoni, prince of the children of Benjamin, *offered*:

61 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

62 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

63 One [z] young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

64 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

65 And for a sacrifice of [a] peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

66 ¶ On the tenth day [c] Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan, *offered*:

67 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

68 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of [d] incense:

69 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

70 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

71 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

72 ¶ On the eleventh day [h] Pagiel the son of Ocran, prince of the children of Asher, *offered*:

73 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

74 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

75 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

76 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

77 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.

78 ¶ On the twelfth day [n] Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the children of Naphtali, *offered*:

79 His offering *was* one silver [e] charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

80 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

81 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

82 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

83 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

84 This *was* [f] the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the [i] princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold:

[a] ch. 1. 11. 2. 22.

[b] ch. 2. 12.

[c] Ps. 40. 6. Is. 53. 4. 2 Co. 5. 21.

[d] 1 Ki. 8. 63. Pr. 7. 14. Col. 1. 20.

[e] ch. 1. 12. 2. 25.

[f] ch. 1. 14. 2. 14. *son of* Reuel.

[g] Ps. 141. 2. Is. 66. 20. Da. 9. 27. Re. 5. 8. Phi. 4. 18. He. 13. 15.

[h] Le. 2. 5. 14. 10. He. 1. 9. 1 Joo. 2. 27.

[i] Ps. 50. 8. 14 51. 16. Is. 1. 11. Je. 7. 22. Am. 5. 22.

[k] ch. 1. 13. 2. 27.

[l] ch. 1. 10. 2. 18.

[m] Ps. 66. 15. Mal. 1. 11. Lu. 1. 10. Re. 8. 3.

[n] ch. 1. 15. 2. 29.

[o] Exr. 1. 9, 10. 8. 25, 27. Je. 52. 19. Da. 5. 2. Zec. 14. 20. Mat. 14. 8, 11

[p] ch. 1. 10. 2. 20.

[r] 1 Ch. 29. 6. 8. Exr. 2. 68, 69 Ne. 7. 70. 72 Is. 60. 6. 10. Re. 13. 10.

[s] Ex. 12. 5. Jno. 1. 29. Ac. 8. 32. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 5. 6.

[t] Ju. 5. 9.

[u] Le. 3. 1. Mi. 5. 5. 2 Co. 5. 19.. 21. Ep. 2 14.

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85 Each charger of silver *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, each bowl seventy: all the silver vessels *weighed* two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary:

86 The golden spoons *were* twelve, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after [e] the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons *was* an hundred and twenty *shekels*.

87 All the oxen for the [e] burnt offering *were* twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the lambs of the first year twelve, with their [f] meat offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering twelve.

88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings *were* twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the lambs of the first year sixty. This *was* the dedication of the altar, after that it was [h] anointed.

89 And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation [k] to speak with † him, then he heard [l] the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that *was* upon the ark of testimony, from between the [m] two cherubims: and he spake unto him.

CHAP. VIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When thou [n] lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light over against the candlestick.

3 And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the candlestick, as the LORD commanded Moses.

4 And [o] this work of the candlestick *was of* beaten gold, unto the shaft thereof, unto the flowers thereof, *was* [n] beaten work: [p] according unto the pattern which the LORD had shewed Moses, so he made the candlestick.

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

6 Take the Levites from among the children of Israel, and cleanse them.

7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them: Sprinkle [p] water of purifying upon them, and § let [r] them shave all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and so make themselves clean.

8 Then let them take a young bullock with [s] his meat offering, *even* fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a sin offering.

9 And [t] thou shalt bring the Levites before the tabernacle of the congregation: [u] and thou shalt gather the whole assembly of the children of Israel together:

10 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the LORD: and the children of Israel [v] shall put their hands upon the Levites:

11 And Aaron shall [w] offer the Levites before the LORD *for* an † offering of the children of Israel, that ‡ they may execute the service of the LORD.

12 And [x] the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering, unto the LORD, to make an atonement for the Levites.

13 And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them *for* an offering unto the LORD.

14 Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of Israel: and the Levites shall be [z] mine.

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[a] Ex. 29. 24.
[b] ch. 3. 12, 45.
[c] Ex. 30. 13. Le. 27. 3, 25.
[d] ch. 3. 13. Ex. 13. 2, 12, 13, 15. Lu. 2. 23.
[e] Ro. 12. 1. Ep. 5. 2.
[f] Le. 2. 1.
[g] ch. 3. 9.
[h] given.
[i] ver. 1.
[k] ch. 1. 53. 16. 46. 18. 5.
[l] 2 Ch. 26. 16.
[m] ch. 12. 8. Ex. 33. 9, 11.
† That is, God.
[n] Ex. 25. 37. 40. 25.
[o] Ro. 12. 1. 15. 16.
[p] 2 Ch. 30. 15., 17, 27. 31. 2.
[q] Ex. 25. 31.
[r] ver. 5, &c.
[s] Ex. 29. 18.
[t] Ex. 29. 40.
[u] ch. 4. 3.
1 Ch. 23. 3, 24. 27.
‡ to wor the warfare of, &c.
1 Ti. 1. 18.
[v] ch. 19. 9, 17, 18.
§ let them cause a razor to pass over, &c.
[x] Le. 14. 8, 9.
|| return from the warfare of the service.
[a] Le. 2. 1.
[b] ch. 1. 53.
[c] Ex. 29. 4. 40. 12.
[d] Le. 8. 3.
[e] Le. 1. 4.
[f] wave.
[g] ch. 28. 16. Ex. 12. 1, &c. Le. 23. 5. De. 16. 1, 2.
† wave offering.
‡ they may be to execute, &c.
§ between the two evenings. Ex. 12. 6.
[h] Ex. 29. 10.
[i] Jos. 5. 10.
[k] ch. 5. 2. 19. 11, 16. Jno. 18. 28.
[l] ch. 3. 45. 16. 9.

15 And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and [a] offer them *for* an offering.

16 For they *are* wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; [b] instead of such as open every womb, *even instead of* the firstborn of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me.

17 For [c] all the firstborn of the children of Israel *are* mine, *both* man and beast: on the day that I smote *every* firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself.

18 And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the children of Israel.

19 And [d] I have given the Levites *as* [e] a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an atonement for the children of Israel: [f] that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary.

20 And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, did to the Levites according unto all that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did the children of Israel unto them.

21 And [g] the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes; [p] and Aaron offered them *as* an offering before the LORD; and Aaron made an atonement for them to cleanse them.

22 And [r] after that went the Levites in to do their service in the tabernacle of the congregation before Aaron, and before his sons: [t] as the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

24 This *is it* that *belongeth* unto the Levites: [z] from twenty and five years old and upward they shall go in ‡ to wait upon the service of the tabernacle of the congregation:

25 And from the age of fifty years they shall ‖ cease waiting upon the service *thereof*, and shall serve no more:

26 But shall minister with their brethren in the tabernacle of the congregation, [b] to keep the charge, and shall do no service. Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charge.

CHAP. IX.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 Let the children of Israel also keep [f] the passover at his appointed season.

3 In the fourteenth day of this month, § at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.

4 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the passover.

5 And [h] they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel.

6 ¶ And there were certain men, who were [i] defiled by the dead body of a man, that they could not keep the passover on

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that day: [a] and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day:

7 And those men said unto him, We *are* defiled by the dead body of a man: wherefore are we kept back, that we may [b] not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed season among the children of Israel?

8 And Moses said unto them, Stand still, and [c] I will hear what the LORD will command concerning you.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or *be* in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the passover unto the LORD.

11 The [d] fourteenth day of the second month at even they shall keep it, *and* [e] eat it with unleavened bread and bitter *herbs*.

12 They [f] shall leave none of it unto the morning, [g] nor break any bone of it: [m] according to all the ordinances of the passover they shall keep it.

13 But the man that *is* clean, and is not in a journey, and forbeareth to keep the passover, even the same soul [n] shall be cut off from among his people: because he brought not the offering of the LORD in his appointed season, that man shall [o] bear his sin.

14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto the LORD; according to the ordinance of the passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: [p] ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land.

15 ¶ And [q] on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, *namely*, the tent of the testimony: and [r] at even there was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until the morning.

16 So it was alway: the cloud covered it *by day*, and the appearance of fire by night.

17 And when the cloud [s] was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents.

18 At the commandment of the LORD the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the LORD they pitched: [t] as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they rested in their tents.

19 And when the cloud [u] tarried long upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of Israel [v] kept the charge of the LORD, and journeyed not.

20 And *so* it was, when the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; according to the commandment of the LORD they abode in their tents, and according to the commandment of the LORD they journeyed.

21 And *so* it was, when the cloud † abode from even unto the morning, and *that* the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed: whether *it was* by day or by night that the cloud was taken up, they journeyed.

22 Or *whether it were* two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of Israel [w] abode in their tents, and journeyed not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed.

23 At the commandment of the LORD

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[a] ch. 27. 2. Ex. 18. 15, 19, 26.
[b] ver. 19.
[c] 1 Co. 5. 7, 8.
[d] Ps. 25. 14. 55. 8. Pr. 3. 5, 6. Jno. 7. 17. Ep. 1. 9, 18. He. 3. 5, 6.
[e] Is. 1. 13.
[f] Je. 4. 5. Joel 2. 15.
[g] ch. 1. 16. 7. 2. Ex. 18. 21. 2 Ch. 30. 2, 15
[h] Ex. 12. 8.
[i] ch. 2. 3.
[k] Ex. 12. 10.
[l] Jno. 19. 36.
[m] Ex. 12. 43.
[n] ch. 2. 10.
[o] Ge. 17. 14. Ex. 12. 15.
[p] ver. 3.
[q] Joel 2. 1.
[r] ch. 31. 6. Jos. 6. 4. 1 Ch. 15. 24. 2 Ch. 13. 12.
[s] ch. 5. 31.
[t] ch. 31. 6. Jos. 6. 5. 2 Ch. 13. 14.
[u] Ju. 2. 18. 4. 3. 6. 9. 10. 8. 12. 1 Sa. 10. 18. Ps. 106. 43.
[v] Ex. 12. 49.
[w] Ge. 8. 1. Ps. 105. 4.
[x] Ex. 40. 34. Nu. 9. 12, 19. Ps. 78. 14.
[y] ch. 29. 1. Le. 23. 24. 1 Ch. 15. 24. 2 Ch. 5. 12. 7. 6. 29. 26. Ezr. 3. 10. Ne. 12. 35. Ps. 81. 3.
[z] Ex. 13. 21.
[a] Jos. 4. 7.
[b] ch. 10. 11, 33, 34. Ps. 80. 1.
[c] ch. 9. 17.
[d] Ex. 40. 36.
[e] ch. 1. 1. 9. 5. Ex. 19. 1.
[f] ch. 12. 16. 13. 3, 26. Ge. 21. 21. De. 1. 1.
[g] 1 Co. 10. 1.
[h] *prolonged.*
[i] ch. 2. 34.
[k] ch. 1. 53.
[l] ch. 1. 7.
† *was.*
[m] ch. 1. 51.
[n] ch. 4. 24, 31. 7. 6, 8.
[o] ch. 2. 10, 16.
[p] Ex. 40. 36, 37

they rested in the tents, and at the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they [x] kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

CHAP. X.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the [y] calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.

3 And when [z] they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

4 And if they blow *but* with *one trumpet*, then the princes, *which are* [a] heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.

5 When ye blow an alarm, then [b] the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward.

6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie [c] on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys.

7 But when the congregation is to be gathered together, [d] ye shall blow, but ye shall not [e] sound an alarm.

8 And [f] the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.

9 And [g] if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that [h] oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be [i] remembered before the LORD your God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies.

10 Also [k] in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you [l] for a memorial before your God: I *am* the LORD your God.

11 ¶ And it came to pass on the twentieth *day* of the second month, in the second year, that the cloud [m] was taken up from off the tabernacle of the testimony.

12 And the children of Israel took [n] their journeys out of the [o] wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud rested in the [p] wilderness of Paran.

13 And they first took their journey [q] according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

14 ¶ In the first *place* went the standard of the camp of the children of Judah according to their armies: and over his host *was* [r] Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar *was* Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun *was* Eliab the son of Helon.

17 And [s] the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set forward, [t] bearing the tabernacle.

18 ¶ And [u] the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elizur the son of Shedeur.

19 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon *was* Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

20 And over the host of the tribe of the

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children of Gad *was* Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the [b] sanctuary: and [*] *the other* did set up the tabernacle against they came.

22 ¶ And [d] the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elishama the son of Ammihud.

23 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh *was* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

24 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin *was* Abidan the son of Gideoni.

25 ¶ And [/] the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, *which* was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host *was* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

26 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher *was* Pagiel the son of Ocran.

27 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali *was* Ahira the son of Enan.

28 ‡ Thus [h] *were* the journeyings of the children of Israel according to their armies, when they set forward.

29 ¶ And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of [i] Raguel the Midianite, Moses' father in law, We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, "I will give it you: come thou with us, and [k] we will do thee good: for [l] the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel.

30 And he said unto him, I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred.

31 And he said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to us [*] instead of eyes.

32 And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that [†] what goodness the LORD shall do unto us, the same will we do unto thee.

33 ¶ And they departed from [m] the mount of the LORD three days' journey: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD [n] went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.

34 And [o] the cloud of the LORD *was* upon them by day, when they went out of the camp.

35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, / Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate thee flee before thee.

36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the [§] many thousands of Israel.

CHAP. XI.

AND [t] *when* the people [*] complained, [u] it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard *it*; [v] and his anger was kindled; and the [l] fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed *them that were* in the uttermost parts of the camp.

2 And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses [w] prayed unto the LORD, the fire [†] was quenched.

3 And he called the name of the place [§] Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among them.

4 ¶ And the [‡] mixt multitude that *was* among them [‖] fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also [*] wept again, and said, [y] Who shall give us flesh to eat?

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[a] Ex. 16. 3, &c.
[b] ch. 4. 4. 15. 7. 9.
[*] i.e. *the Gershonites and the Merarites.* ver. 17. ch. 1. 51.
[c] ch. 21. 5.
[d] ch. 2. 18, 24.
[†] *eye of it as the eye of.*
[e] Ge. 2. 12.
[/] ch. 2. 25, 31. Jos. 6. 9.
[g] De. 1. 12.
[‡] *Thus.*
[h] ch. 2. 34.
[i] Ju. 40. 11.
[k] Ex. 2. 18.
[l] Is. 63. 13. 1 Th. 2. 7.
[m] Ge. 50. 24.
[n] Ge. 12. 7.
[o] 2 Ki. 4. 43, 44 Mat. 15. 32.
[p] Ju. 1. 16. 4. 11.
[r] Ge. 32. 12. Ex. 3. 8. 6. 7, 8.
[s] Ex. 18. 18.
[t] 1 Ki. 19. 4. Jon. 4. 3.
[u] Zep. 3. 15.
[v] Job 29. 15.
[w] Ex. 24. 1, 9.
[x] Ju. 1. 16.
[y] Ex. 3. 1.
[z] Ge. 11. 5. Ex. 19. 20.
[a] De. 1. 33. Jos. 3. 3, 4, 6. Ps. 138. 8. Je. 31. 2.
[b] Ex. 20. 6.
[c] 1 Sa. 10. 6. 2 Ki. 2. 15. Is. 44. 3. Joel 2. 28.
[d] Ex. 13. 21. Ne. 9. 12, 19.
[e] Ex. 19. 10.
[f] Ps. 68. 1, 2. 132. 8.
[g] Ex. 16. 7.
[h] Ac. 7. 39.
[§] *ten thousand thousands.*
[i] De. 9. 22.
[‖] or, *were as it were complainers.*
[*] *it was evil in the ears of, &c.*
[†] *month of days.*
[k] Ps. 78. 21.
[l] Le. 10. 2. 2 Ki. 1. 12. Ps. 106. 18.
[m] Ja. 5. 16.
[‡] *rank.*
[§] i. e. a *burning.*
[n] 2 Ki. 7. 2. Jno. 6. 7, 9.
[o] Ex. 12. 38.
[‖] *lusted a lust.*
[*] *returned and wept.*
[p] Ps. 106. 14. 1 Co. 10. 6.

5 We [q] remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick:

6 But now [r] our soul is dried away: *there is* nothing at all, beside this manna, *before* our eyes.

7 And the manna *was* as coriander seed, and the [†] colour thereof as the colour of [s] bdellium.

8 *And* the people went about, and gathered *it*, and ground *it* in mills, or beat *it* in a mortar, and baked *it* in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.

9 And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it.

10 ¶ Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.

11 And [t] Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me?

12 Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, [u] Carry them in thy bosom, as a [v] nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou [w] swarest unto their fathers?

13 Whence [*] should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat.

14 I [x] am not able to bear all this people alone, because *it is* too heavy for me.

15 And if thou deal thus with me, [y] kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not [*] see my wretchedness.

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me [z] seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.

17 And I will [a] come down and talk with thee there: and [b] I will take of the spirit which *is* upon thee, and will put *it* upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear *it* not thyself alone.

18 And say thou unto the people, [c] Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept [d] in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? [e] for *it was* well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.

19 Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days;

20 *But* even a [†] whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD which *is* among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?

21 And Moses said, The people, among whom I *am*, *are* six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.

22 Shall [*] the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

23 And the LORD said unto Moses,

[q] Ex. 16. 3.
[r] ch. 21. 5.
[s] Ge. 2. 12.
[t] ch. 21. 34.
[u] Is. 40. 11.
[v] Ex. 2. 18.
[w] Is. 63. 13.
[x] 1 Th. 2. 7.
[y] Ge. 50. 24.
[z] Ge. 12. 7.
[a] 2 Ki. 4. 43, 44 Mat. 15. 32.
[b] Ju. 1. 16. 4. 11.
[c] Ge. 32. 12. Ex. 3. 8. 6. 7, 8.
[d] Ex. 18. 18.
[e] 1 Ki. 19. 4. Jon. 4. 3.
[f] Zep. 3. 15.
[g] Job 29. 15.
[h] Ex. 24. 1, 9.
[i] Ju. 1. 16.
[k] Ex. 3. 1.
[l] Ge. 11. 5. Ex. 19. 20.
[m] De. 1. 33. Jos. 3. 3, 4, 6. Ps. 138. 8. Je. 31. 2.
[n] Ex. 13. 21. Ne. 9. 12, 19.
[o] Ex. 19. 10.
[p] Ps. 68. 1, 2. 132. 8.
[q] Ex. 16. 7.
[r] Ac. 7. 39.
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[a] *rank.*
[b] i. e. a *burning.*
[c] 2 Ki. 7. 2. Jno. 6. 7, 9.
[d] Ex. 12. 38.
[e] *lusted a lust.*
[f] *returned and wept.*
[g] Ps. 106. 14. 1 Co. 10. 6.

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[a] Is the LORD's hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether [b] my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.

24 ¶ And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle.

25 And the LORD [c] came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that *was* upon him, and gave *it* unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, *that*, [m] when the spirit rested upon them, [n] they prophesied, and did not cease.

26 But there remained two *of the* men in the camp, the name of the one *was* Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they *were* of them that were written, but [r] went not out unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.

27 And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp.

28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, *one* of his young men, answered and said, My lord Moses, [o] forbid them.

29 And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? [p] would God that all the LORD's people were prophets, *and* that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!

30 And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

31 ¶ And there went forth a [q] wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the *sea*, and *let them* fall by the camp, as it were [s] a day's journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits *high* upon the face of the earth.

32 And the people stood up all that day, and all *that* night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread *them* all abroad for themselves round about the camp.

33 And while the flesh *was* yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

34 And he called the name of that place † Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the people that lusted.

35 *And* [d] the people journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah unto Hazeroth; and [t] abode at Hazeroth.

CHAP. XII.

AND Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the § Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for [A] he had ‖ married an Ethiopian woman.

2 And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? [i] hath he not spoken also by us? And the LORD [k] heard *it*.

3 (Now the man Moses *was* very meek, above all the men which *were* upon the face of the earth.)

4 And [l] the LORD spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out.

5 And [m] the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood *in* the door *of* the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth.

6 And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, *I* the LORD will make myself known unto him [n] in a vision, *and* will speak unto him [o] in a dream.

7 My [p] servant Moses *is* not so, *who is* faithful in all mine house.

8 With him will I speak [q] mouth to mouth, even [s] apparently, and not in dark speeches; and [t] the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then [u] were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?

9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he departed.

10 And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, [v] behold, Miriam *became* [x] leprous, *white* as snow: and Aaron looked unto Miriam, and, behold, *she was* leprous.

11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, [y] lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned.

12 Let her not be [z] as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb.

13 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [a] If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be [b] shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let her be received in *again*.

15 And [c] Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in *again*.

16 And afterward the people removed from [d] Hazeroth, and pitched in the wilderness of Paran.

CHAP. XIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Send [e] thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them.

3 And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran: all those men *were* heads of the children of Israel.

4 And these *were* their names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur.

5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori.

6 Of [f] the tribe of Judah, *f* Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.

8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, [g] Oshea the son of Nun.

9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.

10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.

11 Of the tribe of Joseph, *namely*, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi.

12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.

13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.

14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.

15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.

16 These *are* the names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called [m] Oshea the son of Nun Jehoshua.

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[a] Is. 50. 2. 59. 1.
[b] Esa. 12. 25. 24. 14.
[c] Ge. 15. 1. 46. 2. Job 33. 15. Exo. 1. 1. Da. 9. 2. Lu. 1.11,22. Ac.10.11,17 22.17,18
[d] Ge. 31.10,11 1 Ki. 3. 5. Mat. 1. 20.
[e] Ps. 105. 26.
[f] Ho. 3. 2, 5.
[g] Ex. 33. 11. De. 34. 10.
[h] 1 Co. 13. 12.
[i] Ex. 33. 19.
[k] ch. 12. 5.
[l] 2 Pe. 2. 10. Jude 8.
[m] 2 Ki. 2. 15.
[n] 1 Sa.10.5,6, 10. Joel 2. 28. Ac. 2.17,18. 1 Co. 14. 1, &c.
[o] De. 24. 9.
[p] 2 Ki. 5. 27. 15. 5. 2 Ch. 26.19, 20.
[q] 1 Sa. 20.36. Jo. 36. 5.
[r] 2 Sa. 19. 19. 24. 10. Pr. 30. 32.
[s] Ps. 68. 4.
[t] Mar. 9. 38. Luc. 3. 25.
[u] 1 Co. 14. 5.
[x] He. 12. 9.
[y] ch. 5. 2, 3. Le. 13. 46. Ex. 16. 4. Ps.78.26. 28 105. 40.
[z] De. 24. 9. 2 Ch. 26. 20, 21.

* *the way of a day.*

[a] ch. 33. 18.
[b] ch. 32. 8. De. 1. 22.

† i. e. *The graves of lust.* De. 9. 22.

[d] ch. 33. 17.
[e] ch. 34. 19. 1 Ch. 4. 15.
[f] ver. 30. ch. 14. 6,30. Jos. 14. 6, 7, 13,14. Ju. 1. 12.

‡ *they were in, &c.*

§ or, *Cushite.*

[g] ver. 16.
[h] Ex. 2. 21.

‖ *taken.*

[i] Ex. 15. 20. Mi. 6. 4.
[k] Ge. 20. 33. 2 Ki. 19. 4. Is. 37. 4. Eze.35. 12,13
[l] Ps. 76. 9.
[m] ch. 16. 19.
[n] Ex. 17. 6.

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17 ¶ And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, Get you up this *way* southward, and go up into [b] the mountain:

18 And see the land, what it *is;* and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they *be* strong or weak, few or many;

19 And what the land *is* that they dwell in, whether it *be* good or bad; and what cities *they be* that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong holds;

20 And what the land *is*, whether it *be* [c] fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And [d] be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time *was* the time of the firstripe grapes.

21 ¶ So they went up, and searched the land [h] from the wilderness of Zin unto [i] Rehob, as men come to Hamath.

22 And they ascended by the south, and came unto Hebron; where [k] Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak, *were*. (Now [m] Hebron was built seven years before [n] Zoan in Egypt.)

23 And [o] they came unto the [p] brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and *they brought* of the pomegranates, and of the figs.

24 The place was called the ‡ brook § Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

25 And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.

26 ¶ And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.

27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with [r] milk and honey; [s] and this *is* the fruit of it.

28 Nevertheless [t] the people *be* strong that dwell in the land, and the cities *are* walled, *and* very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there.

29 The [u] Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.

30 And [h] Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

31 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they *are* stronger than we.

32 And they [w] brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, *is* a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and [x] all the people that we saw in it *are* ‖ men of a great stature.

33 And there we saw the giants, [y] the sons of Anak, *which come* of the giants: and we were in our own sight [z] as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

CHAP. XIV.

AND all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

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[a] Ps. 106. 25.
[b] Ge. 14. 10. Ju. 1. 9, 19. Jer. 48. 28.
[c] Ne. 9. 25.
[d] Ne. 9. 25, 35. Eze. 34. 14.
[f] Ac. 7. 39.
[g] De. 31. 6, 7, 23.
[h] ch. 34. 3. Jos. 15. 1.
[i] Jos. 19. 28.
[k] Jos. 11. 21, 22. Ju. 1. 10.
[l] ch. 13. 27.
[m] Jos. 21. 11.
[n] Ps. 78. 12. Is. 19. 11. 30. 4.
[o] De. 1. 24, 25.
[p] or, *valley.* ch. 32. 9. Ju. 16. 4.
[r] 2Sa. 15. 25, 26 22. 20.
[s] 1 Ki. 10. 9. Ps. 22. 8. 147. 10, 11. Is. 62. 4.
[t] ch. 13. 27.
[u] De. 9. 7, 23, 24
[w] De. 20. 3.
[x] ch. 24. 8.
† *shadow.* Ps. 121. 5. Is. 30. 2, 3. Je. 48. 45.
‡ or, *valley.*
§ 2 Ch. 15. 2. 32. 8. Ps. 46. 7, 11. Is. 41. 10. Am. 5. 14. Zec. 8. 23.
‖ i. e. *a cluster of grapes.*
[a] Ex. 17. 4.
[y] Ex. 16. 10. Le. 9. 23.
[z] He. 3. 8, 16.
[a] Ps. 78. 22, 32. Jno. 12. 37.
[b] Ex. 32. 10.
[c] Ex. 3. 8. 33. 3.
[d] Exe. 20. 9, 14
[e] De. 1. 25.
[f] De. 9. 1, 2.
[g] Ex. 15. 14.
[h] Ju. 6. 3. 1 Sa. 14. 48. 15. 3, &c.
[i] Ne. 9. 12.
[k] Ps. 105. 39.
[l] ch. 14. 6, 24. Jos. 14. 7. Ps. 27. 1, 2. 60. 12. 118. 10, 11. Is. 41. 10. 16. Ro. 31. 37. Phi. 4. 13.
[m] Jos. 7. 9.
[n] Mat. 23. 13.
[o] Ps. 103. 8. 145. 8. Joe. 4. 2.
[p] Am. 3. 2, 9.
‖ *men of statures.*
[q] De. 1. 28. 1 Sa. 17. 4...7
[r] Ex. 34. 7.
[s] Is. 40. 22.
[t] Ps. 106. 45.
[u] or, *hitherto.*
[w] Ja. 5. 16. 1 Jno 5. 14, 16.

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2 And [a] all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or [b] would God we had died in this wilderness!

3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

4 And they said one to another, [d] Let us make a captain, and [f] let us return into Egypt.

5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.

6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of them that searched the land, rent their clothes:

7 And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, [i] The land, which we passed through to search it, *is* an exceeding good land.

8 If the LORD [k] delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; [l] a land which floweth with milk and honey.

9 Only [n] rebel not ye against the LORD, [o] neither fear ye the people of the land; for [p] they *are* bread for us: their † defence is departed from them, [q] and the LORD *is* with us: fear them not.

10 But [r] all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And [s] the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.

11 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people [t] provoke me? and how long will it be ere they [u] believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?

12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and [b] will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they.

13 ¶ And [d] Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear *it*, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)

14 And they will tell *it* to the inhabitants of this land: [f] *for* they have heard that thou LORD *art* among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and *that* [i] thy cloud standeth over them, and *that* thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

15 ¶ Now [j] if thou shalt kill *all* this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying,

16 Because the LORD was not [l] able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

17 And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying,

18 The LORD *is* [n] longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing *the guilty*, [r] visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation*.

19 Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people [t] according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even [u] until now.

20 And the LORD said, I have pardoned [w] according to thy word:

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21 But *as* truly *as* I live, [a] all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.
22 Because [b] all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, have tempted me now [c] these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;
23 [d] Surely they *shall* not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:
24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and [e] hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.
25 (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) To morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.
26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
27 How [f] long *shall I bear with* this evil congregation, which murmur against me? [g] I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me.
28 Say unto them, [h] *As truly as* I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you:
29 Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and [i] all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against me,
30 Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, *concerning* which I [k] sware to make you dwell therein, [l] save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.
31 But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which [m] ye have despised.
32 But *as for* you, [n] your carcases, they shall fall in this wilderness.
33 And your children shall [o] wander [p] in the wilderness [q] forty years, and [r] bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness.
34 After [s] the number of the days in which ye searched the land, *even* [t] forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, *even* forty years, [u] and ye shall know my [v] breach of promise.
35 I [w] the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.
36 And [x] the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,
37 Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, [y] died by the plague before the LORD.
38 But [z] Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of the men that went to search the land, lived *still*.
39 And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel: [a] and the people mourned greatly.
40 ¶ And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, [b] we *be here*, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned.
41 And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress [c] the commandment of the LORD? [d] but it shall not prosper.

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[a] Ps. 72. 19.
[b] De. 1. 42.
Ps. 44. 1...3.
[c] Ps. 95. 11.
[d] Ge. 21. 7.
[e] Ju. 16. 20.
1 Ch. 28. 9.
2 Ch. 15. 2.
Is. 63. 10.
Ho. 9. 12.
[f] *If they see the land.*
[g] Exo. 20. 15.
[h] De. 1. 43, 44.
[i] ch. 32. 12.
[k] ch. 21. 3.
Ju. 1. 17.
[l] Le. 23. 10.
De. 7. 1.
[m] Mat. 17. 7.
[n] Ex. 16. 12.
[o] Nu. 1. 2. 3.
[p] Le. 7. 16.
23. 18, 21.
[q] *separating*
Le. 27. 2.
[r] He. 3. 17.
ch. 26. 19, 27.
29. 2, 8, 13.
Le. 23. 8, 12, 36.
De. 16. 8.
[s] Ge. 8. 21.
Ex. 29. 18.
[t] Le. 2. 1.
6. 14.
[u] ch. 26. 64.
[v] Ex. 29. 40.
[w] Le. 23. 13.
[x] Le. 14. 10.
[y] ch. 26. 7.
[z] *lifted up my hand.*
Ge. 14. 22.
[a] De. 1. 36, 38.
[b] ch. 26. 13, 14.
[c] Ps. 106. 24.
[d] 1 Co. 10. 5.
[e] or, *feed.*
[f] Ps. 107. 40.
[g] De. 2. 14.
[h] Exo. 23. 26.
[i] Le. 7. 11.
[k] ch. 13. 25.
[l] Ps. 95. 10.
Exe. 4. 6.
[m] 1 Ki. 8. 56.
Ps. 77. 8.
He. 4. 1.
[n] or, *altering of my purpose.*
[o] ch. 23. 19.
[p] ch. 13. 31, 32.
[q] Jo. 28. 16, 17.
29. 32.
1 Co. 10. 10.
He. 3. 17.
Jude 5.
[r] Jos. 14. 6, 10.
[s] ch. 9. 14.
Ex. 12. 49.
[t] Ex. 33. 4.
Pr. 19. 3.
Is. 26. 16.
Mat. 8. 12.
13. 42, 50.
He. 12. 17.
[u] De. 1. 41.
Ec. 9. 3.
Mat. 7. 21.
25.
25. 11, 12.
Lu. 13. 25.
[v] ver. 25.
2 Ch. 24. 20.
[w] Job 4. 9.
Je. 2. 37.
32. 5.

42 Go [b] not up, for the LORD *is* not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies.
43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites *are* there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: [c] because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you.
44 But [d] they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.
45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, *even* unto [e] Hormah.

CHAP. XV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak [f] unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you,
3 And [g] will make an offering by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice [h] in [i] performing a vow, or in a freewill offering, or [k] in your solemn feasts, to make a [l] sweet savour unto the LORD, of the herd, or of the flock:
4 Then [m] shall he that offereth his offering unto the LORD bring [n] a meat offering of a tenth deal of flour mingled with [o] the fourth *part* of an hin of oil.
5 And [p] the fourth *part* of an hin of wine for a drink offering shalt thou prepare with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.
6 Or [q] for a ram, thou shalt prepare *for* a meat offering two tenth deals of flour mingled with the third *part* of an hin of oil.
7 And for a drink offering thou shalt offer the third *part* of an hin of wine, *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD.
8 And when thou preparest a bullock *for* a burnt offering, or *for* a sacrifice in performing a vow, or [r] peace offerings unto the LORD:
9 Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three tenth deals of flour mingled with half an hin of oil.
10 And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an hin of wine, *for* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
11 Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a lamb, or a kid.
12 According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according to their number.
13 All that are born of the country shall do these things after this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever *be* among you in your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; as ye do, so he shall do.
15 One [s] ordinance *shall be both* for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth *with you*, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye *are*, so shall the stranger be before the LORD.
16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.
17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
18 Speak unto the children of Israel,

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and say unto them, When ye come into the land whither I bring you,

19 Then it shall be, that, when ye eat of [b] the bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto the LORD.

20 Ye [c] shall offer up a cake of the first of your dough *for* an heave offering: as *ye do* [d] the heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall ye heave it.

21 Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto the LORD an heave offering in your generations.

22 ¶ And [e] if ye have erred, and not observed all these commandments, which the LORD hath spoken unto Moses,

23 *Even* all that the LORD hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that the LORD commanded *Moses*, and henceforward among your generations;

24 Then it shall be, [f] if *ought* be committed by ignorance [g] without the knowledge of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bullock for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour unto the LORD, [h] with his meat offering, and his drink offering, according to the † manner, and [m] one kid of the goats for a sin offering.

25 And [n] the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it *is* ignorance: and they shall bring their offering, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their ignorance:

26 And it shall be forgiven all the congregation of the children of Israel, and the stranger that sojourneth among them; seeing all the people *were* in ignorance.

27 ¶ And [o] if any soul sin through ignorance, then he shall bring a she goat of the first year for a sin offering.

28 And [p] the priest shall make an atonement for the soul that sinneth ignorantly, when he sinneth by ignorance before the LORD, to make an atonement for him; and it shall be forgiven him.

29 Ye [q] shall have one law for him that ‡ sinneth through ignorance, *both for* him that is born among the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.

30 ¶ But [r] the soul that doeth *ought* ‖ presumptuously, *whether he be* born in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

31 Because he hath [s] despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; [t] his iniquity *shall be* upon him.

32 ¶ And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, [u] they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.

33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation.

34 And they put him [v] in ward, because it was not declared what should be done to him.

35 And the LORD said unto Moses, [w] The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall [x] stone him with stones without the camp.

36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.

37 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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[a] De. 22. 12. Mat. 23. 5.
[b] Jos. 5. 11, 12.
[c] De. 26. 2, 10. Pr. 3. 9, 10.
[d] Le. 2. 14. 23. 14, 16.
[e] De. 29. 19. Job 31. 7 Je. 9. 14. Eze. 6. 9.
[f] Ps. 73 27. 103. 39. Ja. 4. 4.
[g] Le. 4. 2.
[h] Le. 11. 44, 45. Ro. 12. 1. Col. 1. 22. 1 Pe. 1. 15, 16
[i] Le. 4. 13.
[k] ch. 28. 9. 27. 3. Jude 11.
[l] *from the eyes.*
[m] ver. 8, 10. ch. 28. 9.
† or, *ordinance.*
[n] ch. 28. 15. Le. 4. 23. Ezr. 6. 17. 8. 35.
[o] Ps. 105. 16.
[p] Le. 4. 20.
‡ It is *much for you.*
[q] Ex. 19. 6.
[r] ch. 14. 14. Ex. 39. 43.
[s] ch. 14. 5. 20. 6.
[t] Le. 4. 27, 28.
[u] Le. 21. 6–12, 15.
[v] Ex. 28. 1. 1 Ki. 2. 28. Ps. 105. 26.
[w] Le. 4. 35.
[x] Le. 10. 3. Eze. 40. 46. 44. 15, 16.
[y] ver. 15.
§ *doth.*
[a] De. 17. 12. Ps. 19. 13. He. 10. 26. 1 Pe. 2. 10.
[b] De. 17. 12. Pr. 19. 13. He. 10. 26. 1 Pe. 2. 10.
[c] 1 Sa. 18. 23. Is. 7. 13.
‖ *with an high hand.*
[d] ch. 3. 41, 45. De. 10. 8.
[e] 2 Sa. 12. 9. Pr. 13. 13.
[f] Le. 5. 1. Eze. 18. 20.
[g] Ex. 31. 14, 15 35. 2, 3.
[h] Ex. 16. 8. 1 Co. 3. 5.
[i] Le. 24. 12.
[k] Ex. 31. 14, 15
[l] Ex. 9. 14. Ac. 7. 37, 38.
[m] 1 Ki. 21. 13. Ac. 7. 58.
[n] Ex. 3. 8. Le. 20. 24.
[o] *here out.*
[p] Ge. 4. 4, 5.

38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid [a] them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:

39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye [b] seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use [c] to go a whoring:

40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be [d] holy unto your God.

41 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am* the LORD your God.

CHAP. XVI.

NOW [e] Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took *men:*

2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, [m] famous in the congregation, men of renown:

3 And [n] they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, ¶ *Ye take* too much upon you, seeing [o] all the congregation *are* holy, every one of them, [p] and the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?

4 And when Moses heard *it*, [q] he fell upon his face:

5 And he spake unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, Even to morrow the LORD will shew who *are* his, and *who is* [r] holy; and will cause *him* to come near unto him: even *him* whom he hath [s] chosen will he cause to [t] come near unto him.

6 This do; Take you censers, Korah, and all his company;

7 And put fire therein, and put incense in them before the LORD to morrow: and it shall be *that* the man whom the LORD doth choose, he *shall be* holy: *ye take* too much upon you, ye sons of Levi.

8 And Moses said unto Korah, Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi:

9 *Seemeth it but* [u] a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath [d] separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself to do the service of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them?

10 And he hath brought thee near *to him*, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee: and seek ye the priesthood also?

11 For which cause *both* thou and all thy company *are* gathered together against the LORD: [k] and what *is* Aaron, that ye murmur against him?

12 ¶ And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab: which said, We will not come up:

13 *Is it* a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land that floweth with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, except thou [l] make thyself altogether a prince over us?

14 Moreover thou hast not brought us into [n] a land that floweth with milk and honey, or given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt thou [o] put out the eyes of these men? we will not come up.

15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD, [p] Respect not thou their

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offering: [a] I have not taken one ass from them, neither have I hurt one of them.

16 And Moses said unto Korah, Be thou and all thy company [b] before the LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron, to morrow:

17 And take every man his censer, and put incense in them, and bring ye before the LORD every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each *of you* his censer.

18 And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood in the door of the tabernacle of the congregation with Moses and Aaron.

19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and [c] the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the congregation.

20 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

21 Separate [d] yourselves from among this congregation, that I may [e] consume them in a moment.

22 And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, [f] the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation?

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

24 Speak unto the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.

25 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him.

26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, [g] Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of their's, lest ye be consumed in all their sins.

27 So they gat up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and [h] stood in the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little children.

28 And Moses said, [i] Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these *works*; *for I have* not *done them* [k] of mine own mind.

29 If these men die [l] the common death of all men, or if they be [m] visited after the visitation of all men; *then* the LORD hath not sent me.

30 But if the LORD [n] make [o] a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that *appertain* unto them, and they [p] go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD.

31 ¶ And [q] it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that *was* under them:

32 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and [r] all the men that *appertained* unto Korah, and all *their* goods.

33 They, and all that *appertained* to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.

34 And all Israel that *were* round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up *also*.

35 And there [s] came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

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[a] 1 Sa. 12. 3. Ac. 20. 33. 2 Co. 7. 2.
[b] 1 Sa. 12. 3, 7.
[c] Pr. 20. 2. Hab. 2. 10.
[d] ch. 26. 10. Eze. 14. 8. 1 Co. 10. 11. 2 Pe. 2. 6.
[e] Ex. 16. 7, 10. Le. 9. 6, 23.
[f] ch. 3. 10. 2 Ch. 26. 18.
[g] Ge. 19. 17, 22 Je. 51. 6. Ac. 2. 40. Re. 18. 4.
[h] ch. 14. 2. Ps. 106. 25. Mat. 5. 11. Ac. 21. 28. 2 Co. 6. 8.
[i] Ex. 32. 10. 33. 5.
[k] Job 12. 10. Ec. 12. 7. Is. 57. 16. Zec. 12. 1. He. 12. 9.
[l] Ex. 40. 34.
[m] ch. 20. 6.
[n] ver. 21, 24.
[o] Ge. 19. 12, 14. Is. 52. 11. 2 Co. 6. 17. Re. 18. 4.
[p] 1 Ch. 21. 16.
[q] ch. 8. 19. 11. 33. Le. 10. 6. 1 Ch. 27. 24. Ps. 106. 29.
[r] Pr. 16. 18. 18. 12.
[s] Ex. 3. 12. De. 18. 22. Zec. 2. 9, 10. 4. 9. Jno. 5. 36.
[t] 1 Th. 1. 10. 1 Ti. 2. 5, 6. He. 7. 24, 25.
[u] ch. 24. 13. Je. 23. 16. Eze. 13. 17. Jno. 5. 30. 6. 38.
[o] *as every man dieth.*
[x] Ex. 20. 5. 32. 34. Job 35. 15. Is. 10. 3. Je. 5. 9.
[y] *create a creature,* Is. 45. 7.
[z] Job 31. 3. Is. 26. 21.
[a] Ps. 55. 15.
[b] ch. 26. 10. 27. 3. De. 11. 6. Ps. 106. 17.
[c] ch. 26. 11. 1 Ch. 2. 22, 27.
[d] Ex. 25. 22. 30. 36.
[d] ch. 16. 5.
[e] ch. 11. 1. 1 a. 10. 2. Ps. 106. 18.
[f] ch. 16. 11.

36 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

37 Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder; for they are hallowed.

38 The censers of these [x] sinners against their own souls, let them make them broad plates *for* a covering of the altar: for they offered them before the LORD, therefore they are hallowed: [y] and they shall be a sign unto the children of Israel.

39 And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, wherewith they that were burnt had offered; and they were made broad *plates for* a covering of the altar:

40 *To be* a memorial unto the children of Israel, *that* no stranger, which [z] is not of the seed of Aaron, come near to offer incense before the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his company: as the LORD said to him by the hand of Moses.

41 ¶ But on the morrow [a] all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD.

42 And it came to pass, when the congregation was gathered against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tabernacle of the congregation: and, behold, [b] the cloud covered it, and [c] the glory of the LORD appeared.

43 And Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of the congregation.

44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

45 Get [d] you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment. And [e] they fell upon their faces.

46 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an atonement for them: [f] for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun.

47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people.

48 And he [g] stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.

49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the plague was stayed.

CHAP. XVII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to the house of *their* fathers, of all their princes according to the house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod.

3 And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod *shall be* for the head of the house of their fathers.

4 And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony, [a] where I will meet with you.

5 And it shall come to pass, *that* the man's rod, [d] whom I shall choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, [f] whereby they murmur against you.

6 ¶ And Moses spake unto the children

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of Israel, and every one of their princes gave him [a] a rod apiece, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, *even* twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron *was* among their rods.

7 And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in [b] the tabernacle of witness.

8 And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of witness; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds.

9 And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod.

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Bring [d] Aaron's rod again before the testimony, to be kept [e] for a token against the [‡] rebels; and thou shalt quite take away their murmurings from me, that they die not.

11 And Moses did *so*: as the LORD commanded him, so did he.

12 And the children of Israel spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, we die, we perish, we all perish.

13 Whosoever [m] cometh any thing near unto the tabernacle of the LORD shall die: shall we be consumed with dying?

CHAP. XVIII.

AND the LORD said unto Aaron, [n] Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee shall [r] bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.

2 And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee, that they may be [s] joined unto thee, and [t] minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee *shall minister* before the tabernacle of witness.

3 And they shall keep thy charge, and [v] the charge of all the tabernacle: [x] only they shall not come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary and the altar, [b] that neither they, nor ye also, die.

4 And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle: and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you.

5 And ye shall keep [d] the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar: that there be no wrath any more upon the children of Israel.

6 And I, behold, I have [f] taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: [h] to you *they are* given *as* a gift for the LORD, to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

7 Therefore [i] thou and thy sons with thee shall keep your priest's office for every thing of the altar, and [n] within the vail; and ye shall serve: I have given your priest's office *unto you as* a service of gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Behold, [p] I also have given thee the charge of mine heave offerings of all the hallowed things of the children of Israel; unto thee have I given them [r] by reason of the anointing, and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.

9 This shall be thine of the most holy things, *reserved* from the fire: every oblation of their's, every [t] meat offering of their's, and every [u] sin offering of their's,

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[a] Le. 5. 1.
[a] *a rod for one prince, a rod for one prince.*
[b] Ac. 7. 44.
[c] Ex. 29. 27, 28. Le. 7. 30, 34.
[d] Le. 10. 14. De. 18. 3.
[e] Le. 21. 2, 3, 11, 13.
[f] Ex. 23. 19. De. 18. 4. Ne 10. 35, 36.
[†] *fat.* ver. 29.
[g] He. 9. 4.
[h] ch. 16. 38.
[‡] *children of rebellion.*
[i] Le. 27. 28.
[k] ch. 3. 13. Ex. 13. 2. 22. 29.
[l] Ex. 13. 13. 34. 20.
[m] ch. 1. 51, 53. 18. 4, 7.
[n] ch. 3. 47. Le. 27. 2, 6.
[o] ch. 17. 13.
[p] Ex. 30. 13. Le. 27. 25. Eze. 45. 12.
[r] Ex. 28. 38.
[s] De. 13. 19.
[t] Le. 3. 2, 8.
[u] Ge 29. 34.
[v] ch. 3. 6, 10.
[x] Le. 7. 31, 32, 34.
[y] ch. 3. 25, 31, 36.
[z] ch. 16. 40.
[a] ver. 11.
[b] ch. 4. 15.
[c] Le. 2. 13. 2 Ch. 13. 5.
[d] ch. 8. 2. Ex. 27. 21. 30. 7. Le. 24. 3.
[e] De. 10. 9. 14. 27, 29. 18. 1, 2. Jos. 13. 14, 33. 18. 7. Ps. 16. 5. Eze. 44. 28.
[f] Ne. 12. 47.
[g] ch. 3. 12, 45. He. 7. 5, 8, 9.
[h] ch. 3. 12, 45.
[i] ch. 3. 9. 8. 19.
[k] ch. 3. 7, 8.
[l] ch. 3. 10.
[m] Le. 22. 9.
[n] He. 9. 3, 6.
[§] *to die.*
[o] ch. 3. 7.
[p] Le. 6. 16, 18, 26. 7. 6, 32.
[r] Ex. 29. 29. 40. 13, 15.
[s] De. 10. 9. 14. 27, 29. 18. 1.
[t] Le. 2. 2, 3. 10. 12, 13.
[u] Le. 4. 27, 27. 6. 25, 26.

and every [a] trespass offering of their's, which they shall render unto me, *shall be* most holy for thee and for thy sons.

10 In the most holy *place* shalt thou eat it; every male shall eat it: it shall be holy unto thee.

11 And this *is* thine; [c] the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the children of Israel: I have given them unto [d] thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: [e] every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.

12 All [f] the [†] best of the oil, and all the best of the wine, and of the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the LORD, them have I given thee.

13 *And* whatsoever is first ripe in the land, which they shall bring unto the LORD, shall be thine; every one that is clean in thine house shall eat of it.

14 Every [i] thing devoted in Israel shall be thine.

15 Every thing that openeth [k] the matrix in all flesh, which they bring unto the LORD, *whether it be* of men or beasts, shall be thine: nevertheless [l] the firstborn of man shalt thou surely redeem, and the firstling of unclean beasts shalt thou redeem.

16 And those that are to be redeemed from a month old shalt thou redeem, [m] according to thine estimation, for the money of five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, [n] which *is* twenty gerahs.

17 But [o] the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, thou shalt not redeem; they *are* holy: [p] thou shalt sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt burn their fat *for* an offering made by fire, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

18 And the flesh of them shall be thine, as the [q] wave breast and as the right shoulder are thine.

19 All [a] the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the LORD, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: [r] it *is* a covenant of salt for ever before the LORD unto thee and to thy seed with thee.

20 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them: [s] I *am* thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.

21 And, behold, [t] I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, even [v] the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

22 Neither [x] must the children of Israel henceforth come nigh the tabernacle of the congregation, [§] lest they bear sin, [§] and die.

23 But [a] the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they have no inheritance.

24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer *as* an heave offering unto the LORD, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, [c] Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.

25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

26 Thus speak unto the Levites, and say

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unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for the LORD, *even* [b] a tenth *part* of the tithe.

27 And *this* your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though *it were* the corn of the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of the winepress.

28 Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the LORD of all your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and ye shall give thereof the LORD'S heave offering to Aaron the priest.

29 Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the LORD, of all the [c] best thereof, *even* the hallowed part thereof out of it.

30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, When ye have heaved the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.

31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for it *is* [d] your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the congregation.

32 And ye shall [A] bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die.

CHAP. XIX.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 This *is* the ordinance of the law which the LORD hath commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein *is* no blemish, [k] *and* upon which never came yoke:

3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring her [l] forth without the camp, and *one* shall slay her before his face:

4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and [m] sprinkle of her blood directly before the tabernacle of the congregation seven times:

5 And *one* shall burn the heifer in his sight; [n] her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn:

6 And the priest shall take [o] cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast *it* into the midst of the burning of the heifer.

7 Then [p] the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even.

8 And he that burneth her shall wash his clothes in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the even.

9 And a man *that is* clean shall gather up [q] the ashes of the heifer, and lay *them* up without the camp in a clean place, and it shall be kept *for* the congregation of the children of Israel [b] for a water of separation: it *is* a purification for sin.

10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.

11 ¶ He [r] that toucheth the dead body of any [§] man shall be unclean seven days.

12 He [s] shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean.

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[a] Le. 15. 31.
[b] Nu. 18. 26.
[c] ch. 8. 7.
[d] Le. 7. 20. 22. 3.
[e] ch. 31. 20. Le. 11. 32.
[*] *fat.* ver. 12.
[†] *dust.*
[‡] *living waters shall be given.* Ge. 26. 19.
[f] Ps. 51. 7.
[g] Mat. 10. 10. Lu. 10. 7. 1 Co. 9. 13. 2 Co. 12. 13. Ga. 6. 6. 1 Ti 5. 18.
[A] Le. 19. 8. 22. 16.
[i] Le. 14. 9.
[k] De. 21. 3. 1 Sa. 6. 7. Jno. 10. 17, 18 Phi. 2. 6..8.
[l] Le. 4. 12, 21. 16. 27. He. 13. 11.
[m] Le. 4. 6. 16. 14, 19.
[n] Hag. 2. 13.
[o] Ex. 29. 14. Le. 4. 11, 12. Is. 53. 10.

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[p] ch. 33. 36.
[r] Le. 14. 4, 6, 49.
[q] ch. 26. 59. Ex 15. 20.
[t] Le. 11. 25. 15. 5.
[u] Ex. 17. 1.
[v] ch. 16. 19, 42.
[x] ch. 14. 2. Ex. 17. 2.
[y] ch. 11. 1, 33. 14. 37. 16. 32, 35 49.
[z] He. 9. 13.
[a] Ex. 17. 3.
[b] ch. 31. 23. 2 Co. 7. 1.
[c] ch. 5. 2. 9. 6. 10. 31. 19. Le. 21. 1. La. 4. 14. Hag. 2. 13. Nu. 5. 12. 2 Co. 6. 17. Ep. 2. 1.
[§] *soul of man*
[d] ch. 31. 19.
[e] ch. 14. 5. 16. 4, 22, 45.
[f] Ex. 17. 5.

13 Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself, [a] defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because [c] the water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness *is* yet upon him.

14 This *is* the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into the tent, and all that *is* in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.

15 And every [e] open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, *is* unclean.

16 And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the open fields, or a dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.

17 And for an unclean *person* they shall take of the [†] ashes of the burnt heifer of purification for sin, and [‡] running water shall be put thereto in a vessel:

18 And a clean person shall take [f] hyssop, and dip *it* in the water, and sprinkle *it* upon the tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave:

19 And the clean *person* shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day: [g] and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, and wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at even.

20 But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from among the congregation, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of the LORD: the water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him; he *is* unclean.

21 And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them, that he that sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that toucheth the water of separation shall be unclean until even.

22 And [h] whatsoever the unclean *person* toucheth shall be unclean; and the soul that toucheth *it* shall be unclean until even.

CHAP. XX.

THEN [p] came the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and [q] Miriam died there, and was buried there.

2 And [u] there was no water for the congregation: [v] and they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

3 And the people [x] chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died [y] when our brethren died before the LORD!

4 And [z] why have ye brought up the congregation of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?

5 And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? it *is* no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither *is* there any water to drink.

6 And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and [a] they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them.

7 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

8 Take [f] the rod, and gather thou the

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assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and [b] thou shalt bring forth *to them* water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.

9 And Moses took the rod [c] from before the LORD, as he commanded him.

10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, [d] Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?

11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and [e] the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts *also*.

12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because [f] ye believed me not, to [g] sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.

13 This [m] is the water of [n] Meribah; because the children of Israel strove with the LORD, and he was sanctified in them.

14 ¶ And [p] Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, [r] Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travel that hath § befallen us:

15 How [t] our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; [u] and the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers:

16 And [v] when we cried unto the LORD, he heard our voice, and [x] sent an angel, and hath brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we *are* in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border:

17 Let [d] us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink *of* the water of the wells: we will go by the king's *high* way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy borders.

18 And Edom said unto him, Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come out against thee with the sword.

19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go by the high way: and if I and my cattle drink of thy water, [f] then I will pay for it: I will only, without *doing* any thing *else*, go through on my feet.

20 And he said, [h] Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand.

21 Thus Edom [i] refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel [m] turned away from him.

22 ¶ And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, journeyed from [n] Kadesh, [p] and came unto mount Hor.

23 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the coast of the land of Edom, saying,

24 Aaron shall [k] be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my [t] word at the water of Meribah.

25 Take [l] Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto mount Hor:

26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered *unto his people*, and shall die there.

27 And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.

28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and [o] Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount.

29 And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they mourned for Aaron [d] thirty days, *even* all the house of Israel.

CHAP. XXI.

AND [e] when [f] king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south, heard tell that Israel came by the way of the spies; then he fought against Israel, and took *some* of them prisoners.

2 And [g] Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliver this people into my hand, then [h] I will utterly destroy their cities.

3 And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Israel, and delivered up the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their cities: and he called the name of the place † Hormah.

4 ¶ And [m] they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to [n] compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much ‡ discouraged because of the way.

5 And the people [p] spake against God, and against Moses, [r] Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for *there is* no bread, neither *is there any* water; and [t] our soul loatheth this light bread.

6 And [u] the LORD sent [x] fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

7 ¶ Therefore [y] the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; [z] pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

9 And [a] Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel set forward, and [b] pitched in Oboth.

11 And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched at [c] Ije-abarim, in the wilderness which *is* before Moab, toward the sunrising.

12 ¶ From [d] thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of Zared.

13 From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, which *is* in the wilderness that cometh out of the coasts of the Amorites: for [e] Arnon *is* the border of Moab, between Moab and the Amorites.

14 Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD, [f] What he did in the Red sea, and in the brooks of Arnon,

15 And at the stream of the brooks that goeth down to the dwelling of Ar, and [g] lieth upon the border of Moab.

16 And from thence *they went* [h] to Beer: that *is* the well whereof the LORD spake unto Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give them water.

17 ¶ Then [i] Israel sang this song, § Spring up, O well; [k] sing ye unto it:

18 The princes digged the well, the nobles of the people digged it, by the

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[a] De. 10. 6.
[b] Ne. 9. 15. Ps. 78. 15, 16 105. 41. 114. 8 Is. 43. 20. 48. 21.
[c] ch. 17. 10.
[d] De. 34. 6.
[e] ch. 33. 49. Ju. 1. 16.
[f] Ps. 106. 33.
[g] Ex. 17. 6. De. 8. 15. 1 Co. 10. 4.
[h] Ge. 26. 20. Ju. 11. 30.
[i] Le. 27. 28.
[k] ch. 27. 14. De. 3. 26.
[l] Le. 10. 3. Eze. 44. 41. 36. 23. 1 Pe. 3. 15.
[m] De. 33. 8. Ps. 95. 8.
[n] i. e. *strife.* Ex. 17. 7.
† i. e. *utter destruction*
[o] ch. 20. 22. 33. 41.
[p] Ju. 11. 18.
[r] Ju. 11. 16, 17. De. 2. 4, &c. 23. 7. Ob. 10, 12.
[t] *shortened.* Ex. 6. 9. or, *grieved.*
§ *found us.* Ex. 18. 8.
[u] Ex. 78. 19.
[x] Ge. 16. 7. Ac. 7. 15.
[y] Ex. 16. 3.
[z] Ex. 1. 11, &c. De. 26. 6.
[a] De. 27. 7.
[b] Ex. 2. 23. 3. 7.
[c] Ex. 14. 19.
[d] Am. 9. 3, 4. 1 Co. 10. 9.
[e] De. 8. 15.
[f] Ps. 78. 34. Is. 26. 16. Ho. 5. 15.
[g] ch. 21. 22.
[h] Ex. 8. 8, 28. 1 Sa. 12. 19. 1 Ki. 13. 6. Ac. 8. 24.
[i] 2 Ki. 18. 4. Jno. 3. 14, 15
[k] De. 2. 6, 28.
[l] Ju. 11. 17.
[m] ch. 33. 43, 44.
[n] or, *heaps of Abarim.*
[o] De. 2. 27, 29
[p] Ju. 11. 18.
[q] De. 2. 13.
[r] ch. 33. 37.
[s] ch. 21. 4.
[t] Ju. 11. 18.
[u] Ge. 25. 8. De. 32. 50.
[x] Ex. 15. 1. Ps. 105. 2. 106. 12.
§ *Ascend.*
[k] or, *answer.*

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direction of [*] the lawgiver, with their staves. And from the wilderness *they went* to Mattanah:

19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel: and from Nahaliel to Bamoth:

20 And from Bamoth *in* the valley, that *is* in the [*] country of Moab, to the top of [†] Pisgah, which looketh [‡] toward Jeshimon.

21 ¶ And [a] Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, saying,

22 Let [b] me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vineyards; we will not drink *of* the waters of the well: *but* we will go along by the king's *high* way, until we be past thy borders.

23 And [c] Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness: [d] and he came to Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

24 And [e] Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from Arnon unto Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon *was* strong.

25 And Israel took all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the [§] villages thereof.

26 For Heshbon *was* the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto Arnon.

27 Wherefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come into Heshbon, let the city of Sihon be built and prepared:

28 For there is [f] a fire gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed [g] Ar of Moab, *and* the lords of the high places of Arnon.

29 Woe to thee, Moab! thou art undone, O people of [‡] Chemosh: he hath given his sons that escaped, and his daughters, into captivity unto Sihon king of the Amorites.

30 We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even [h] unto Dibon, and we have laid them waste even unto Nophah, which *reacheth* unto [i] Medeba.

31 ¶ Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

32 And Moses sent to spy out [k] Jaazer, and they took the villages thereof, and drove out the Amorites that *were* there.

33 ¶ And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he, and all his people, to the battle [l] at Edrei.

34 And the LORD said unto Moses, [b] Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and [c] thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.

35 So [f] they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.

CHAP. XXII.

AND [b] the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plains of Moab on this side Jordan *by* Jericho.

2 ¶ And [c] Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.

3 And [k] Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they *were* many: and

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[a] Is. 33. 22.
[b] ch. 31. 8. Jos. 13. 21.
[*] *field.*
[†] or, *the hill.*
[c] ch. 23. 28.
[‡] or, *the wilderness.*
[d] De. 2. 3. Jos. 13. 22. 24. 9. Ne. 13. 1, 2. Mi. 6. 5. 2 Pe. 2. 15. Jude 11. Re. 2. 14.
[e] Ju. 11. 19.
[f] De. 2. 3. 4.
[g] ch. 20. 17.
[§] *eye.*
[h] ch. 23. 7.
[i] De. 29. 7.
[k] De. 2. 32, 33. Ju. 11. 20.
[l] De. 29. 7. Jos. 12. 1, 2. 24. 8. Ne. 9. 22. Ps. 135. 10, 11. 136. 19. Am. 2. 9.
[m] 1 Sa. 9. 7, 8.
[n] ver. 19.
[‖] *daughters.*
[o] Ge. 20. 3.
[*] *I shall prevail vs. fighting against him.*
[p] Je. 48. 45, 46.
[r] Is. 15. 1.
[s] ch. 23. 20. Ro. 11. 29.
[t] Ju. 11. 24. 1 Ki. 11. 7, 33. 2 Ki. 23. 13.
[u] Je. 48. 18, 22.
[v] Is. 15. 2.
[w] Je. 48. 32.
[†] *Be not thou letted from, &c.*
[x] Ps. 49. 17. Lu. 4. 5...7. Mat. 16. 26.
[a] Jos. 13. 12.
[a] ch. 24. 13.
[b] De. 3. 2.
[c] 1 Ki. 22. 14. 2 Ch. 18. 13.
[d] Ps. 135. 10, 11. 136. 20.
[e] ver. 8.
[f] De. 3. 3, 4, &c.
[g] ch. 23. 12, 26. 24. 13. Ps. 33. 10, 11. Is. 37. 29.
[h] ch. 33. 48.
[i] Ju. 11. 25.
[k] Ex. 15. 15.
[l] Ex. 4. 24. La. 2. 4.

Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel.

4 And Moab said unto [h] the elders of Midian, Now shall this company lick up all *that are* round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor *was* king of the Moabites at that time.

5 He [i] sent messengers therefore unto Balaam the son of Beor to [f] Pethor, which *is* by the river of the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the [§] face of the earth, and they abide over against me:

6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, [h] curse me this people; for they *are* too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail, *that* we may smite them, and *that* I may drive them out of the land: for I wot that he whom thou blessest *is* blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed.

7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with [m] the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak.

8 And he said unto them, [n] Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.

9 And [o] God came unto Balaam, and said, What men *are* these with thee?

10 And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me, *saying,*

11 Behold, *there is* a people come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them; peradventure [*] I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for [†] they *are* blessed.

13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, Get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you.

14 And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth to come with us.

15 ¶ And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honourable than they.

16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, [†] Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me:

17 For [x] I will promote thee unto very great honour, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people.

18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, [a] If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, [b] I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.

19 Now therefore, I pray you, [c] tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD will say unto me more.

20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men come to call thee, rise up, *and* go with them; but [d] yet the word which I shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do.

21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab.

22 ¶ And God's anger was kindled because he went: [e] and the angel of the LORD stood in the way for an adversary

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against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants *were* with him.

23 And [a] the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into the way.

24 But the angel of the LORD stood in a path of the vineyards, a wall *being* on this side, and a wall on that side.

25 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she thrust herself unto the wall, and [b] crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again.

26 And the angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place, [c] where *was* no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left.

27 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and [d] Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff.

28 And the LORD [e] opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?

29 And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, [m] for now would I kill thee.

30 And [n] the ass said unto Balaam, *Am* not I thine ass, † upon which thou hast ridden † ever since *I was* thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? And he said, Nay.

31 Then the LORD [r] opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he [s] bowed down his head, and ‖ fell flat on his face.

32 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? behold, I went out [t] to withstand thee, because *thy* way is [u] perverse before me:

33 And the ass saw me, and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive.

34 And Balaam said unto the angel of the LORD, [x] I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it † displease thee, I will get me back again.

35 And the angel of the LORD said unto Balaam, Go with the men: but only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak. So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

36 ¶ And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, [b] he went out to meet him unto a city of Moab, [c] which *is* in the border of Arnon, which is in the utmost coast.

37 And Balak said unto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send unto thee to call thee? wherefore camest thou not unto me? am I not able indeed to promote thee to honour?

38 And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am come unto thee: have I now any power at all to say any thing? [f] the word that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak.

39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came unto § Kirjath-huzoth.

40 And Balak offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that *were* with him.

41 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the [g] high places of Baal, that

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[a] 2 Ki. 6. 17. Da. 10. 7. Ac. 22. 9.
[b] ch. 24. 1.
[c] Is. 47. 12.
[e] *or, he went solitary.*
[d] ver. 16.
[e] Is. 35. 11. Ho. 2. 6.
[f] ch. 22. 35. De. 18. 18. Je. 1. 9.
[g] Pr. 14. 16. 27. 3, 4. Ja. 1. 19, 20.
[h] Mat. 19. 26. 1 Co. 1. 19. 2 Pe. 2. 16.
[i] Job 27. 1. 29. 1. Ps. 78. 2. Eze. 17. 2. Mi. 2. 4. Hab. 2. 6.
[k] ch. 22. 6, 11.
[l] 1 Sa. 17. 10.
[m] Pr. 12. 10. Ec. 9. 3. Je. 17. 9. Mat. 15. 19.
[n] 1 Co. 1. 27, 28
† *who hast ridden upon me.*
‡ *or, ever since thou wast, &c.*
[o] De. 33. 29.
[p] Ex. 33. 16. Ezr. 9. 2. Eph. 2. 14.
[r] Ge. 21. 19.
[s] Ki. 6. 17. Lu. 24. 16, 31
[t] Ge. 13. 16. 22. 17.
§ *my soul, or, my life.*
[u] Ps. 140. 13.
[x] Ex. 34. 9.
‖ *or, bowed himself.*
[b] ch. 24. 10.
[c] *to be an adversary unto thee.*
[f] ch. 22. 38. 2 Pe. 2. 14, 15
[g] 1 Sa. 15. 24, 30. 26. 21. 2 Sa. 12. 13. Jon. 3. 1, 3, 3. 10.
† *be evil in thine eyes.*
‡ *or, the hill.*
[a] Is. 1. 10, 11. Ho. 12. 11.
[b] Ge. 14. 17.
[c] ch. 21. 13.
[d] 1 Sa. 3. 17. Je. 37. 17.
[e] Ju. 3. 20.
[f] ch. 24. 13. 1 Ki. 22. 14. 2 Ch. 18. 13.
[g] 1 Sa. 15. 29. Mal. 3. 6. Ro. 11. 29. Ja. 1. 17. Tit. 1. 2.
§ *or, a city of streets.*
[a] Ge. 12. 2. 22. 17. Nu. 22. 12.
[i] Ro. 4. 7, 8.
[k] De. 12. 2.

thence he might see the utmost *part* of the people.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven oxen and seven rams.

2 And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on *every* altar a bullock and a ram.

3 And Balaam said unto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will go: peradventure the LORD will come [a] to meet me: and whatsoever he sheweth me I will tell thee. And [b] he went to an high place.

4 And [c] God met Balaam: and he said unto him, I have prepared seven altars, and I have offered upon *every* altar a bullock and a ram.

5 And the LORD [f] put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus thou shalt speak.

6 And he returned unto him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the princes of Moab.

7 And [i] he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east, *saying*, Come, [k] curse me Jacob, and come, [l] defy Israel.

8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, *whom* the LORD hath not defied?

9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, [n] the people shall dwell alone, and [p] shall not be reckoned among the nations.

10 Who [q] can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth *part* of Israel? Let § me die [r] the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!

11 And Balak said unto Balaam, What hast thou done unto me? [s] I took thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed *them* altogether.

12 And he answered and said, [t] Must I not take heed to speak that which the LORD hath put in my mouth?

13 And Balak said unto him, Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest see them: thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them all: and curse me them from thence.

14 ¶ And he brought him into the field of Zophim, to the top of ‡ Pisgah, [a] and built seven altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.

15 And he said unto Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *the* LORD yonder.

16 And the LORD met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, Go again unto Balak, and say thus.

17 And when he came to him, behold, he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, [d] What hath the LORD spoken?

18 And he took up his parable, and said, Rise [e] up, Balak, and hear; hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor:

19 God [f] is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do *it*? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

20 Behold, I have received *commandment* to bless: and [h] he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.

21 He hath [i] not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in

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Israel: the [a] LORD his God *is* with him, and [b] the shout of a king *is* among them.

22 God [c] brought them out of Egypt; he hath as it were [d] the strength of an unicorn.

23 Surely *there is* no enchantment [e] against Jacob, neither *is there* any divination against Israel: according to this time it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, [f] What hath God wrought!

24 Behold, the people shall rise up [g] as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young lion: he [h] shall not lie down until he eat *of* the prey, and drink the blood of the slain.

25 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all.

26 But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saying, [i] All that the LORD speaketh, that I must do?

27 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, [k] Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee unto another place; peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse me them from thence.

28 And Balak brought Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh [l] toward Jeshimon.

29 And Balaam said unto Balak, [m] Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks and seven rams.

30 And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he went not, as at [a] other times, [b] to seek for enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness.

2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel [c] abiding *in his tents* according to their tribes; and [d] the spirit of God came upon him.

3 And [e] he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man [f] whose eyes are open hath said:

4 He hath said, which heard the words of God, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling [g] *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:

5 How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, *and* thy tabernacles, O Israel!

6 As the valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as [h] the trees of lign aloes [i] which the LORD hath planted, *and* as cedar trees beside the waters.

7 He shall pour the water out of his buckets, and his seed *shall be* [k] in many waters, and his king shall be higher than Agag, and his [l] kingdom shall be exalted.

8 God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn: he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall [m] break their bones, and [n] pierce *them* through with his arrows.

9 He [o] couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up? Blessed [p] *is* he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that curseth thee.

10 ¶ And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he [q] smote his hands together: and Balak said unto Balaam, [r] I called thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed *them* these three times.

11 Therefore now flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee unto great honour; but, lo, the LORD hath kept thee back from honour.

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[a] Ex. 13. 21. 29. 45, 46. 33. 14.
[b] Ps. 89. 15.
[c] ch. 24. 8.
[d] Dt. 33. 17. Job 39. 10, 11
[e] or, *in*.
[f] Ps. 31. 19. 44. 1.
[g] Mi. 5. 5. Re. 2. 14.
[h] Ge. 49. 9.
[i] Dt. 2. 25.
[k] Ge. 49. 27.
[l] 1 Ki. 22. 14.
[m] Re. 1. 7.
[n] ver. 13.
[o] Mat. 2. 2. Re. 22. 16.
[p] Ps. 110. 2.
† or, *through the princes.* 2 Sa. 8. 2. Je. 48. 45.
[q] Ps. 60. 8, 9, 12
[r] ch. 21. 20.
[s] ver. 1.
‡ or, *the nations that warred against Israel.* Ex. 17. 8, 14.
§ or, shall be *even to destruction.* 1 Sa. 15. 3, 8.
[t] ch. 23. 3, 15.
‖ *to the meeting of enchantments.*
[u] ch. 2. 2, &c.
[v] *Kain.* Ge. 15. 19.
[w] 1 Sa. 10. 10. 2 Ch. 15. 1.
[x] or, *how long* shall it be ere *Asshur carry.*
[y] ch. 23. 7, 18.
‡ *who had his eyes shut,* but now opened
[z] Ge. 10. 21, 25.
[a] 1 Sa. 19. 24. 2 Co. 12. 2, 4. Re. 1. 10, 17.
[b] ch. 31. 8.
[c] Ps. 1. 3. Je. 17. 8.
[d] Ps. 104. 16.
[e] Mi. 6. 5.
[f] 1 Co. 10. 8.
[g] Je. 51. 13.
[h] Ex. 20. 5.
[i] 2 Sa. 5. 12. 1 Ch. 14. 2.
[k] Ps. 2. 9. Is. 38. 13.
[l] De. 4. 2. Jos. 22. 17.
[m] Ps. 45. 5. Je. 50. 9.
[n] Ge. 49. 9.
[o] De. 13. 17.
[p] Ge. 12. 3.
[q] De. 13. 6, 9, 13, 15.
[r] Eze. 21. 14, 17
[s] Jos. 24. 9, 10. Ne. 13. 2.
[t] Joel 2. 17
[u] Ex. 6. 25.

12 And Balaam said unto Balak, Spake I not also to thy messengers which thou sentest unto me, saying,

13 If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the commandment of the LORD, to do *either* good or bad of mine own mind; *but* what the LORD saith, that will I speak?

14 And now, behold, I go unto my people: come *therefore*, *and* I will advertise thee what this people shall do to thy people [s] in the latter days.

15 ¶ And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said:

16 He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, *which* saw the vision of the Almighty, falling *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:

17 I [t] shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come [u] a Star out of Jacob, and [v] a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite † the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.

18 And [w] Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies; and Israel shall do valiantly.

19 Out of Jacob shall come he that shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remaineth of the city.

20 ¶ And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said, Amalek *was* the first of ‡ the nations; but his latter end § *shall be* that he perish for ever.

21 And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said, Strong is thy dwellingplace, and thou puttest thy nest in a rock.

22 Nevertheless [x] the Kenite shall be wasted, † until Asshur shall carry thee away captive.

23 And he took up his parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when God doeth this!

24 And ships *shall come* from the coast of Chittim, and shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict [y] Eber, and he also shall perish for ever.

25 And Balaam rose up, and went and [z] returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

CHAP. XXV.

AND Israel abode in [a] Shittim, and [b] the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.

2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and [c] bowed down to their gods.

3 And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.

4 And the LORD said unto Moses, [d] Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, [e] that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, [f] Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor.

6 ¶ And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, [g] who *were* weeping *before* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

7 And when Phinehas, [h] the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw *it*

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he rose up from among the congregation, and took a javelin in his hand;

8 And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So [a] the plague was stayed from the children of Israel.

9 And [b] those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand.

10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

11 Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away from the children of Israel, while he was zealous [c] for my sake among them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in [d] my jealousy.

12 Wherefore say, [e] Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace:

13 And he shall have it, and [f] his seed after him, *even* the covenant of [m] an everlasting priesthood; because he was [n] zealous for his God, and [p] made an atonement for the children of Israel.

14 Now the name of the Israelite that was slain, *even* that was slain with the Midianitish woman, *was* Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a [‡] chief house among the Simeonites.

15 And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain *was* Cozbi, the daughter of [r] Zur; he *was* head over a people, *and* of a chief house in Midian.

16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 Vex the Midianites, and smite them:

18 For they vex you with their [s] wiles, wherewith they have beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister, which was slain in the day of the plague for Peor's sake.

CHAP. XXVI.

AND it came to pass after the [t] plague, that the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying,

2 Take [u] the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, throughout their fathers' house, all that are able to go to war in Israel.

3 And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them [x] in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,

4 *Take the sum of the people,* from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD [y] commanded Moses and the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt.

5 ¶ Reuben, [z] the eldest son of Israel: the children of Reuben; Hanoch, *of whom cometh* the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites:

6 Of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.

7 These *are* the families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbered of them were forty and three thousand and seven hundred and thirty.

8 And the sons of Pallu; Eliab.

9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This *is that* Dathan and Abiram, *which were* [a] famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD:

10 And [b] the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what

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[a] ch. 16. 39. 1 Sa. 2. 34. Je. 29. 22. Eze. 14. 8. 1 Co. 10. 6. 2 Pe. 2. 6. Jude 7.
[b] Ex. 6. 24.
[c] 1 Ch. 6. 22.
[d] Ps. 106. 30.
[e] Ge. 46. 10. Ex. 6. 15. *Jemuel.*
[f] De. 4. 37. 1 Co. 10. 8.
[g] 1 Ch. 4. 24. *Jarib.*
[h] Ge. 46. 10. *Zobar.*
[i] *with my zeal.* 2 Co. 11. 2.
[k] Ge. 46. 16. *Ziphion.*
[l] De. 32. 16, 21. 1 Ki. 14. 22. Ps. 78. 58. Eze. 16. 38. *Zep.* 1. 18. 3. 8.
[m] Mal. 2. 4, 5. 3. 1.
[n] 1 Ch. 6. 4, &c.
[‡] or, *Eshon.* Ge. 46. 16.
[o] Ex. 40. 15.
[p] Ac. 22. 3.
[q] Ge. 46. 16. *Arodi.*
[r] Ho. 2. 17.
[‡] *house of a father.*
[s] Ge. 38. 2, &c. 46. 12.
[t] 1 Ch. 2. 3.
[u] Jos. 13. 21.
[x] Ru. 2. 14.
[y] Ge. 46. 13. 1 Ch. 7. 1.
[z] ch. 25. 9.
§ or, *Phuvah*
|| or, *Job.*
[a] ch. 1. 2, 3. Ex. 30. 12. 38. 25, 26.
[b] ver. 63. ch. 22. 1. 31. 12. 33. 48. 35. 1. De. 4 46. 29. 34. 1, 6, 8.
[c] Ge. 46. 14.
[d] ch. 1. 1.
[e] Ge. 46. 8. Ex. 6. 14. 1 Ch. 5. 1, 3.
[f] Ge. 46. 20.
[g] Jos. 17. 1. 1 Ch. 7. 14, 15.
[f] Called *Abiezer,* Jos. 17. 2. Ju. 6. 11, 24. 34.
[h] ch. 16. 1, 2. Ps. 106. 17. Jude 11.
[i] ch. 27. 1. 36. 11.
[k] ch. 16. 38, 39.

time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: [k] and they became a sign.

11 Notwithstanding [i] the children of Korah died not.

12 ¶ The sons of Simeon after their families: of [d] Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of [f] Jachin, the family of the Jachinites:

13 Of [g] Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.

14 These *are* the families of the Simeonites, twenty and two thousand and two hundred.

15 ¶ The children of Gad after their families: of [h] Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the family of the Shunites:

16 Of [i] Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites:

17 Of [k] Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.

18 These *are* the families of the children of Gad according to those that were numbered of them, forty thousand and five hundred.

19 ¶ The [l] sons of Judah *were* Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.

20 And [m] the sons of Judah after their families were; of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites: of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.

21 And the sons of Pharez were; of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.

22 These *are* the families of Judah according to those that were numbered of them, threescore and sixteen thousand and five hundred.

23 ¶ *Of* [n] the sons of Issachar after their families: *of* Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of § Pua, the family of the Punites:

24 Of ‖ Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.

25 These *are* the families of Issachar according to those that were numbered of them, threescore and four thousand and three hundred.

26 [o] *Of* [p] the sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: of Elon, the family of the Elonites: of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.

27 These *are* the families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbered of them, threescore thousand and five hundred.

28 ¶ The [q] sons of Joseph after their families *were* Manasseh and Ephraim.

29 Of the sons of Manasseh: of [r] Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: of Gilead *come* the family of the Gileadites.

30 These *are* the sons of Gilead: *of* [f] Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites: of Helek, the family of the Helekites:

31 And *of* Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and *of* Shechem, the family of the Shechemites:

32 And *of* Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites: and *of* Hepher, the family of the Hepherites.

33 ¶ And [s] Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad *were* Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

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34 These *are* the families of Manasseh, and those that were numbered of them, fifty and two thousand and seven hundred.

35 ¶ These *are* the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: of [b] Becher, the family of the Bachrites: of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

36 And these *are* the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites.

37 These *are* the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These *are* the sons of Joseph after their families.

38 ¶ The [d] sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites: of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of [e] Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites:

39 Of [f] Shupham, the family of the Shuphamites: of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.

40 And the sons of Bela were [i] Ard and Naaman: *of Ard*, the family of the Ardites: *and* of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.

41 These *are* the sons of Benjamin after their families: and they that were numbered of them *were* forty and five thousand and six hundred.

42 ¶ These [m] *are* the sons of Dan after their families: of [o] Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These *are* the families of Dan after their families.

43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and four thousand and four hundred.

44 ¶ *Of* [p] the children of Asher after their families: of Jimna, the family of the Jimnites: of Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.

45 Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

46 And the name of the daughter of Asher *was* Sarah.

47 These *are* the families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of them; *who were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

48 ¶ *Of* [t] the sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites:

49 Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of [v] Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.

50 These *are* the families of Naphtali according to their families: and they that were numbered of them *were* forty and five thousand and four hundred.

51 These [y] *were* the numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty.

52 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

53 Unto [b] these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names.

54 To [c] many thou shalt ‡ give the more inheritance, and to few thou shalt § give the less inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be given according to those that were numbered of him.

55 Notwithstanding the land shall be [e] divided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherit.

56 According to the lot shall the possession thereof be divided between many and few.

57 ¶ And [a] these *are* they that were numbered of the Levites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family of the Merarites.

58 These *are* the families of the Levites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites. And Kohath begat Amram.

59 And the name of Amram's wife *was* [x] Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, whom *her mother* bare to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister.

60 And unto Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

61 And [d] Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before the LORD.

62 And [h] those that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, all males from a month old and upward: [h] for they were not numbered among the children of Israel, because there was [i] no inheritance given them among the children of Israel.

63 ¶ These *are* they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.

64 But [m] among these there was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron the priest numbered, when they numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.

65 For the LORD had said of them, They [p] shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not left a man of them, [r] save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

CHAP. XXVII.

THEN came the daughters of [s] Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these *are* the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.

2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

3 Our father [m] died in the wilderness, and he was not in the company of them that gathered themselves together against the LORD [r] in the company of Korah; but died in his own sin, and had no sons.

4 Why should the name of our father be † done away from among his family, because he hath no son? [s] Give unto us *therefore* a possession among the brethren of our father.

5 And Moses [a] brought their cause before the LORD.

6 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

7 The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: [d] thou shalt surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the inheritance of their father to pass unto them.

8 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter.

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[a] Ge. 46. 11. Ex. 6. 16. 19 1 Ch. 6. 1, 16.

[b] 1 Ch. 7. 20, *Bered.*

[c] Ex. 2. 1, 2. 6. 20.

[d] Ge. 46. 21. 1 Ch. 7. 6.

[e] Ge. 46. 21, *Ehi.* 1 Ch. 8. 1, *Aharah.*

[f] Ge. 46. 21, *Muppim and Huppim.*

[g] Le. 10. 1, 2. 1 Sa. 6. 19. 1 Ch. 13. 10. 15. 13. 24. 2. Ac. 5. 5, 10. 1 Co. 10. 11.

[h] ch. 3. 39.

[i] 1 Ch. 8. 3, *Addar.*

[k] ch. 1. 49.

[l] ch. 18. 20, 23, 24. De. 10. 9. Jos. 13. 14, 33 14. 3.

[m] Ge. 46. 23.

[o] or, *Hushim*

[n] De. 2. 14, 15.

[o] Ge. 46. 17. 1 Ch. 7. 30.

[p] 1 Co. 10. 5, 6.

[r] ch. 14. 30.

[s] ch. 26. 33. Jos. 17. 3.

[t] Ge. 46. 24. 1 Ch. 7. 13.

[u] ch. 26. 54, 55.

[v] 1 Ch. 7. 13, *Shallum.*

[x] ch. 16. 1, 2.

[y] ch. 1. 46.

† *diminished*

[z] Jos. 17. 4.

[a] Ex. 18. 15, 19

[b] Jos. 14. 1. Ps. 105. 44. Eze. 47. 22. De. 7. 22, 27.

[c] ch. 33. 54.

‡ *multiply his inheritance.*

§ *diminish his inheritance.*

[d] ch. 36. 2.

[e] ch. 33. 54. 34. 13. Jos. 11. 23. 14. 2.

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9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.

10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

11 And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel [h] a statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [i] Get thee up into this mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the children of Israel.

13 And when thou hast seen it, thou also [k] shalt be gathered unto thy people, as Aaron thy brother was gathered.

14 For ye [l] rebelled against my commandment in the desert of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me at the water before their eyes: that *is* the [A] water of Meribah in Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.

15 ¶ And Moses spake unto the LORD, saying,

16 Let the LORD, [k] the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation,

17 Which [l] may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the LORD be not as [m] sheep which have no shepherd.

18 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man [n] in whom *is* the spirit, and [o] lay thine hand upon him;

19 And set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and [p] give him a charge in their sight.

20 And [q] thou shalt put *some* of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel [m] may be obedient.

21 And [r] he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask *counsel* for him [s] after the judgment of Urim before the LORD: [t] at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, *both* he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.

22 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation:

23 And he laid his hands upon him, [c] and gave him a charge, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, My offering, *and* [d] my bread for my sacrifices made by fire, *for* [e] a sweet [f] savour unto me, shall ye observe to offer unto me in their due season.

3 And thou shalt say unto them, This *is* the offering made by fire which ye shall offer unto the LORD; [g] two lambs of the first year without spot [†] day by day, *for* a continual burnt offering.

4 The one lamb shalt thou offer in the morning, and the other lamb shalt thou offer [‡] at even;

5 And a tenth *part* of an ephah of flour for a meat offering, mingled with the fourth *part* of an hin of beaten oil.

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[a] Am. 5. 25.
[b] ch. 35. 29.
[c] De. 34. 1.
[d] De. 10. 6.
[e] Eze. 46. 4.
[f] De. 1. 37. 32. 51. Ps. 106. 32.
[g] ch. 10. 10. 1 Sa. 20. 5. 1 Ch. 23. 31. 2 Ch. 2. 4. Ezr. 3. 5. Ne. 10. 33 Is. 1. 13, 14. Eze. 45. 17. 46. 6. Ho. 2. 11. Col. 2. 16.
[A] Ex. 17. 7.
[i] ch 15. 4..12.
[k] He. 12. 9.
[l] 1 Sa. 8. 20. 18. 13. 2 Ch. 1. 10
[m] 1 Ki. 22. 17. Zec. 10. 2. Mat. 9. 36. Mar. 6. 34.
[n] De. 41. 38. Ju. 3. 10. 11. 29. 1 Sa. 16. 13. 18.
[o] De. 34. 9.
[p] ch. 15. 34. De. 31. 7. Lu. 9. 1..5. 10.1..11. Ac. 20. 28. 31 Col. 4. 17.
[q] ch. 11 17, 28. 1 Sa. 10. 6, 9. 2 Ki. 2. 15.
[r] ch. 9 3. Ex. 12. 6, 18. Le. 23. 5. De. 16. 1. Eze. 45. 21.
[s] Joe. 1. 16, 17
[t] Joe. 2. 14. Ju. 1. 1. 1 Sa. 23 9. 30. 7.
[a] Le. 23. 8.
[b] Ex. 28. 30.
[c] Jos. 9. 14. 1 Sa. 22. 10. 13, 15.
[d] Ex. 12. 16. Le. 23. 7.
[b] ver. 31.
[c] De. 3. 28.
[d] Mal. 1. 7, 12.
[e] ver. 15.
[e] *a savour of my rest.*
[f] Ge. 8. 21. Exo. 16. 19. 20. 41. 2 Co. 2. 15. Ep. 5. 2. Phi. 4. 18.
[g] Ex. 29. 38. Eze. 46. 13.. 15. Jno. 1. 29. 1 Pe. 1. 19, 20 Re. 13. 8.
[†] *in a day.*
Da. 11. 31.
[‡] *between the two evenings.*
Ex. 12. 6.
[h] Le. 23. 10, 15 Ac. 1. 4, &c. 26. 23. 1 Co. 15. 20.

6 *It is* [e] a continual burnt offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

7 And the drink offering thereof *shall be* the fourth *part* of an hin for the one lamb: in the holy *place* shalt thou cause the strong wine to be poured unto the LORD *for* a drink offering.

8 And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: as the meat offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer *it*, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

9 ¶ And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof:

10 *This is* [g] the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

11 ¶ And [‡] in the beginnings of your months ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs of the first year without spot;

12 And [f] three tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one bullock; and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one ram;

13 And a several tenth deal of flour mingled with oil *for* a meat offering unto one lamb: *for* a burnt offering of a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

14 And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine unto a bullock, and the third *part* of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth *part* of an hin unto a lamb: this *is* the burnt offering of every month throughout the months of the year.

15 And [g] one kid of the goats for a sin offering unto the LORD shall be offered, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

16 And [‡] in the fourteenth day of the first month *is* the passover of the LORD.

17 And [‡] in the fifteenth day of this month *is* the feast: seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten.

18 In the [a] first day *shall be* an holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work *therein:*

19 But ye shall offer a sacrifice made by fire *for a* burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, and seven lambs of the first year: [b] they shall be unto you without blemish:

20 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil: three tenth deals shall ye offer for a bullock, and two tenth deals for a ram;

21 A several tenth deal shalt thou offer for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

22 And [c] one goat *for a* sin offering, to make an atonement for you.

23 Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering in the morning, which *is for a* continual burnt offering.

24 After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat *of* the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work.

26 ¶ Also [‡] in the day of the firstfruits,

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when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD, after your weeks *be out*, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:

27 But ye shall offer the burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; [b] two young bullocks, one ram, seven lambs of the first year;

28 And their meat offering of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto one bullock, two tenth deals unto one ram,

29 A several tenth deal unto one lamb, throughout the seven lambs;

30 *And* one kid of the goats, to make an atonement for you.

31 Ye shall offer *them* beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, ([d] they shall be unto you without blemish) and their drink offerings.

CHAP. XXIX.

AND in the seventh month, on the first [day] of the month, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work: [f] it is a day of blowing the trumpets unto you.

2 And ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; one young bullock, one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year without blemish:

3 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock, *and* two tenth deals for a ram,

4 And one tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

5 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering, to make an atonement for you:

6 Beside [g] the burnt offering of the month, and his meat offering, and [h] the daily burnt offering, and his meat offering, and their drink offerings, [i] according unto their manner, for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

7 ¶ And [m] ye shall have on the tenth [day] of this seventh month an holy convocation; and ye shall [n] afflict your souls: ye shall not do any work *therein:*

8 But ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour; one young bullock, one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year; [o] they shall be unto you without blemish:

9 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals to a bullock, *and* two tenth deals to one ram,

10 A several tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

11 One kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside [p] the sin offering of atonement, and the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink offerings.

12 ¶ And [q] on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days:

13 And [r] ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; thirteen young bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year; they shall be without blemish:

14 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto every bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth deals to each ram of the two rams,

15 And a several tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen lambs:

16 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering,

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[a] Ps. 40. 6. 50. 8, 9. 51. 16, 17. 69. 31. Is. 1. 11. Je. 7. 22, 23. Ho. 12. 1. Ho. 8. 13. 9. 6..14.

[b] Le. 23. 18, 19

[c] ver. 3, 4. ch. 15. 12. 28. 7, 14.

[d] ver. 19. ch. 29. 6. Le. 22. 20. De. 15. 21. Mal. 1. 13, 14 1 Pe. 1. 19.

[e] ver. 18.

[f] Ps. 16. 4. Joel 1. 9, 13. 2. 14.

[g] Le. 23. 24.

[h] Jno. 8. 31. Ac. 13. 43. Ro. 2. 7. Ga. 2. 5. He. 3. 14. 10. 39. 13. 15.

[i] ch. 28. 11.

[k] ch. 28. 3.

[l] ch. 15. 11, 12.

[m] Le. 16. 29. 23. 27.

[n] Ps. 35. 13. Is. 58. 5.

[o] ch. 28. 19.

[p] Le. 16. 3, 5.

[q] Le. 23. 33. De. 16. 13. Ezr. 3. 4.

[r] Le. 23. 36. Jno. 7. 37.. 39. Re. 7. 9..17.

[s] ch. 28. 11. Ezr. 3. 4. He. 10. 1, 11 ..14.

[t] or, *after.*

[u] Le. 23. 2. 1 Ch. 23. 31. 2 Ch. 31. 3. Ezr. 3. 5. Ne. 10. 33. Is. 1. 14.

[v] Le. 7. 11, 16. 22. 21, 23. 1 Co. 10. 31. Col. 3. 17.

his meat offering, and his drink offering.

17 ¶ And on the second day [t] *ye shall offer* twelve young bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year without spot:

18 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, [s] after the manner:

19 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their drink offerings.

20 ¶ And on the third day eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish;

21 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, [s] after the manner:

22 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his [f] drink offering.

23 ¶ And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

24 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

25 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the [k] continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.

26 ¶ And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without spot:

27 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

28 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29 ¶ And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

30 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

31 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.

32 ¶ And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

33 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

34 And one goat *for* a sin offering, beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.

35 ¶ On the eighth day ye shall have a [u] solemn assembly: ye shall do no servile work *therein:*

36 But ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: one bullock, one ram, seven lambs of the first year without blemish:

37 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

38 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

39 These *things* ye shall [v] do unto the LORD in your [u] set feasts, beside your [v] vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meat

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offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings.

40 And *b* Moses told the children of Israel according to all that the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAP. XXX.

AND Moses spake unto *d* the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded.

2 If *e* a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or *f* swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not *g* break his word, he shall *h* do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.

3 If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind *herself* by a bond, *being* in her father's house in her youth;

4 And her father hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her father shall hold his peace at her: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand.

5 But *m* if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her.

6 And if she had at all an husband, when *i* she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her soul;

7 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard *it*: then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

8 But if her husband *p* disallowed her on the day that he heard *it;* then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her soul, of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her.

9 But every vow of *q* a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith they have bound their souls, shall stand against her.

10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath;

11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her, *and* disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard *them;* *then* whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her.

13 Every vow, and every binding oath to *s* afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which *are* upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard *them.*

15 But *t* if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard *them;* then he shall bear her iniquity.

16 These *are* the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her youth in her father's house.

CHAP. XXXI.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Avenge the children of Israel of the

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a Ac. 13. 36.
b Mar. 28. 20. Ac. 20. 27. 1 Co. 15. 3. He. 3. 2, 5.
c Le. 26. 10.
d ch. 1. 4, 16. 7. 2.
* *A thousand of a tribe, a thousand of a tribe.*
e Le. 27. 2. De. 23. 21. Ju. 11. 30, 35. Ec. 5. 4.
f Le. 5. 4. Mat. 14. 9. Ac. 23. 14.
† *profane.* Ps. 55. 20.
g Job 22. 27. Ps. 22. 25. 50. 14. 66. 13, 14 116. 14, 18 Na. 1. 15.
h ch. 25. 7, 13.
i ch. 10. 9. Ex. 25. 9. Jos. 6. 4, &c. 1 Sa. 23. 9. 2 Ch. 13. 12, 15
k De. 23. 13. Ju. 21. 11. 1 Sa. 27. 9. 1 Ki. 11. 15, 16
l Ju. 6. 1, 2, 33.
m Ho. 6. 6. Mar. 7. 10, 12 Ep. 6. 1.
n Jos. 13. 21, 22 Ps. 9. 16. 10. 2. 1 Ti. 6. 9, 10. Jude 11.
‡ *her vows were upon her.* Ps. 56. 12.
o De. 20. 14.
p Ge. 3. 16. 1 Co. 7. 4. 14. 34. Ep. 5. 22. 24 Col. 3. 18. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
r Jos. 3. 16.
s Lu. 2. 37.
Ro. 7. 2.
t Ep. 4. 26.
§ *host of war*
u De. 20. 13. 1 Sa. 15. 3.
v Ec. 7. 26. 1 Co. 6. 13 18 2 Pe. 2. 15. Re. 2. 14.
x ch. 25. 9.
y Ju. 21. 11.
‖ *a male.*
z Ezr. 8. 21. Ps. 35. 13. Is. 58. 5. Joel 2. 12, 13
a Is. 14. 2.
b ch. 5. 2.
c ch. 19. 11, &c
d Ga. 3. 28. Col. 3. 11.
* *instrument,* or, *vessel of.*
e Zec. 13. 9. Mal. 3. 2, 3. 1 Co. 3. 13. 1 Pe. 1. 7. 4. 12. Re. 3. 18.

Midianites: afterward shalt thou *a* be gathered unto thy people.

3 And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of yourselves unto the war, and let them go against the Midianites, and *c* avenge the LORD of Midian.

4 * Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye send to the war.

5 So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of *every* tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.

6 And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of *every* tribe, them and *b* Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy instruments, and *c* the trumpets to blow in his hand.

7 And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moses; and *d* they slew all the *l* males.

8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; *namely,* Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: *e* Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.

9 And the children of Israel took *all* the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.

10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with fire.

11 And *f* they took all the spoil, and all the prey, *both* of men and of beasts.

12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the *r* plains of Moab, which *are* by Jordan *near* Jericho.

13 ¶ And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

14 And Moses was *t* wroth with the officers of the host, *with* the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the § battle.

15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved *u* all the women alive?

16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the *v* counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and *x* there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

17 Now therefore *y* kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with ‖ him.

18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, *a* keep alive for yourselves.

19 And *b* do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and *c* whosoever hath touched any slain, purify *both* yourselves and your captives on the third day, and on the seventh day.

20 And purify all *your* raiment, and all * that is made of skins, and all work of goats' *hair,* and all things made of wood.

21 ¶ And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war which went to the battle, This *is* the ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded Moses;

22 Only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead,

23 Every thing that may *e* abide the fire, ye shall make *it* go through the fire, and it shall be clean: nevertheless it shall be

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purified [c] with the water of separation: and all that abideth not the fire ye shall make [b] go through the water.

24 And [c] ye shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall be clean, and afterward ye shall come into the camp.

25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

26 Take the sum of the prey [†] that was taken, *both* of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation:

27 And [d] divide the prey into two parts; between them that took the war upon them, who went out to battle, and between all the congregation:

28 And levy a tribute [h] unto the LORD of the men of war which went out to battle: [i] one soul of five hundred, *both* of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep:

29 Take *it* of their half, and give *it* unto Eleazar the priest, *for* an heave offering of the LORD.

30 And of the children of Israel's half thou shalt take [l] one portion of fifty, of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the [k] flocks, of all manner of beasts, and give them unto the Levites, [m] which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD.

31 And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD commanded Moses.

32 And the booty, *being* the rest of the prey which the men of war had caught, was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep,

33 And threescore and twelve thousand beeves,

34 And threescore and one thousand asses,

35 And thirty and two thousand persons in all, of women that had not known man by lying with him.

36 And the half, *which was* the portion of them that went out to war, was in number three hundred thousand and seven and thirty thousand and five hundred sheep:

37 And the LORD's tribute of the sheep was six hundred and threescore and fifteen.

38 And the beeves *were* thirty and six thousand; of which the LORD's tribute was threescore and twelve.

39 And the asses *were* thirty thousand and five hundred; of which the LORD's tribute was threescore and one.

40 And the persons were sixteen thousand; of which the LORD's tribute *was* thirty and two persons.

41 And Moses gave the tribute, *which* was the LORD's heave offering, unto Eleazar the priest, [p] as the LORD commanded Moses.

42 And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from the men that warred,

43 (Now the half *that pertained unto* the congregation was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand *and* seven thousand and five hundred sheep,

44 And thirty and six thousand beeves,

45 And thirty thousand asses and five hundred,

46 And sixteen thousand persons;)

47 Even [d] of the children of Israel's half, Moses took one portion of fifty, *both* of man and of beast, and gave them [f] unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

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[a] ch. 19. 9,17.
[b] Ep. 5. 26.
[c] Le. 11. 25.
[d] *hand.*
[d] 1 Sa. 30. 18, 19. Ps. 72. 14. Jno. 17. 12. 18. 9.
[†] *of the captivity.*
[e] Le. 7. 12. Ps. 107. 21, 22. 116. 12, 13, 17.
[f] *found.*
[f] Ex. 30. 12, 16
[g] Jos. 22. 8. 1 Sa. 30. 4. Ps. 68. 12.
[h] Pr. 3. 9. 10. Mar. 12. 17.
[i] *heave offering.*
[k] ch. 18. 26.
[l] De. 20. 14.
[l] ver. 42...47.
[k] or, *goats.*
[m] Ex. 30. 16. Ps. 18. 49. 103. 1, 2. 145. 7. Lu. 21. 1...4. Ac. 10. 4.
[n] Ac. 20. 28.
[o] Jos. 13. 25. 2 Sa. 24. 5.
[p] ver. 26, *Beth-nimrah.*
[r] ver. 38, *Shibmah.*
[s] ver. 38, *Baal-meon*
[t] ch. 21. 24, 34.
[u] Pr. 20. 21. 1 Co. 13. 5. Phi. 2. 4.
[v] *break.*
Ac. 21. 13.
[w] ch. 13. 3, 26.
[x] De. 1. 22, &c
[y] ch. 18. 8, 19. Mat. 10. 10. 1 Co. 9. 10...14. Ga. 6. 6. 1 Th. 5. 12, 13. 1 Ti. 5. 17. He. 7. 4...10.
[z] ch. 13. 24, 31
[a] ch. 14. 11, 21
[b] ch. 14. 28, 29
[c] ch. 14. 24, 30.
[†] *fulfilled after me.*
[d] ver. 30.
[e] Jos. 14. 8, 9.
[f] 1 Ch. 9. 32, 33 Ps. 134. 1.
[g] ch. 14. 33.. 35.
[h] ch. 26. 64, 65.

48 ¶ And the officers which *were* over thousands of the host, the captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses:

49 And they said unto Moses, Thy servants have taken the sum of the men of war which *are* under our [v] charge, and [d] there lacketh not one man of us.

50 We have therefore brought [e] an oblation for the LORD, what every man hath [‡] gotten, of jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings, earrings, and tablets, [f] to make an atonement for our souls before the LORD.

51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, *even* all wrought jewels.

52 And all the gold of the [§] offering that they offered up to the LORD, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels.

53 (*For* [h] the men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.)

54 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the tabernacle of the congregation, [m] *for* a memorial for the children of Israel before the LORD.

CHAP. XXXII.

NOW the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle: and when they saw the land of [n] Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place *was* a place for cattle;

2 The children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying,

3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and [p] Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and [r] Shebam, and Nebo, and [s] Beon,

4 *Even* the country [t] which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, *is* a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle:

5 Wherefore, said they, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, *and* bring us not over Jordan.

6 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, Shall your brethren go to war, and [u] shall ye sit here?

7 And wherefore [v] discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which the LORD hath given them?

8 Thus did your fathers, [w] when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea [x] to see the land.

9 For [y] when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the LORD had given them.

10 And [z] the LORD's anger was kindled the same time, and he sware, saying,

11 Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, [a] from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because [e] they have not [†] wholly followed me:

12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: [e] for they have wholly followed the LORD.

13 And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them [g] wander in the wilderness forty years, until [h] all

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the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed.

14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the [c] fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel.

15 For if ye [d] turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and [e] ye shall destroy all this people.

16 ¶ And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones:

17 But [f] we ourselves will go ready armed before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land.

18 We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance.

19 For [g] we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; [h] because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward.

20 ¶ And [i] Moses said unto them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before the LORD to war,

21 And will go all of you armed over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his enemies from before him,

22 And [k] the land be subdued before the LORD: then afterward [l] ye shall return, and be guiltless before the LORD, and before Israel; and [m] this land shall be your possession before the LORD.

23 But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure [n] your sin will find you out.

24 Build [o] you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth.

25 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake unto Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth.

26 Our [p] little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead:

27 But [q] thy servants will pass over, every man armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my lord saith.

28 So concerning them Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel:

29 And Moses said unto them, If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, every man armed to battle, before the LORD, and the land shall be subdued before you; then [r] ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession:

30 But if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan.

31 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As the LORD hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.

32 We will pass over armed before the LORD into the land of Canaan, that the possession of our inheritance on this side Jordan *may be* our's.

33 And [s] Moses gave unto them, *even* to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, [t] the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land,

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[a] ch. 33. 45, 46.
[b] De. 2. 35.
[c] Ne. 13. 18. Is. 65. 6, 7.
[d] ver. 1, 3, *Jaser.*
[e] De. 30. 17. Jos. 22. 16, 18. 2 Ch. 7. 19. 15. 2.
[f] ver. 3, *Nimrah.*
[g] ver. 24.
[h] Je. 36. 23. Mat. 18. 7. Ro. 14. 13, 20, 21. 1 Co. 8. 11, 12.
[i] ch. 1. 27.
[k] Is. 46. 1.
[l] ch. 32. 41.
[m] Ex. 32. 13. Jos. 23. 7.
[n] *they called by names the names of the cities*
[o] Jos. 4. 12, 13.
[p] Ge. 50. 26.
[q] De. 3. 12, 13, 15. Jos. 13. 31. 17. 1.
[r] De. 3. 14. Jos. 13. 30. 1 Ch. 2. 21..23
[s] 2 Ki. 10. 32, 33. 1 Ch. 5. 25, 26
[t] Jos. 12. 1. 13. 8.
[u] Ju. 10. 4. 1 Ki. 4. 13.
[v] De. 18.
[x] De. 2. 20. Jos. 11. 23. 18. 1. Ps. 44. 1..3 78. 55.
[y] Jos. 22. 4.
[z] De. 3. 12, 15, 16, 18. Jos. 1. 15. 13 8, 32. 22. 4, 9.
[a] Ex. 12. 37.
[b] Ex. 12. 2. 13. 4.
[c] Ge. 4. 7. 44. 16. Is. 59. 12
[d] ver. 16, 34, &c.
[e] Ex. 14. 8.
[f] Ex. 12. 29.
[g] Ex. 18. 11. Is. 19. 1. Re. 12. 9.
[h] Jos. 1. 13, 14.
[i] Ex. 13. 20.
[k] Jos. 4. 12.
[l] Ex. 14. 2, 9.
[m] Ex. 14. 22. 15 22, 23.
[n] 1 Co. 12 28.
[o] Ex. 15. 27.
[p] Ex. 16. 1.
[q] De. 3. 12..17 29. 8. Jos. 12. 6. 22. 4.
[r] Ex. 17. 1. 19. 2.
[s] ch. 21. 14, 33, 35.
[t] Ex. 16. 1.
† i. e. *the graves of lust.*

with the cities thereof in the coasts, *even* the cities of the country round about.

34 ¶ And the children of Gad built [a] Dibon, and Ataroth, and [b] Aroer,

35 And Atroth, Shophan, and [c] Jaazer, and Jogbehah,

36 And [d] Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, [e] fenced cities: and folds for sheep.

37 And the children of Reuben [f] built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kirjathaim,

38 And [g] Nebo, and [h] Baal-meon, (["] their names being changed,) and Shibmah: and [i] gave other names unto the cities which they builded.

39 And the children of [k] Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which was in it.

40 And Moses [l] gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he dwelt therein.

41 And [m] Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns thereof, and called them [n] Havoth-jair.

42 And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after his own name.

CHAP. XXXIII.

THESE *are* the journeys of the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt with their armies under the hand of Moses and Aaron.

2 And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the commandment of the LORD: and these *are* their journeys according to their goings out.

3 And they [a] departed from Rameses in [b] the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the passover the children of Israel went out [c] with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.

4 For the Egyptians buried all *their* firstborn, [d] which the LORD had smitten among them: [e] upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.

5 And the children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.

6 And they departed from [f] Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which *is* in the edge of the wilderness.

7 And [g] they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pi-hahiroth, which *is* before Baal-zephon: and they pitched before Migdol.

8 And they departed from before Pi-hahiroth, and [h] passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and pitched in Marah.

9 And they removed from Marah, and [i] came unto Elim: and in Elim *were* twelve fountains of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.

10 And they removed from Elim, and encamped by the Red sea.

11 And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the [k] wilderness of Sin.

12 And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah.

13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.

14 And they removed from Alush, and encamped at [l] Rephidim, where was no water for the people to drink.

15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the [m] wilderness of Sinai.

16 And they removed from the desert of Sinai, and pitched at † Kibroth-hattaavah.

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17 And they departed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and [c] encamped at Hazeroth.
18 And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in [b] Rithmah.
19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon-parez.
20 And they departed from Rimmon-parez, and pitched in Libnah.
21 And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.
22 And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.
23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.
24 And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.
25 And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.
26 And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.
27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.
28 And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.
29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.
30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and [d] encamped at Moseroth.
31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan.
32 And they removed from [d] Bene-jaakan, and [e] encamped at Hor-hagidgad.
33 And they went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah.
34 And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.
35 And they departed from Ebronah, [f] and encamped at Ezion-gaber.
36 And they removed from Ezion-gaber, and pitched in the [m] wilderness of Zin, which *is* Kadesh.
37 And they removed from [o] Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom.
38 And [r] Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor [at] the commandment of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first *day* of the fifth month.
39 And Aaron *was* an hundred and twenty and three years old when he died in mount Hor.
40 And [s] king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel.
41 And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.
42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.
43 And they departed from Punon, and [t] pitched in Oboth.
44 And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in [†] Ije-abarim, [u] in the border of Moab.
45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched [o] in Dibon-gad.
46 And they removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim.
47 And they removed from Almon-diblathaim, [h] and pitched in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.
48 And they departed from the mountains of Abarim, and [i] pitched in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.
49 And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-jesimoth *even* unto [‡] Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab.
50 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses

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[a] ch. 11. 35.
[b] ch. 12. 16.
[c] De. 7. 1, 2. 9. 1. Jos. 3. 17.
[d] Ex. 23. 24, 33. 34. 13. De. 12. 3. Jos. 11. 12. Ju. 2. 2.
[e] ch. 36. 53, 56.
[*] *multiply his inheritance.*
[†] *diminish his inheritance.*
[f] Ex. 23. 33. Jos. 23. 13. Ju. 2. 3. Ps. 106. 34, 36. Eze. 28. 24.
[g] De. 10. 6.
[h] Ge. 36. 27. De. 10. 6. 1 Ch. 1. 42.
[i] De. 10. 7.
[j] Ge. 37. 8. Ps. 78. 55. 105. 11. Eze. 47. 14. Ac. 17. 26.
[k] Ps. 16. 5, 6. Je. 3. 19. Ac. 26. 18. Ep. 1. 14, 18. 1 Pe. 1. 3, 4.
[l] De. 2. 8. 1 Ki. 9. 26. 22. 48.
[m] Jos. 15. 1. Eze. 47. 13, &c.
[n] ch. 20. 1.
[o] ch. 21. 4.
[p] Ge. 14. 3. Jos. 15. 2, 3.
[r] De. 10. 6. 32. 50.
[s] Ju. 1. 16.
[t] ch. 13. 26.
[u] Ge. 15. 18. Jos. 15. 4, 47. 1 Ki. 8. 65. Is. 27. 12.
[v] ch. 21. 1, &c.
[x] Jos. 9. 1. 23. 4.
[y] ch. 33. 37.
[z] ch. 13. 21. 2 Sa. 8. 9. 2 Ki. 14. 25. Je. 39. 5.
[a] Eze. 47. 15.
[b] ch. 21. 10.
[‡] or, *heaps of Abarim.*
[c] ch. 21. 11.
[d] Eze. 47. 17.
[e] ch. 33. 34.
[f] Je. 48. 22. Eze. 6. 14.
[g] 2 Ki. 23. 33. Je. 39. 5, 6.
[h] De. 32. 49.
[§] *shoulder.*
[i] De. 3. 17. Jos. 11. 2. 19. 35. Mat. 14. 34. Lu. 5. 1. Joo. 6. 1.
[k] ch. 22. 1.
[l] Ge. 13. 10. 19. 24, 25.
[||] or, *the plains of Shittim.*
[m] Jos 14. 1, 2.

in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,
51 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [m] When ye are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan;
52 Then [d] ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places:
53 And ye shall dispossess *the inhabitants of* the land, and dwell therein: for I have given you the land to possess it.
54 And [e] ye shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among your families: and to the more ye shall [*] give the more inheritance, and to the fewer ye shall [†] give the less inheritance: every man's *inheritance* shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to the tribes of your fathers ye shall inherit.
55 But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them *shall be* [f] pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.
56 Moreover it shall come to pass, *that* I shall do unto you, as I thought to do unto them.

CHAP. XXXIV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into [j] the land of Canaan; (this *is* the land that shall fall unto you for [k] an inheritance, *even* the land of Canaan with the coasts thereof:)
3 Then [m] your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the coast of Edom, and your south border shall be the outmost coast of [p] the salt sea eastward:
4 And your border shall turn from the south [q] to the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the going forth thereof shall be from the south [r] to Kadesh-barnea, and shall go on to Hazar-addar, and pass on to Azmon:
5 And the border shall fetch a compass from Azmon [u] unto the river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.
6 And *as for* the western border, ye shall even have [x] the great sea for a border: this shall be your west border.
7 And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ye shall point out for you [y] mount Hor:
8 From mount Hor ye shall point out *your border* [z] unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings forth of the border shall be to [a] Zedad:
9 ¶ And the border shall go on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at [d] Hazar-enan: this shall be your north border.
10 And ye shall point out your east border from Hazar-enan to Shepham:
11 And the coast shall go down from Shepham [g] to Riblah, on the east side of Ain; and the border shall descend, and shall reach unto the [§] side of the sea [i] of Chinnereth eastward:
12 And the border shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at [l] the salt sea: this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about.
13 And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, [m] This *is* the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the LORD

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commanded to give unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe:

14 For [h] the tribe of the children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, and the tribe of the children of Gad according to the house of their fathers, have received *their inheritance;* and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance:

15 The two tribes and the half tribe have received their inheritance on this side Jordan *near* Jericho eastward, toward the sunrising.

16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 These *are* the names of the men which shall divide the land unto you: [g] Eleazar the priest, and [h] Joshua the son of Nun.

18 And ye shall take one [i] prince of every tribe, to divide the land by inheritance.

19 And the names of the men *are* these: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

20 And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud.

21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon.

22 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Dan, Bukki the son of Jogli.

23 The prince of the children of Joseph, for the tribe of the children of Manasseh, Hanniel the son of Ephod.

24 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Ephraim, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan.

25 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Zebulun, Elizaphan the son of Parnach.

26 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Issachar, Paltiel the son of Azzan.

27 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Asher, Ahihud the son of Shelomi.

28 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, Pedahel the son of Ammihud.

29 These *are they* whom the LORD commanded to divide the inheritance unto the children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

CHAP. XXXV.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,

2 Command [e] the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in; and ye shall give *also* unto the Levites suburbs for the cities round about them.

3 And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the suburbs of them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.

4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the Levites, *shall reach* from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.

5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city *shall be* in the midst: this shall be to them the suburbs of the cities.

6 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites *there shall be* [n] six cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint for the manslayer, that he may flee thither: and [§] to them ye shall add forty and two cities.

7 *So* all the cities which ye shall give to

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[a] Jos. 21. 41.
[b] ch. 32. 33. Jos. 14. 3.
[c] Ge. 49. 7. Ex. 32. 27, 29. De. 33. 8, 11. Jos. 21. 3.
[d] ch. 26. 54.
[e] *they inherit*
[f] De. 19. 2. Jos. 20. 2.
[g] Ex. 31. 13. Ps. 142. 4, 5. Is. 4. 6. 25. 4. He. 6. 18.
[h] Jos. 14. 1. 19. 51.
[i] Ex. 17. 9...13 24. 13. 32. 17. De. 31. 7, &c 34. 9. Jos. 1. 1, &c.
[†] *by error.*
[k] ch. 1. 4, 16.
[l] De. 19. 6. Jos. 20. 3, 5, 6 2 Sa. 14. 7.
[m] De. 4. 41. Jos. 20. 8.
[n] ch. 15. 16. Le. 24. 22. Ro. 3. 29. Ga. 3. 28. Col. 3. 11.
[o] Ex. 21. 12.. 14. Le. 24. 17.
[‡] *with a stone of the hand*
[p] De. 19. 6, 12. Jos. 20. 3, 5.
[q] Ge. 4. 8. 2 Sa. 3. 27. 20. 10. 1 Ki. 2. 31, 32
[r] De. 19. 11. 1 Sa. 18. 10, 11, 25. Ps. 57. 4. 6. Mar. 6. 19, 24 ..26. 12. 12. 14. 1. Ac. 23. 21.
[s] Jos. 14. 3, 4. 21. 2. Exo. 45. 1, &c. 48. 8, &c.
[t] ver. 12. Jos. 20. 6.
[u] Ex. 29. 7. Le. 4. 3. 21. 10.
[v] De. 4. 41. Jos. 20. 2, 7. 21. 3, &c. Ps. 9. 9. 18. 1, 2. 62. 7, 8. Mat. 11. 28.
[§] *above them ye shall give.*
[‖] *no blood shall be to him.* Ex. 22. 2.

the Levites *shall be* [o] forty and eight cities: them *shall ye give* with their suburbs.

8 And the cities which ye shall give *shall be* [e] of the possession of the children of Israel: [d] from *them that have* many ye shall give many; but from *them that have* few ye shall give few: every one shall give *of* his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which [a] he inheriteth.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [e] When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

11 Then [f] ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you; that the slayer may flee thither, which killeth any person [†] at unawares.

12 And [k] they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the avenger; that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment.

13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have for refuge.

14 Ye [l] shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan, *which* shall be cities of refuge.

15 These six cities shall be a refuge, *both* for the children of Israel, and [m] for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them: that every one that killeth any person unawares may flee thither.

16 And [n] if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

17 And if he smite him [‡] with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

18 Or [o] if he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

19 The [p] revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

20 But [q] if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him [r] by laying of wait, that he die;

21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote *him* shall surely be put to death; *for* he *is* a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.

22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait,

23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing *him* not, and cast *it* upon him, that he die, and *was* not his enemy, neither sought his harm:

24 Then [t] the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments:

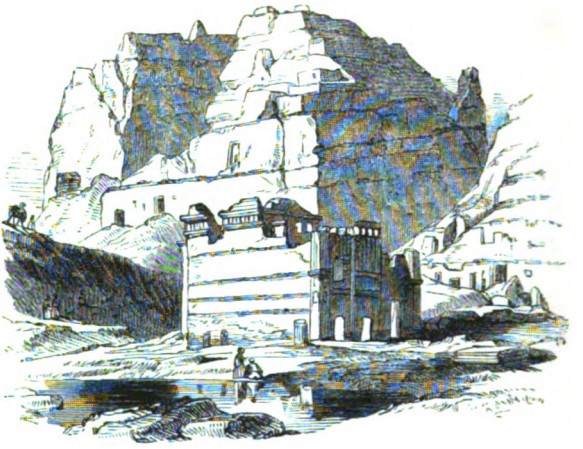
25 And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, [u] which was anointed with the holy oil.

26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled;

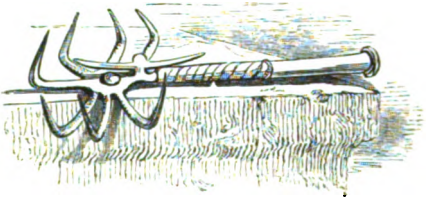
27 And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; [‖] he shall not be guilty of blood:

28 Because he should have remained in

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CITADEL OF EDOM.—*La Borde.*—Num. xxi. 4.



FLESH-HOOKS.—*Burder and Calmet.*—Num. iv. 14.



RUINS OF AMMON.—*La Borde.*—Num. xxi. 24.

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the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

29 So these *things* shall be for [b] a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

30 Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by the [c] mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person *to cause him* to die.

31 Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which *is* [e] guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to death.

32 And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.

33 So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye *are:* for blood [f] it defileth the land: and [§] the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but [h] by the blood of him that shed it.

34 Defile [k] not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for [i] I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel.

CHAP. XXXVI.

AND the chief fathers of the families of the [m]children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel:

2 And they said, [n] The LORD commanded my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot to the children of Israel: and [p] my lord was commanded by the LORD to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.

3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put to the inheritance of the tribe [q] whereunto they are received: so

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[a] Le. 25. 10.
[b] ch. 27. 11.
[c] De. 17. 6. 19. 15. Mat. 18. 16. 2 Co. 13. 1. He. 10. 28.
[d] ch. 27. 7.
[e] *guilty to die.*
[†] *be wives.*
[g] ver. 12. Ge. 24. 3. 1 Co. 7. 39. 2 Co. 6. 14.
[f] Ps. 106. 38. Mi. 4. 11.
[‡] *cleave to the, &c.*
[i] 1 Ki. 21. 3.
[§] *there can be no expiation for the land.*
[h] Ge. 9. 6.
[k] 1 Ch. 22. 22.
[h] Le. 18. 25. De. 21. 23.
[l] Ex. 29. 45, 46.
[m] ch. 26. 29.
[n] ch. 27. 1.
[o] ch. 26. 55. 33. 54. Jos. 17. 3.
[p] ch. 27. 1, 7. Jos. 17. 3, 4.
[‖] to some that were *of the families.*
[r] ch. 26. 3. 33. 50.
[q] *unto whom they shall be.*

shall it be taken from the lot of our inheritance.

4 And when the [r] jubile of the children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.

5 And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the LORD, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph [s] hath said well.

6 This *is* the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them [†] marry to whom they think best; [t] only to the family of the tribe of their fathers shall they marry.

7 So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe: for every one of the children of Israel shall [‡] keep [§] himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

8 And [i] every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may enjoy every man the inheritance of his fathers.

9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from *one* tribe to another tribe; but every one of the tribes of the children of Israel shall keep himself to his own inheritance.

10 Even as the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad:

11 For [u] Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's brothers' sons:

12 *And* they were married [‖] into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.

13 These *are* the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of Israel [v] in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. XXI. 4.—EDOM, also called Idumea, was situated to the south of Judea and of Moab, and bordered on the east with Arabia Petræa, extending southward to the eastern gulph of the Red Sea, and skirting it on the north. Edom signifies red, and gave name to the Red Sea. Its name was derived from its being inhabited by the descendants of Esau, Gen. xxvi. Edom was also called Edom, on account of his having sold his birthright for Jacob's red soup, Gen. xxv., xxxvi. The Edomites were great enemies to Israel, Num. xx. and Ps. cxxxvii. On account of its wickedness the land was doomed to destruction, and is to this day the scene of extraordinary ruins, among which are those of Petra, formerly a strong capital named Selah, whose buildings were cut in the solid rocks: see Jer. xlix. and Joel iii. During the Babylonish captivity, when the land of Judea lay desolate, a party of the Idumeans went off and took possession of as much of the south-western part of it as had constituted the whole of the inheritance of the tribe of Simeon, and half that of the tribe of Judah: and this part of the land of Judea, together with part of Arabia, being contiguous to it, constituted the canton of Palestine that was designated Idumea. They were subsequently attacked by the Maccabees, and compelled to adopt the laws and customs of the Jews, and henceforth governed by a succession of Jewish prefects. Herod Antipater was made procurator of all Judea, and Herod the Great became king.

CH. XXI. 24.—AMMON. The Ammonites were descendants of the incestuous offspring of Lot. The country they once inhabited is situated to the east of Palestine, and is now possessed partly by the Arabs, and partly by the Turks. The Ammonites were great foes to Israel, and often invaded their land. Jephthah repulsed them, and took twenty of their cities; David rendered them tributary, and they were wholly subdued by Jotham. As the enemies of God's people, the Ammonites were denounced in prophecy: "Rabbah," the chief city, "shall be a desolate heap," Jer. xlix. 2; "I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couching-place for flocks;" "The Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations," Neh. xxv. 5, 10. All this has been literally fulfilled. For more than a thousand years the capital of Ammon, strong by nature and by art, remained in its strength; and now for a thousand years it has passed away—its name continues, but it is a desolate heap. The view given in of a part of its ruins, and sufficiently proves its ancient splendour. Israel, though scattered, still exists, but no remains of the Ammonites can be found—they are "not remembered among the nations." "Every word of God is true." So true are his prophecies, and we may equally trust his promises, for they are all "yea and amen, in Christ Jesus."

CH. IV. 14.—FLESH HOOKS. These were hooked instruments for drawing out the meat used in sacrifice, that is, for picking up and replacing any portion of the sacrifice fallen out of the fire or off from the altar. The Egyptian monuments have furnished us with specimens of such hooks as were used by the Egyptians, and doubtless there was a strong resemblance between theirs and those used by the Israelitish priests.

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The Fifth Book of MOSES, called DEUTERONOMY.

This name, which was given by the seventy Greek interpreters, signifies 'the second law,' it being a repetition of laws before delivered.

CHAP. I.

THESE *be* the words which Moses spake unto all Israel [a] on this side Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against [b] the Red *sea*, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.

2 (*There are* eleven days' *journey* from Horeb by the way of mount Seir [d] unto Kadesh-barnea.)

3 And it came to pass [e] in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first *day* of the month, *that* Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;

4 After [f] he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth [i] in Edrei:

5 On this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying,

6 The LORD our God spake unto us [k] in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long [l] enough in this mount:

7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto [†] all *the places* nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.

8 Behold, I have † set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD [n] sware unto your fathers, [o] Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.

9 ¶ And [p] I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone:

10 The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, [q] ye *are* this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.

11 (The [r] LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye *are*, and bless you, [s] as he hath promised you!)

12 How [t] can I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?

13 ‖ Take [u] you wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.

14 And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken is good *for us* to do.

15 So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, [x] and [y] made them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.

16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear *the causes* between your brethren, and [z] judge righteously between *every* man and his [A] brother, and the stranger *that is* with him.

17 Ye [B] shall not † respect persons in judgment; *but* ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for [C] the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, [D] bring *it* unto me, and I will hear it.

18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.

19 ¶ And when we departed from Horeb, [E] we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and [F] we came to Kadesh-barnea.

20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.

21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up *and* possess *it*, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; [G] fear not, neither be discouraged.

22 ¶ And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.

23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:

24 And [H] they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out.

25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, [I] *It is* a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.

26 Notwithstanding [J] ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God:

27 And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because the LORD [K] hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us.

28 Whither shall we go up? our brethren have § discouraged our heart, saying, [L] The people *is* greater and taller than we; the cities *are* great and walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.

29 Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.

30 The [M] LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;

31 And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God [N] bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.

32 Yet in this thing [O] ye did not believe the LORD your God,

33 Who [P] went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day.

34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, [Q] and sware, saying,

35 Surely [R] there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers,

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[a] Ex. 16. 22, 26.
[b] Jos. 9. 1, 10. 22. 4, 7.
[c] or, *Zuph*.
[d] Nu. 10. 12. Je. 2. 6.
[e] ch. 9. 23. Nu. 13. 26.
[f] Nu. 33. 38.
[g] Nu. 13. 26.
[h] Nu. 21. 24, 33
[i] Jos. 1. 9. He. 13. 6.
[k] Jos. 13. 12.
[l] Ex. 3. 1.
[m] Ex. 19. 1. Nu. 13. 23, 24.
[†] *all his neighbours* ‡ *given*.
[n] Nu. 13. 27.
[o] Ge. 12. 7. 15. 18. 17. 7, 8. 28. 13.
[p] Nu. 14. 1, 4. Ps. 106. 24, 25.
[q] Ex. 18. 18. Nu. 11. 14. ch. 9. 28.
[r] Ge. 15. 5. 22. 17.
[s] 2 Sa. 24. 3.
[§] *melted*. Jos. 2. 11.
[t] Nu. 11. 28. 31. 33.
[x] Ge. 22. 17. 26. 4. Ex. 32. 13.
[y] 1 Ki. 3. 8, 9. 2 Co. 3. 5.
‖ *Give*.
[z] Ex. 18. 21. Nu. 11. 16, 17
[a] Ex. 14. 14. 23. Ne. 4. 20.
[b] ch. 32. 11, 12. Ex. 19. 4. Is. 46. 3, 4. 63. 9. Ho. 11. 3. Ac. 13. 18.
[c] Ex. 18. 25.
[d] *gave*. Jude 5.
[e] Ex. 13. 21. Ps. 78. 14.
[f] Exe. 20. 6.
[g] ch. 16. 18. Ps. 58. 1. Jno. 7. 24.
[A] Le. 24. 22.
[i] ch. 2. 14, 15.
[k] Le. 19. 15.
[B] 1 Sa. 16. 7. Pr. 24. 23. Lu. 20. 21. Ro. 2. 11. Ep. 6. 9. Ja. 2. 1.
[†] *acknowledge faces*.
[C] Nu. 14. 22, 23. Ps. 95. 11. He. 3. 8, 11.
[D] 2 Ch. 19. 6.

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35 Save [a] Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children, because he hath [b] wholly followed the LORD.

37 Also [d] the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in thither.

38 *But* Joshua the son of Nun, *f* which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: [f] encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.

39 Moreover your little ones, which [g] ye said should be a prey, and your children, which in that day *f* had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it.

40 But *as for* you, turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.

41 Then ye answered and said unto me, [m] We have sinned against the LORD, we will go up and fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded us. And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to go up into the hill.

42 And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them, [r] Go not up, neither fight; [s] for I *am* not among you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies.

43 So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, [t] but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD, and [ll] went presumptuously up into the hill.

44 And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and chased you, [u] as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, *even* unto Hormah.

45 And ye returned and wept before the LORD; but the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.

46 So [x] ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode *there*.

CHAP. II.

THEN we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, [a] as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.

2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying,

3 Ye have compassed this mountain [b] long enough: turn you northward.

4 And command thou the people, saying, [c] Ye *are* to pass through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:

5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, [d] no, not so much as a foot breadth; [A] because I have given mount Seir unto Esau *for* a possession.

6 Ye shall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat: and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

7 For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: [k] these forty years the LORD thy God *hath been* with thee; thou hast lacked nothing.

8 And [m] when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from [e] Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

9 And the LORD said unto me, ‡ Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land *for* a possession; because I have given [f] Ar unto [g] the children of Lot *for* a possession.

10 The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as [h] the Anakims;

11 Which also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.

12 The [A] Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of Esau † succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their ‡ stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which the LORD gave unto them.

13 Now rise up, *said I*, and get you over [k] the § brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.

14 And the space in which we came [l] from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, *was* thirty and eight years; [m] until all the generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host, [e] as the LORD sware unto them.

15 For indeed the [P] hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.

16 [q] So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people,

17 That the LORD spake unto me, saying,

18 Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day:

19 And *when* thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon *any* possession; because I have given it unto [r] the children of Lot *for* a possession.

20 (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them [s] Zamzummims;

21 A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:

22 As he did to the children of Esau, [t] which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:

23 And [d] the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, *even* unto [e] Azzah, *f* the Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)

24 ¶ Rise ye up, take your journey, and [f] pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: † begin to possess *it*, and contend with him in battle.

25 This [i] day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations *that are* under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

26 [u] And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon [l] with words of peace, saying,

27 Let [n] me pass through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn unto the right hand nor to the left.

28 Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet;

[a] Nu. 14. 24, 30. Jos. 14. 9.
[b] *fulfilled* to go *after*.
[c] Nu. 21. 28.
[d] Ge. 19. 38, 37.
[e] ch. 3. 26. 4. 21. 34. 4. Nu. 20. 12. 27. 14. Ps. 106. 32.
[f] ch. 9. 2. Nu. 13. 22, 30.
[g] Ex. 24. 13. 33. 11. 1 Sa. 16. 22.
[h] ch. 31. 7, 23. Nu. 27. 18, 19
[A] Ge. 14. 6. 36. 20.
[i] Nu. 14. 3. † *inherited them.*
[j] Is. 7. 15, 16. Jon. 4. 11. Ro. 9. 11.
‡ or, *room.*
[k] Nu. 21. 12.
§ or, *valley.*
[l] Nu. 13. 26.
[m] Pr. 19. 3. Ep. 2. 3.
[n] Nu. 14. 33. 26. 64.
[e] ch. 1. 34, 35. Eze. 20. 15.
[P] Ps. 78. 33. 106. 26.
[q] Nu. 14. 42. † 1 Sa. 4. 2, 10. Is. 20. 17. Ho. 9. 12.
[r] Ro. 8. 7, 8.
[ll] *ye were presumptuous and went up.*
[u] Ps. 118. 12.
[x] Ge. 19. 38.
[a] Nu. 13. 25 20. 1, 22. Ju. 11. 17.
[y] Ge. 14. 5. *Zuzims.*
[z] ch. 1. 40.
[c] Ge. 36. 8.
[b] ver. 7. 14.
[d] Nu. 20. 14.
[d] Jos. 13. 3.
[e] Je. 25. 20.
[f] Ge. 10. 14. Am. 9. 7.
[e] *even to the treading of the sole of the foot.*
[g] Nu. 21. 13, 14 Ju. 11. 18, 21.
[A] Ge. 36. 8. Jos. 24. 4.
† *begin, possess.*
[i] ch. 11. 25. Ex. 15. 14, 15 Jos. 2. 9, 10.
[h] ch. 9. 2. 4.
[l] ch. 20. 10.
[m] Ju. 11. 18.
[n] Nu. 21. 21, 22 Ju. 11. 19.
[l] 1 Ki. 9. 26.
‡ or, *Use no hostility against Moab.*

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39 (As [a] the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us.

40 But [b] Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for [c] the LORD thy God *f* hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as *appeareth* this day.

41 And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have begun to [d] give Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land.

42 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.

43 And [e] the LORD our God delivered him before us; and [f] we smote him, and his sons, and all his people.

44 And we took all his cities at that time, and [g] utterly destroyed [h] the men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:

45 Only the cattle we took for a prey unto ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took.

46 From [i] Aroer, which *is* by the brink of the river of Arnon, and *from* the city that *is* by the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: [k] the LORD our God delivered all unto us:

47 Only unto the land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, *nor* unto any place of the river [l] Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains, nor unto whatsoever the LORD our God forbad us.

CHAP. III.

THEN we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and [a] Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.

2 And the LORD said unto me, Fear him not: for I will deliver him, and all his people, and his land, into thy hand; and thou shalt do unto him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.

3 So the LORD our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining.

4 And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them, threescore cities, *f* all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

5 All these cities *were* fenced with high walls, gates, and bars; beside unwalled towns a great many.

6 And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king [a] of Heshbon, utterly destroying the men, women, and children, of every city.

7 But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves.

8 And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites the land that *was* on this side Jordan, from the river of Arnon unto mount Hermon;

9 (*Which* [a] Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion; and the Amorites call it [b] Shenir;)

10 All the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all [a] Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

11 For [a] only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of [b] giants; behold, his bedstead *was* a bedstead of iron; *is* it not in [c] Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits *was* the length thereof, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.

12 And this land, *which* we possessed at that time, [a] from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and [d] the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites.

13 And [a] the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, *being* the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of giants.

14 Jair [a] the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob [b] unto the coasts of Geshuri and Maachathi; and [c] called them after his own name, Bashan-havoth-jair, unto this day.

15 And I gave Gilead unto Machir.

16 And unto the Reubenites [a] and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto the river Jabbok, [b] *which* *is* the border of the children of Ammon;

17 The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast *thereof*, from [a] Chinnereth even unto the sea of the plain, [b] *even* the salt sea, [c] under Ashdoth-pisgah eastward.

18 ¶ And I commanded you at that time, saying, The LORD your God hath given you this land to possess it: [a] ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all *that are* meet for the war.

19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (*for* I know that ye have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you;

20 Until the LORD have given rest unto your brethren, as well as unto you, and *until* they also possess the land which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and *then* shall ye [a] return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.

21 ¶ And [a] I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto these two kings: so shall the LORD do unto all the kingdoms whither thou passest.

22 Ye shall not fear them: for [a] the LORD your God he shall fight for you.

23 And [a] I besought the LORD at that time, saying,

24 O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant [a] thy greatness, and thy mighty hand: for [b] what God *is there* in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might?

25 I pray thee, let me go over, and see [a] the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

26 But the LORD [a] was wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear me: and the LORD said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto me of this matter.

27 Get thee up into the top of [a] Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold *it* with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

28 But [a] charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see.

29 So we abode in [a] the valley over against Beth-peor.

CHAP. IV.

NOW therefore hearken, O Israel, unto [a] the statutes and unto the judgments,

[a] ch. 23. 3, 4. Nu. 20. 18, 19 Ju. 11. 17, 18.
[b] ch. 2. 30. Jos. 12. 2.
[c] Nu. 21. 33, 34
[d] Nu. 32. 33. Jos. 12. 6. 13. 8, &c.
[e] Jos. 11. 20.
[f] Ex. 4. 21.
[g] Jos. 13. 29.
[h] ch. 1. 8.
[i] 1 Ch. 2. 22.
[k] 2 Sa. 3. 3. 10. 6.
[l] Nu. 32. 41.
[m] ch. 7. 2. 20. 16.
[n] ch. 29. 7.
[o] 2 Sa. 24. 5.
[p] ch. 7. 2, 26. Le. 27. 28.
[q] *every city of men, and women, and little ones.*
[r] Nu. 21. 24. Jos. 12. 2. 3.
[s] Nu. 34. 11.
[t] Ge. 14. 3.
[u] ch. 3. 12. 4. 48. Jos. 13. 9.
† or, *under the springs of Pisgah, or, the hill.*
[v] Nu. 32. 20, &c.
[w] Ps. 44. 3.
‡ *sons of power.*
[x] Ge. 32. 22.
[y] ch. 29. 7. Nu. 21. 33, &c.
[z] Jos. 22. 4.
[a] Nu. 27. 18.
[b] ch. 1. 30. 20. 4. Ex. 14. 14.
[c] 2 Co. 12. 8, 9.
[d] ch. 11. 2.
[e] 1 Ki. 4. 13.
[f] Ex. 15. 11. 2 Sa. 7. 22. Ps. 71. 19. 86. 8. 89. 6, 8.
[a] ch. 4. 42. Ex. 3. 8.
[b] ch. 2. 24. Ps. 135. 10, 12 136. 19, 21
[c] ch. 1. 7. 31. 2. 32. 51, 52. 34. 4. Nu. 20. 12.
[d] Ps. 105. 32
§ or, *the hill.*
[e] ch. 4. 48, 49. Ps. 29. 6.
[f] Nu. 32. 18, 23.
[g] 1 Ch. 5. 23.
[h] Jos. 12. 3. 13. 11.
[a] ch. 31. 6.
[b] Am. 2. 9.
[c] Ge. 14. 5.
[d] 2 Sa. 12. 26. Je. 49. 2. Eze. 21. 20.
[e] Eze. 20. 11. Ro. 10. 5.

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which I teach you, for to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

2 Ye [a] shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

3 Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of [b] Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you.

4 But ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God *are* alive every one of you this day.

5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

6 Keep therefore and do *them*; for this is [d] your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people.

7 For [e] what nation *is there so* great, who hath [m] God *so* nigh unto them, as the LORD our God *is* in all *things that* we call upon him *for*?

8 And what nation *is there so* great, that hath statutes and judgments *so* righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

9 Only take heed to thyself, and [g] keep thy soul diligently, [r] lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but [s] teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;

10 *Specially* [t] the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and *that* they may teach their children.

11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the [†] midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness.

12 And [u] the LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; [§] only [x] *ye heard* a voice.

13 And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, *even* [y] ten commandments; and [z] he wrote them upon two tables of stone.

14 ¶ And [a] the LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.

15 Take [b] ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day *that* the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:

16 Lest ye [c] corrupt *yourselves*, and [d] make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, [e] the likeness of male or female,

17 The likeness of any beast that *is* on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air,

18 The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

19 And lest thou [f] lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, *even* [g] all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath [h] divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

20 But the LORD hath taken you, and [i] brought you forth out of the iron furnace, *even* out of Egypt, [k] to be unto him a people of inheritance, as *ye are* this day.

21 Furthermore [l] the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and sware that I should not go over Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance:

22 But [m] I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye shall go over, and possess that good land.

23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing*, which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

24 For [n] the LORD thy God *is* a consuming fire, *even* [o] a jealous God.

25 ¶ When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt *yourselves*, and make a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing*, and [p] shall do evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger:

26 I [q] call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong *your* days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.

27 And the LORD [r] shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.

28 And [s] there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, [t] which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

29 But [u] if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find *him*, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things [x] are come upon thee, [y] *even* in the latter days, if thou [z] turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;

31 (For the LORD thy God *is* [a] a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

32 For [b] ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and *ask* [c] from the one side of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing *is*, or hath been heard like it?

33 Did [d] *ever* people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live?

34 Or hath God assayed to go *and* take him a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by temptations, [e] by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

35 Unto thee it was shewed, that thou

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[a] Ge. 2. 1. 2 Ki. 17. 16. 21. 3.
[b] Jos. 11. 4. Pr. 30. 6. Ec. 12. 13. Re. 22. 18, 19
[c] or, imparted.
[d] 1 Ki. 8. 51. Je. 11. 4.
[e] Ex. 19. 5.
[f] Nu. 25. 4, &c. Jos. 22. 17. Ps. 106. 28, 29
[g] Nu. 30. 12.
[h] 2 Pe. 1. 13, 15
[i] Job 28. 28. Ps. 19. 7. 111. 10. Pr. 1. 7.
[k] Ex. 24. 17. Is. 33. 14. He. 12. 29.
[l] 2 Sa. 7. 23.
[m] Ex. 20. 5. Is 42. 8.
[n] Ps. 46. 1. 145. 18. 148. 14. Is. 55. 6.
[o] 2 Ki. 17. 17, &c.
[p] Pr. 4. 23.
[q] ch. 30. 18, 19. Is. 1. 2. Mi. 6. 2.
[r] Pr. 1. 3.
[s] Ge. 18. 19. Ps. 78. 5, 6. Ep. 6. 4.
[t] Ex. 19. 9, 16. 20. 18. He. 12. 18, 19
[u] Le. 26. 33. Ne. 1. 8.
[v] 1 Sa. 26. 19. Je. 16. 13.
[w] Ps. 115. 4, 5. 135. 15, 16. Is. 44. 9. 46. 7.
[x] Le. 26. 39, 40. 2 Ch. 15. 4. Ne. 1. 9. Is. 55. 6, 7. Je. 29. 12, 14
[†] heart.
[a] ch. 5. 4, 22.
[z] have found thee.
Ex. 18. 8.
[a] Ge. 49. 1. Je. 23. 20. Ho. 3. 5.
[b] Joel 2. 12.
[§] save a voice.
[c] Ex. 20. 22. 1 Ki. 19. 12.
[d] 2 Ch. 30. 9. Ne. 9. 31. Ps. 116. 5. Jon. 4. 2.
[e] Ex. 34. 28.
[f] Ex. 24. 12. 31. 18.
[g] Ex. 21. 1.
[h] Job 8. 8.
[i] Jos. 23. 11.
[k] Mat. 24. 31.
[l] Is. 40. 18.
[m] Ex. 24. 11. 33. 20.
[n] Ex. 32. 7.
[o] Ex. 20. 4, 5.
[p] Ro. 1. 23.
[q] Ex. 7. 3.
[r] Job 31. 25, 27

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mightest know that the LORD he *is* God; [a] *there is* none else beside him.

36 Out [b] of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee: and upon earth he shewed thee his great fire; and thou heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.

37 And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and [c] brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt;

38 To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou *art*, to bring thee in, to give thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day.

39 Know therefore this day, and consider *it* in thine heart, that [d] the LORD he *is* God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: *there is* none else.

40 Thou [e] shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, [f] that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong *thy* days upon the earth, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever.

41 ¶ Then Moses [g] severed three cities on this side Jordan toward the sun rising;

42 That [h] the slayer might flee thither, which should kill his neighbour unawares, and hated him not in times past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live:

43 *Namely*, [i] Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth in Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites.

44 ¶ And this *is* the law which Moses set before the children of Israel:

45 These *are* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which Moses spake unto the children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,

46 On this side Jordan, [k] in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel [l] smote, after they were come forth out of Egypt:

47 And they possessed his land, and the land [m] of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the Amorites, which *were* on this side Jordan toward the sun rising;

48 From [n] Aroer, which *is* by the bank of the river Arnon, even unto mount Sion, which *is* [o] Hermon,

49 And all the plain on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pisgah.

CHAP. V.

AND Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and [†] keep, and do them.

2 The [a] LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.

3 The LORD [b] made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, *even* us, who *are* all of us here alive this day.

4 The [c] LORD talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,

5 (I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of the LORD: for [d] ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying,

6 ¶ I [e] *am* the LORD thy God, which

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[a] 1 Sa. 2. 2. Is. 45. 5, 18. 22. Mar. 12. 29, 32.
[b] *servants.*
[c] Ne. 9. 13. He. 12. 18.
[d] Ex. 13. 3, 14.
[e] Ex. 34. 7. Mat. 23. 35, 36. Ro. 11. 28, 29.
[f] Is. 1. 18, 19. Je. 32. 18. Da. 9. 4. 1 Jno. 1. 7, 9.
[g] Jos. 2. 11.
[h] Le. 19. 12. Mat. 5. 33.
[i] Le. 22. 31.
[k] ch. 5. 16. 6. 3, 18. 12. 25, 28. 22. 7. Ep. 6. 3.
[l] Is. 56. 6, 7. 58. 13, 14.
[m] Eze. 20. 12.
[n] Nu 35. 6, 14.
[o] ch. 1. 2. Ex. 16. 29, 30. He. 4. 4.
[p] ch. 19. 4.
[q] Jos. 20. 8.
[r] ch. 15. 15.
[s] ch. 4. 34, 37.
[t] Le. 19. 2. Ep. 6. 2, 3. Col 3. 20.
[u] ch. 3. 29.
[v] ch. 4. 40.
[w] ch. 1. 4. Nu. 21. 24.
[x] Mat. 5. 21.
[y] Lu. 18. 20. Ja. 2. 11.
[z] ch. 3. 3, 4. Nu. 21. 35.
[a] Ro. 13. 9.
[b] ch. 2. 36.
[c] Mi. 2 7. Hab. 2. 9. Lu. 12. 15. Ro. 7. 7. 13. 9.
[d] Ps. 133. 3.
[e] Ex. 21. 12. 31. 18.

† *keep to do them.*

[f] Ex. 20. 18, 19
[g] Ex. 19. 5.
[h] Mat. 13. 17. He 8. 9.
[i] ch 34. 10 Ex. 19. 9, 19. 20. 22.
[k] Ex. 19. 19.
[l] Ex. 20. 1. Ga. 3. 19.
[m] ch. 4. 33. Ju. 13. 22.
[n] Ex. 19. 16. 20. 18. 24. 2.
[o] ch. 18. 16.

‡ *add to hear*

[p] Ex. 20. 2, &c. Le. 26. 1. Ps. 81. 10. Ho. 13. 4. Ro. 3. 29. 10. 12.

brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of [o] bondage.

7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee *any* graven image, *or* any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, [q] visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me,

10 And [r] shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.

11 Thou [s] shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

12 Keep [t] the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.

13 Six [u] days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:

14 But the seventh day *is* the [w] sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.

15 And [x] remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and *that* the LORD thy God brought thee out thence [y] through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.

16 ¶ Honour [z] thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; [a] that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

17 Thou [b] shalt not kill.

18 Neither [c] shalt thou commit adultery.

19 Neither [d] shalt thou steal.

20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

21 Neither [e] shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any *thing* that *is* thy neighbour's.

22 ¶ These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And [f] he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

23 And [g] it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, *even* all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;

24 And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and [h] we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he [i] liveth.

25 Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: [k] if we ‡ hear the voice of the LORD our God any more, then we shall die.

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26 For who *is there of* all flesh, that hath heard the voice of [a] the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we *have*, and lived?

27 Go thou near, and hear all that the LORD our God shall say: and [b] speak thou unto us all that the LORD our God shall speak unto thee; and we will hear *it*, and do *it*.

28 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and the LORD said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken unto thee: [c] they have well said all that they have spoken.

29 O [d] that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and [e] keep all my commandments always, [f] that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

30 Go say to them, Get you into your tents again.

31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, [g] and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do *them* in the land which I give them to possess it.

32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: [h] ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

33 Ye shall walk in [i] all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, [k] and *that it may be* well with you, and *that* ye may prolong *your* days in the land which ye shall possess.

CHAP. VI.

NOW these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do *them* in the land whither ye § go to possess it:

2 That [l] thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; [m] and that thy days may be prolonged.

3 ¶ Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it*; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, [n] as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in [o] the land that floweth with milk and honey.

4 Hear, [p] O Israel: The LORD our God *is one* LORD:

5 And [q] thou shalt love the LORD thy God [r] with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

6 And [s] these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And [t] thou shalt ‖ teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And [u] thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

9 And [v] thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

10 And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, [w] which thou buildedst not,

11 And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full;

12 *Then* beware lest thou *forget* the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of [x] bondage.

13 Thou shalt [y] fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and [z] shalt swear by his name.

14 Ye shall not [a] go after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you;

15 (For [b] the LORD thy God *is* a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

16 ¶ Ye [c] shall not tempt the LORD your God, [d] as ye tempted *him* in Massah.

17 Ye shall [e] diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

18 And thou shalt do *that which is* right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers,

19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

20 *And* [f] when thy son asketh thee † in time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you?

21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand:

22 And [g] the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and ‡ sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes:

23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.

24 And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, [h] for our good always, that [i] he might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day.

25 And [k] it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

CHAP. VII.

WHEN the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, [l] the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

2 And when the LORD thy God shall [m] deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, *and* [n] utterly destroy them; [o] thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

3 Neither [p] shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall [q] destroy their altars, and break down

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[a] Ps. 42. 2. 84. 2. Mat. 26. 63. Ac. 14. 15. 2 Co. 6. 16. 1 Th. 1. 9.
• *bondmen, or, servants*
[b] He. 12. 19.
[c] Mat. 4. 10.
[d] Ps. 63. 11. Is. 45. 23. 65. 16. Jo. 4. 2.
[e] Je. 26. 6.
[f] ch. 18. 17.
[g] Ex. 20. 5.
[h] ch. 32. 29. Ps. 81. 13. Is. 48. 18. Mat. 23. 37. Lu. 19. 42.
[i] ch. 11. 1.
[k] ch. 4. 40.
[l] Lu. 4. 12.
[m] 1 Co. 10. 9.
[n] Ps. 119. 4.
[o] Ge. 3. 19.
[p] Pr. 4. 27.
[q] Ex. 13. 14.
† *to morrow.*
[r] Je. 7. 23. Lu. 1. 6.
[s] 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[t] Ps. 135. 9.
‡ *evil.*
§ *pass over.*
[u] ch. 10. 12, 13. Ps. 111. 10. 136. Ec. 12. 13.
[v] Pr. 3. 1, 2.
[x] Job 36. 7, 8. Je. 32. 39.
[y] Ps. 41. 2. Lu. 1. 68.
[z] Le. 18. 5. 1 Co. 7. 19.
[a] Ge. 15. 5. 22. 17.
[b] Ex. 3. 8.
[c] Is. 43. 8. Mar. 12. 29, 32. Jno. 17. 3. 1 Co. 8. 4, 6.
[d] Lu. 10. 27.
[e] 2 Ki. 23. 25.
[f] Ge. 18. 19, &c.
[g] Ps. 37. 31. 40. 8. 119. 11, 98. Is. 51. 7.
[h] Ps. 78. 4...6. Ep. 6. 4.
‖ *whet, or, sharpen.*
[i] ch. 23. 14.
[k] Le. 27. 28, 29. Nu. 33. 52. Jos. 11. 11, 12
[l] Ex. 13. 9, 16. Pr. 6. 21. 7. 3.
[m] Ex. 23. 32. Ju. 2. 2.
[n] Jos. 23. 12. 1 Ki. 11. 2. Ezr. 9. 2.
[o] Is. 57. 8.
[p] Jos. 24. 13. Ps. 105. 44.
[q] Ex. 34. 13.

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their [o] images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.

6 For [a] thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God: [b] the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth.

7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye *were* the fewest of all people:

8 But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep [c] the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, [d] hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is* God, [e] the faithful God, [f] which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

10 And [g] repayeth them that hate him to their face, *to* destroy them: [h] he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.

11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them.

12 ¶ Wherefore [i] it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep unto thee [j] the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers:

13 And he will [k] love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: [l] he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

14 Thou shalt be blessed above all people: [m] there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.

15 And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the [n] evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all *them* that hate thee.

16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliver thee; [o] thine eye shall have no pity upon them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that *will be* [p] a snare unto thee.

17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations *are* more than I; how can I [q] dispossess them?

18 Thou [r] shalt not be afraid of them: *but* shalt well [s] remember what the LORD thy God did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt;

19 The [t] great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.

20 Moreover [u] the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed.

21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God *is* among you, [v] a mighty God and terrible.

22 And the LORD thy God will ‖ put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.

23 But the LORD thy God shall deliver them † unto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.

24 And [c] he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name [d] from under heaven: [e] there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.

25 The graven images of their gods [f] shall ye burn with fire: thou [h] shalt not desire the silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* unto thee, lest thou be [k] snared therein: for it is [l] an abomination to the LORD thy God.

26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: *but* thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; [f] for it *is* a cursed thing.

CHAP. VIII.

ALL the commandments which I command thee this day [a] shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.

2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God [b] led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, *and* [c] to prove thee, [d] to know what *was* in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.

3 And he humbled thee, and [e] suffered thee to hunger, and [f] fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth [g] not live by bread only, but by every *word* that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

4 Thy [h] raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.

5 Thou [i] shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, *so* the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.

6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, [k] to walk in his ways, and to fear him.

7 For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, [l] a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills;

8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land § of oil olive, and honey;

9 A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any *thing* in it; a land [m] whose stones *are* iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass.

10 When [n] thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the LORD thy God for the good land which he hath given thee.

11 Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day:

12 Lest [o] when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt *therein*;

13 And *when* thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied;

14 Then [p] thine heart be lifted up, and thou [q] forget the LORD thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;

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[o] *statues, or, pillars.*
[a] Ex. 19. 5, 6. Ps. 50. 5. Je. 2. 3.
[b] Am. 3. 2. Ps. 2. 9.
† *before thy face.* ver. 2.
[c] Jos. 12 1, &c
[d] Ex. 17. 14.
[e] Jos. 23. 9.
[f] Ps. 105. 8. 10. Lu. 1. 55. 72, 73.
[g] Ex. 32. 20. 1 Ch. 14. 12.
[h] Jos. 7. 1, 21.
[i] Ex. 13. 3, 14.
Ju. 8. 27.
Zep. 1. 3.
[j] ch. 17. 1.
[m] Is. 49. 7. 1 Co. 1. 9. 10. 13. 2 Co. 1. 18. 1 Th. 5. 24. 2 Th. 3. 3. 2 Ti. 2. 13. He. 11. 11. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[a] Ex. 23. 6. Ne. 1. 5. Da. 9. 4.
[o] Le. 27. 28. Jos. 6. 17, 18.
[p] Is. 59. 18. Na. 1. 2.
[r] ch. 32. 35.
[s] ch. 4. 1.
[t] Ps. 135. 16. Am. 2. 10.
[u] Le. 26. 3.
‡ *because.*
[v] Ex. 16. 4. 2 Ch. 32. 31. Jno. 2. 25.
[y] Mi. 7. 20.
[a] Ex. 23. 23.
[c] Ex. 16. 12, 14, 35.
[b] Jno. 14. 21.
[c] ch. 28. 4.
[d] Ps. 104. 29. Lu. 4.
[e] Nu. 9. 21.
[f] 2 Sa. 7. 14. Ps. 89. 32. Pr. 3. 12. He. 12. 5, 6. Re. 3. 19.
‖ Ex. 23. 28, &c
[h] ch. 5. 33.
[i] ch. 28. 27, 60. Ex. 9. 14. 15. 26.
[k] Ese. 20. 6.
[l] ch. 25. 12.
[m] Ex. 23. 33. Ju. 8. 27. Ps. 106. 36.
§ *of olive tree of oil.*
[n] Nu. 33. 53.
[o] ch. 33. 25.
[p] ch. 31. 6.
[r] Ps. 105. 5.
[s] ch. 6. 11, 12.
[t] ch. 29. 3.
[u] Pr. 30. 9. Ho. 13. 6.
[v] Ex. 23. 28. Jos. 24. 12
[x] Ne. 1. 5.
[y] 1 Co. 4. 7.
‖ *pluck off.*
[z] Ps. 106. 21.

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15 Who [a] led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, [b] *wherein were* fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, *where there was* no water; [c] who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint;

16 Who fed thee in the wilderness with [d] manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, [f] to do thee good at thy latter end;

17 And [h] thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of *mine* hand hath gotten me this wealth.

18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: [k] for *it is* he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as *it is* this day.

19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, [l] I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.

20 As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, [m] so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the LORD your God.

CHAP. IX.

HEAR, O Israel: Thou *art* to [a] pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations [b] greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and [c] fenced up to heaven,

2 A people great and tall, [d] the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and *of whom* thou hast heard *say*, Who can stand before the children of Anak!

3 Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God *is* he which [e] goeth over before thee; *as a* [f] consuming fire [g] he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy face: [f] so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said unto thee.

4 Speak [h] not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath brought me in to possess this land: but [k] for the wickedness of these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.

5 Not [l] for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart, dost thou go to possess their land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee, and that he may perform [p] the word which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, Abraham, [r] Isaac, and [s] Jacob.

6 Understand therefore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land to possess it for thy righteousness; for thou *art* [t] a stiffnecked people.

7 [u] Remember, *and* forget not, how thou provokedst the LORD thy God to wrath in the wilderness: [y] from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, until ye came unto this place, ye have been rebellious against the LORD.

8 Also [a] in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to have destroyed you.

9 When [b] I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then [c] I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water:

10 And [d] the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger

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[a] Is.63.12..14
Je. 2. 6.
[b] Nu. 21. 6.
Ho. 13. 5.
[c] Ps. 78. 15.
114. 8.
[d] ch. 16. 16.
Ex. 19. 17.
20. 1.
[e] Ex. 16. 15.
[f] Je. 24. 5, 6.
Ho. 12. 11.
[g] Ex. 32. 7.
[h] 1 Co. 4. 7.
[i] Ju. 2. 17.
[k] Pr. 10. 22.
Ho. 2. 8.
[l] Ex. 23. 9.
[m] ch. 31. 27.
2 Ki. 17. 14.
[a] Ex. 32. 10.
[b] ch. 29. 20.
Ps. 9. 5.
109. 13.
[p] Nu. 14. 12.
[r] ch. 30. 16.
[s] Ex. 32. 15.
[t] Ex. 19. 18.
[u] Da. 9. 11, 12.
[y] Ex. 32. 19
[z] Jos. 3. 16.
4. 19.
[y] ch. 4. 38.
11. 23.
[z] ch. 1. 28.
[a] Nu.13.22,28
32,33.
[b] Ex. 34. 28.
Ps. 106. 23.
[c] ch. 31. 2.
Jos. 3. 11.
[d] He. 12. 29.
[e] ch. 7. 23.
[f] Ex. 23. 31.
[g] Ps. 99. 6.
Am. 7. 1..6.
Je. 5. 16..18
[h] ch. 8. 17.
Ro. 11.6,20.
1 Co. 4. 4, 7.
[i] Ex. 32. 20.
Is. 31. 7.
[k] ch. 18. 12.
Ge. 15. 16.
Le. 18. 24, 25
[l] Tit. 3. 5.
[m] Nu.11.1,3,5
[n] Ex. 17. 7.
[o] Nu. 11. 34.
[p] Ge. 12. 7.
13. 15.
15. 7.
17. 8.
[r] Nu. 13. 3.
14. 1.
[s] Ge. 28. 13.
[t] Ps. 106. 24,
25.
[u] Ex. 32. 9.
33. 3.
34. 9.
[y] ch. 31. 27.
[z] Ex. 14. 11.
17. 2.
Nu. 11. 4.
20. 2.
[a] Ex. 32. 11,
&c.
[b] Ex. 32. 4.
Ps. 106. 19.
[c] Ex.24.12,15
[d] Ex. 34. 28.
[e] Ex. 31. 18.
[f] Ge. 41. 57.
1 Sa. 14. 25.
[g] Nu. 14. 16.

of God; and on them *was written* according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire [d] in the day of the assembly.

11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, *that* the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant.

12 And the LORD said unto me, [g] Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted *themselves*; they are [i] quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image.

13 Furthermore [l] the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, [m] *it is* a stiffnecked people:

14 Let [n] me alone, that I may destroy them, and [o] blot out their name from under heaven: [p] and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.

15 So [a] I turned and came down from the mount, and [r] the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant *were* in my two hands.

16 And [s] I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God, *and* had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded you.

17 And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes.

18 And I [t] fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I did neither eat bread, nor drink water, because of all your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you. [u] But the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also.

20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

21 And [y] I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, *and* ground *it* very small, *even* until it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that descended out of the mount.

22 And at [m] Taberah, and at [n] Massah, and at [o] Kibroth-hattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to wrath.

23 Likewise [r] when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and [s] ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice.

24 Ye [t] have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.

25 Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down *at the first*; because the LORD had said he would destroy you.

26 I [z] prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

27 Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin:

28 Lest [a] the land whence thou broughtest us out say, [f] Because the LORD was

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not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.

29 Yet [o] they *are* thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power and by thy stretched out arm.

CHAP. X.

AT that time the LORD said unto me, [a] Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and [b] make thee an ark of wood.

2 And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and [m] thou shalt put them in the ark.

3 And I made an ark *of* [m] shittim wood, and [p] hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.

4 And [q] he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten [o] commandments, [r] which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire [m] in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.

5 And I turned myself and [s] came down from the mount, and [t] put the tables in the ark which I had made; [u] and there they be, as the LORD commanded me.

6 ¶ And the children of Israel took their journey from Beeroth [b] of the children of Jaakan to Mosera: [v] there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead.

7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbath, a land of rivers of waters.

8 ¶ At that time [w] the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, [x] to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and [y] to bless in his name, unto this day.

9 Wherefore [z] Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD *is* his inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him.

10 And I stayed in the mount, according to the §first time, forty days and forty nights; and [a] the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also, *and* the LORD would not destroy thee.

11 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, ‖take *thy* journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land, which I [b] sware unto their fathers to give unto them.

12 ¶ And now, Israel, [c] what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and [d] to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

13 To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

14 Behold, [e] the heaven and the heaven of heavens *is* the LORD's thy God, [f] the earth *also*, with all that therein *is*.

15 Only the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed after them, *even* you above all people, as *it is* this day.

16 Circumcise therefore [g] the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

17 For the LORD your God *is* [h] God of gods, and [i] Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which [k] regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:

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[o] Ps. 68. 5. 146. 9.
[a] Le. 19. 33, 34
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 51. Ne. 1. 10. Ps. 95. 7.
[m] Lu. 4. 8.
[p] Ps. 63. 11.
[q] Ps. 22. 3. Je. 17. 14.
[r] 1 Sa. 12. 24. 2 Sa. 7. 23. Ps. 105. 21, 22
[s] Ex. 34. 1, 2.
[t] Ex. 25. 10.
[u] Ge. 46. 27. Ex. 1. 5. Ac. 7. 14.
[v] Ge. 15. 5.
[m] Ex. 25. 16, 21.
[x] Ex. 37. 1.
[o] ch. 30. 16, 20.
[y] Ex. 34. 4.
[z] Ex. 32. 29.
[o] *words.*
[a] Ex. 20. 1.
[m] Ex. 19. 17.
[p] Ps. 135. 9.
[s] Ex. 34. 29.
[t] Ex. 40. 20.
[u] 1 Ki. 8. 9.
[v] Ex. 14. 27, 28
[b] Nu. 33. 30, 31
[w] Nu. 20. 28.
[d] Nu. 16. 1, 31.
[v] Nu. 3. 6. 9.
[x] Nu. 4. 15.
† or, *living substance which followed them*
[z] Le. 9. 22. Nu. 6. 23.
‡ was *at their feet.*
[b] Exe. 44. 28.
[c] Jos. 1. 6, 7.
§ or, *former days.*
[a] Ex. 33. 17.
[b] Pr. 10. 27.
‖ *go in journey.*
[m] Zec. 14. 18.
[c] Mi. 6. 8.
[d] Mat. 22. 37.
[e] *seeketh.*
[p] 1 Ki. 9. 3.
[f] 1 Ki. 8. 27. Ps. 115. 16. 148. 4.
[g] Ge. 14. 19.
[h] Ps. 24. 1.
[i] Ps. 89. 13.
[k] Le. 26. 4.
[m] Joel 2. 23.
[n] Ja. 5. 7.
[o] Le. 26. 41. Je. 4. 4. Ro. 2. 28, 29. Col. 2. 11.
[p] Jos. 22. 22. Ps. 139. 2. Da. 2. 47.
[q] Ps. 101. 14. †*grace.*
[r] Re. 17. 14. 19. 16.
[s] 2 Ch. 19. 7. Job 34. 19. Ac. 10. 34. Ro. 2. 11. Ga. 2. 6. Ep. 6. 9. Col. 3. 25. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[b] ch. 29. 18. Job 31. 27.

18 He [o] doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

19 Love [b] ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

20 Thou [d] shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, [e] and swear by his name.

21 He *is* thy praise, and he *is* thy God, [f] that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.

22 Thy fathers went down into Egypt [k] with threescore and ten persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee [l] as the stars of heaven for multitude.

CHAP. XI.

THEREFORE thou shalt [o] love the LORD thy God, and [r] keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.

2 And know ye this day: for *I speak* not with your children which have not known, and which have not seen the chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arm,

3 And [s] his miracles, and his acts, which he did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land;

4 And what he did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; [o] how he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and *how* the LORD hath destroyed them unto this day;

5 And what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ye came into this place;

6 And [d] what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and all the † substance that *I was* in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:

7 But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he did.

8 Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may [t] be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it;

9 And [l] that ye may prolong *your* days in the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

10 ¶ For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, *is* not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, [m] where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst *it* with thy foot, as a garden of herbs:

11 But the land, whither ye go to possess it, *is* a land of hills and valleys, *and* drinketh water of the rain of heaven:

12 A land which the LORD thy God [o] careth for: [p] the eyes of the LORD thy God *are* always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

13 ¶ And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

14 That [l] I will give *you* the rain of your land in his due season, [m] the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.

15 And [p] I will [t] send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.

16 Take heed to yourselves, [b] that your

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heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them;

17 And *then* the LORD's wrath be kindled against you, and he [b] shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and *lest* [d] ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you.

18 ¶ Therefore [g] shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and [g] bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.

19 And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

20 And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:

21 That [f] your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, [m] as the days of heaven upon the earth.

22 ¶ For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and [p] to cleave unto him;

23 Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall [o] possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves.

24 Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be your's: from the [n] wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be.

25 There [q] shall no man be able to stand before you: *for* the LORD your God shall [p] lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, [r] as he hath said unto you.

26 ¶ Behold, [s] I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;

27 A [t] blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:

28 And a [u] curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

29 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in unto the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt put [x] the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal.

30 *Are* they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champaign over against Gilgal, [h] beside the plains of Moreh?

31 For [k] ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.

32 And ye shall observe [m] to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before you this day.

CHAP. XII.

THESE [a] *are* the statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, [p] all the days that ye live upon the earth.

2 Ye [r] shall utterly destroy all the

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[e] or, *inherit.*
[a] 2 Ki. 16. 4. 17.10,11. Je. 3. 6.
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 35. 2 Ch. 6. 26. 7. 13.
[d] Nu. 33. 52. Ju. 2. 2.
[g] *break down*
[d] ch. 4. 25. 30. 18. Jos.23.13,15 16.
[e] ch. 32. 46.
[f] Le. 20. 23.
[g] ch. 6. 8.
[h] ch. 25. 2. Jos. 8. 27. 1 Ki. 8. 29. 2 Ch. 7. 12. Ps. 78. 68.
[i] Le. 17. 3, 4.
[k] ch.14.22,23. 15.19,20.
[l] Pr. 3. 2. 9. 11.
[m] ch. 14. 26.
[n] Ps. 72. 5. 89. 29.
[o] ch.16.11,14. 15. 26. 11. 27. 7. Le. 26. 40.
[p] 2 Co.11.2,3.
[q] Ju. 17. 6. 21. 25.
[r] ch. 9. 1.
[s] ch. 11. 31.
[t] Ge. 15. 18. Ex. 23. 31. Nu. 34. 3, &c.
[u] ch. 26. 2. 31. 11. Jos. 18. 1. 1 Ki. 8. 29. Ps. 78. 68. Je. 7. 12. Jno.4.20..23
[x] ch. 7. 24.
[y] ch. 2. 25.
[z] Ex. 23. 27.
[a] ch. 30. 1, 15, 19.
‡ *the choice of your years.*
[b] ch. 29. 2.
[c] ch. 28. 15.
[d] ch. 10. 9. 14. 29.
[e] Le. 17. 4.
[f] Ps. 5. 7. 9. 11. 2 Co. 5. 19. He. 10. 19.. 22. 13.12,15
[g] ch.27.12,13. Jos. 8. 33.
[h] Ge. 12. 6. Ju. 7. 1.
[i] ch. 14. 5. 15. 22.
[k] ch. 9. 1. Jos. 1. 11.
[l] Le. 7. 26. 17. 10.
[m] ch. 5. 32. 12. 32.
[n] ch. b. 1.
[o] ch. 14. 23.
[p] ch. 4. 10. 1 Ki. 8. 40.
[r] ch. 7. 5. Ex. 34. 13.

places, wherein the nations which ye shall [o] possess served their gods, [z] upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree:

3 And [a] ye shall † overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place.

4 Ye [f] shall not do so unto the LORD your God.

5 But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose [b] out of all your tribes to put his name there, *even* unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come:

6 And [c] thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your [d] tithes, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks:

7 And [m] there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and [e] ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.

8 Ye shall not do after all *the things* that we do here this day, [r] every man whatsoever *is* right in his own eyes.

9 For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the LORD your God giveth you.

10 But *when* [f] ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth you to inherit, and *when* he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety;

11 Then there shall be [g] a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all ‡ your choice vows which ye vow unto the LORD:

12 And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that *is* within your gates; forasmuch as [d] he hath no part nor inheritance with you.

13 Take [e] heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest:

14 But [f] in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.

15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, [i] as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.

16 Only [i] ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.

17 ¶ Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine hand:

18 But [g] thou must eat them before the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates: and thou shalt

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rejoice before the LORD thy God in all that thou puttest thine hands unto.

19 Take [h] heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite [a] as long as thou livest upon the earth.

20 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, [d] as he hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.

21 If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name there be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd and of thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.

22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat *of* them alike.

23 Only [i] be sure that thou eat not the blood: [k] for the blood *is* the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.

24 Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water.

25 Thou shalt not eat it; [l] that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, [l] when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.

26 Only thy [m] holy things which thou hast, and [n] thy vows, thou shalt take, and go unto the place which the LORD shall choose:

27 And [p] thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of the LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy God, and thou shalt eat the flesh.

28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest *that which is* good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God.

29 ¶ When [e] the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou [e] succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared [t] by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

31 Thou [v] shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every abomination *to* the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for [y] even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.

32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: [z] thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.

CHAP. XIII.

IF there arise among you a prophet, or a [a] dreamer of dreams, and [c] giveth thee a sign or a wonder,

2 And *the* sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;

3 Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God [h] proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

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[a] 2 Ki. 23. 3. 2 Ch. 34. 31.
[b] ch. 14. 27.
[c] *all thy days.*
[d] Le. 14. 15. Zec. 13. 3.
[d] Ge. 15. 18. 26. 4. Ex. 34. 24.
[t] *spoken revolt against the* LORD.
[e] 1 Co. 5. 13.
[f] Ge. 16. 5. Pr. 5. 20. Mi. 7. 5.
[g] 1 Sa. 18. 1, 3. 20. 17.
[z] *be strong.*
[h] Ge. 9. 4. Le. 17. 11, 14
[i] Is. 3. 10.
[k] Pr. 1. 10. Ga. 1. 8, 9. 1 Jno. 5. 21.
[l] Ex. 15. 26.
[l] 1 Ki. 11. 38.
[m] Nu. 5. 9, 10. 18. 19.
[n] Jno. 8. 7. Ac. 7. 58.
[o] 1 Sa. 1. 21. 24.
[p] Le 1. 5, 9, 13. 17. 11.
[§] *bondmen.*
[r] Jos. 22. 11, &c Jn. 30. 1, 3.
[‖] or, *naughty men.*
Ju. 19. 22.
1 Sa. 2. 12. 25. 17. 25.
1 Ki. 21. 10, 13
2 Co. 6. 15.
[s] Ex. 23. 33. Jos. 23. 4.
[t] 1 Jno. 2. 19. Jude 19.
[u] 2 Ki. 17. 21.
[v] *inheritest*, or, *possessest them.*
[t] *after them.*
[v] Le. 18. 3, 26. 30.
2 Ki. 17. 15.
[x] Ex. 22. 20. Le. 27. 28. Jos. 6. 17, 21.
[y] *of.*
[y] Le. 20. 2. Je. 31. 35. Eze. 23. 37.
[z] Pro. 1. 7. Pr. 30. 6. Re. 22. 18.
[a] Jos. 8. 28. Is. 17. 1. 25. 2. Je. 49. 2.
[b] 1 Co. 16. 22.
[§] or, *devoted*
[c] Jos. 6. 26.
[d] Zec. 10. 2.
[e] Mat. 24. 24. 2 Th. 2. 9.
[f] Je. 29. 9. Mat. 7. 22.
[g] Ge. 22. 17. 26. 4, 24. 28. 14.
[h] Mat. 24. 24. 1 Co. 11. 19. 2 Th. 2. 11. Re. 13. 14.
[i] Ro. 8. 18. Ga. 3. 26.

4 Ye shall [e] walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him.

5 And [f] that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath [t] spoken to turn *you* away from the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. [z] So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee.

6 ¶ If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or [f] the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, [g] which *is* as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;

7 *Namely*, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth;

8 Thou shalt [h] not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:

9 But thou shalt surely kill him; [i] thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of [§] bondage.

11 And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such wickedness as this is among you.

12 ¶ If [r] thou shalt hear *say* in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying,

13 *Certain* men, [‖] the children of Belial, [s] are gone out from among you, and have [u] withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;

14 Then shalt thou enquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold, *if it be* truth, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought among you;

15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, [x] destroying it utterly, and all that *is* therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword.

16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be [a] an heap for ever; it shall not be built again.

17 And there shall cleave nought of [b] the [§] cursed thing to thine hand: that the LORD may [c] turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, [d] as he hath sworn unto thy fathers;

18 When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do *that which* is right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

CHAP. XIV.

YE *are* [i] the children of the LORD your God: *ye* shall not cut yourselves, nor

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make any baldness between your eyes for the dead.

2 For thou [a] *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that *are* upon the earth.

3 ¶ Thou [d] shalt not eat any abominable thing.

4 These *f are* the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,

5 The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the [†] pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois.

6 And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, *and* cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.

7 Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the cloven hoof; as the camel, and the hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; *therefore* they *are* unclean unto you.

8 And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it *is* unclean unto you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor [i] touch their dead carcase.

9 ¶ These [m] ye shall eat of all that *are* in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat:

10 And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; it *is* unclean unto you.

11 ¶ *Of* all clean birds ye shall eat.

12 But [o] these *are they* of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,

13 And the glede, and the kite, and the vulture after his kind,

14 And every raven after his kind,

15 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

16 The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan,

17 And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant,

18 And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

19 And [r] every creeping thing that flieth *is* unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten.

20 *But of* all clean fowls ye may eat.

21 ¶ Ye [s] shall not eat *of* any thing that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that *is* in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God. [t] Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

22 Thou [u] shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.

23 And [x] thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and [y] the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.

24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; *or* [z] if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

25 Then shall thou turn *it* into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shall go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose:

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[a] Ps. 105. 14. Jno. 2. 13., 16. 1 Co. 6. 12, 13 10. 6.
[b] ch. 26. 18, 19 Le. 20. 26. Is. 6. 13. 62. 12. Da. 8. 24. Tit. 2. 14. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[c] *asketh of thee.*
[d] ch. 26. 11. Ec. 9. 7.
[e] Exo. 4. 14. Ac. 10. 13, 14
[f] ch. 18. 1, 2. Nu. 18. 20.
[g] Le. 11. 2, &c. ch. 26. 12. Am. 4. 4.
[†] *dishon*, or, *bison.*
[h] Job 31. 16., 22. Lu. 14. 12., 14. He. 13. 2. Ja. 1. 27.
[i] ch. 15. 10. Pr. 3. 9, 10. 1 s. 58. 6., 12. Mal. 3. 10. Lu. 6. 35., 11. 41. 2 Co. 9. 6., 11.
[k] Ex. 21. 2. 23. 10, 11. Le. 25. 2, 4. Je. 34. 14.
[‡] *master of the lending of his hand*
[l] Le. 11. 26, 27.
[m] Le. 11. 9.
[n] ch. 23. 20.
[§] or, *To the end that there be no poor.*
[o] Le. 11. 13.
[p] ch. 26. 1.
[q] ch. 26. 12, 44.
[r] Pr. 22. 7.
[s] Le. 11. 20, 21.
[t] 1 Jno. 3. 17.
[u] Le. 17. 15., 22. 8. Exo. 4. 14.
[x] Le. 25. 35. Mat. 5. 42. Lu. 6. 34, 35.
[||] *word.*
[y] Ex. 23. 19., 34. 26.
[z] Le. 27. 30. Nu. 10. 27.
[a] Pr. 23. 6., 28. 22. Mat. 20. 15.
[b] ch. 24. 15.
[c] Mat. 25. 41., 42.
[d] ch. 12. 5, 7., 17, 18.
[e] 2 Co. 9. 5, 7.
[f] ch. 14. 29. Ps. 41. 1. Pr. 22. 9.
[g] ch. 15. 19, 20
[h] Jno. 12. 8.
[i] ch. 12. 21.
[k] Ex. 21. 2. Le. 25. 39. Je. 34. 14.

26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul [e] lusteth after, *for* oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul [e] desireth: [x] and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household,

27 And the Levite that *is* within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for [c] he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.

28 ¶ At [g] the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay *it* up within thy gates:

29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the [h] stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which *are* within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that [i] the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.

CHAP. XV.

AT the end of [k] *every* seven years thou shalt make a release.

2 And this *is* the manner of the release: Every [‡] creditor that lendeth *ought* unto his neighbour shall release *it*; he shall not exact *it* of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the LORD's release.

3 Of [l] a foreigner thou mayest exact *it again*: but *that* which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall release;

4 § Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it:

5 Only [p] if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day.

6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and [r] thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and [s] thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.

7 ¶ If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, [u] thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:

8 But [x] thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, *in that* which he wanteth.

9 Beware that there be not a [||] thought in thy [a] wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine [b] eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and [b] he cry unto the LORD against thee, and [c] it be sin unto thee.

10 Thou shalt surely give him, and [d] thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that *for* this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.

11 For [k] the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

12 ¶ *And* [k] if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee.

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13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy winepress: *of that* wherewith the LORD thy God hath [b] blessed thee thou shalt give unto him.

15 And [c] thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.

16 And it shall be, [d] if he say unto thee, I will not go away from thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with thee;

17 Then thou shalt take an awl, and thrust *it* through his ear unto the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

18 It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been worth [h] a double hired servant *to thee*, in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest.

19 ¶ All [i] the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy sheep.

20 Thou [m] shalt eat *it* before the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household.

21 And [p] if there be *any* blemish therein, *as if it be* lame, or blind, *or have* any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God.

22 Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean *person shall eat it* alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart.

23 Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water.

CHAP. XVI.

OBSERVE the [r] month of Abib, and keep the passover unto the LORD thy God: for [r] in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.

2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and [u] the herd, in the [x] place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there.

3 Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread therewith, *even* the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life.

4 And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days; [c] neither shall there *any thing* of the flesh, which thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all night until the morning.

5 Thou mayest not ‡ sacrifice the passover within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee:

6 But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

7 And thou shalt [f] roast and eat *it* [h] in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.

8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and [a] on the seventh day *shall be* a [a] solemn assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work *therein*.

9 ¶ Seven [c] weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from *such time as* thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corn.

10 And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God with † a tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give *unto the LORD thy God*, [f] according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

11 And [g] thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.

12 And [i] thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.

13 ¶ Thou [l] shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy ‡ corn and thy wine:

14 And [m] thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* within thy gates.

15 Seven [o] days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.

16 ¶ Three [r] times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

17 Every man *shall give* § as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee.

18 ¶ Judges [u] and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment.

19 Thou shalt not wrest judgment; [y] thou shalt not respect persons, [z] neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the ‖ words of the righteous.

20 [a] That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest [b] live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

21 ¶ Thou [c] shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near unto the altar of the LORD thy God, which thou shalt make thee.

22 Neither [d] shalt thou set thee up *any* † image; which the LORD thy God hateth.

CHAP. XVII.

THOU [e] shalt not sacrifice unto the LORD thy God *any* bullock, or § sheep, wherein is blemish, *or* any evil-favouredness: for that *is* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.

2 ¶ If [f] there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that

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[b] Le. 25. 8.
[c] *restraint.* Le. 23. 36. Pr. 10. 22.
[d] Ex. 23. 16. Nu. 28. 26. Ac. 2. 1.
[d] ch. 5. 15. Is. 51. 1, 2. Ep. 2. 11, 12.
† or, *sufficiency.*
[e] Ex. 21. 5, 6.
[f] 1 Co. 16. 2. 2 Co. 9. 7.
[g] ch. 12. 7, 12, 18. Ps. 33. 1. 97. 1. 100. 1, 2. Phi. 4. 4.
[h] Is. 16. 14. 21. 16.
[i] ch. 15. 15.
[k] Ex. 13. 2. Le. 27. 26.
[l] Le. 23. 34. Nu. 29. 12.
‡ *floor, and thy winepress.*
[m] Ne. 8. 9, &c.
[n] ch. 16. 11, 14.
[o] Le. 23. 34, 40.
[p] Le. 22. 20.
[r] Ex. 23. 14, 17. 34. 23.
[s] Ex. 12. 2, &c
§ *according to the gift of his hand.* 2 Co. 8. 12.
[t] Ex. 13. 4. 34. 18.
[u] ch. 1. 16 Ex. 18. 21, 22 1 Ch. 23. 4. 26. 29. 2 Ch. 19. 5, 8.
[x] Nu. 28. 19.
[y] ch. 12. 5, 26. Ex. 20. 4. Jno. 4. 20, 24
[z] ch. 1. 17. Pr. 24. 23. Pr. 17. 23. Ec. 7. 7.
‖ or, *matters.*
[a] *Justice, justice.*
[b] Eze. 18. 5, 9.
[c] 1 Ki. 14. 15. 16. 33. 2 Ki. 17. 16. 21. 3. 2 Ch. 33. 3.
[d] Ex. 34. 28.
[e] Le. 22. 1.
† or, *statue,* or, *pillar.*
‡ or, *kill.*
[f] ch. 15. 21. Mal. 1. 8, 13, 14.
§ or, *goat.*
[f] ch. 13. 6.
[g] 2 Ch. 33. 13. Ps. 12. 8.
[h] 2 Ki. 23. 27. Jno. 2. 13, 23. 11, 55.

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hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, [b] in transgressing his covenant,

3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either [d] the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, [e] which I have not commanded;

4 And it be told thee, and thou hast heard *of it*, and enquired diligently, and, behold, *if be* true, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought in Israel:

5 Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, *even* that man or that woman, and [f] shalt stone them with stones, till they die.

6 At [g] the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; *but* at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

7 The [h] hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.

8 ¶ [i] If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, [k] between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between a stroke and stroke, *being* matters of controversy within thy gates: then shalt thou arise, [l] and get thee up into the place which the LORD thy God shall choose;

9 And [m] thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and [n] unto the judge that shall be in those days, and enquire; [o] and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:

10 And thou shalt do according to the sentence, which they of that place which the LORD shall choose shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform thee:

11 According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall shew thee, *to* the right hand, nor *to* the left.

12 And [p] the man that will do presumptuously, [†] and will not hearken unto the priest [q] that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God, or unto the judge, even that man shall die: and [r] thou shalt put away the evil from Israel.

13 And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

14 ¶ When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, [s] I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that *are* about me;

15 Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee, [t] whom the LORD thy God shall choose: *one* [u] from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which *is* not thy brother.

16 But he shall not multiply [v] horses to himself, nor cause the people [x] to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as [y] the LORD hath said unto you, [z] Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.

17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that [a] his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of [b] *that which is* before the priests the Levites:

19 And [c] it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he [d] turn not aside from the commandment, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left: to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

CHAP. XVIII.

THE priests the Levites, *and* all the tribe of Levi, [e] shall have no part nor inheritance with Israel: they [f] shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.

2 Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD *is* their inheritance, as he hath said unto them.

3 ¶ And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether *it be* ox or sheep; and [g] they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw.

4 The [h] firstfruit *also* of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the first of the fleece of thy sheep, shalt thou give him.

5 For [i] the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever.

6 ¶ And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he [k] sojourned, and come with all the desire of his mind [l] unto the place which the LORD shall choose;

7 Then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God, [m] as all his brethren the Levites *do*, which stand there before the LORD.

8 They shall have [n] like portions to eat, beside [o] that which cometh of the sale of his patrimony.

9 ¶ When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, [p] thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.

10 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his daughter [q] to pass through the fire, [r] or that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,

11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a [s] necromancer.

12 For all that do these things *are* an abomination unto the LORD: and [t] because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

13 Thou shalt be [‡] perfect with the LORD thy God.

14 For these nations, which thou shalt [§] possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so *to do*.

15 ¶ The [u] LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;

16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, [w] Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.

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[a] 2 Ki. 22. 8.
[b] Jos. 7. 11, 15. 23. 16. Ju. 2. 20. 2 Ki. 18. 12. Ho. 8. 1.
[c] Jos. 1. 8. Ps. 119. 97, 98
[d] Job 31. 26.
[e] Je. 7. 22, 23. 19. 5. 32. 35.
[f] 1 Ki. 15. 5.
[g] Le. 24. 14, 16. Jos. 7. 25.
[h] Nu. 35. 30. Mat. 18. 16. Jno. 8. 17. 1 Ti. 5. 19. He. 10. 28.
[i] Nu. 18. 20.
[k] Nu. 18. 8, 9. 1 Co. 9. 13.
[l] Ac. 7. 59.
[m] 2 Ch. 19. 10. Hag. 2. 11. Mal. 2. 7.
[n] Ex. 21. 13, 30. 22. 28. 22. 2. Nu. 35. 11, 16, 19.
[o] Le. 7. 30, 34
[p] Ex. 22. 29. Nu. 16. 12, 24
[q] Ps. 122. 5.
[r] Ex. 28. 1. Nu. 3. 10.
[s] Je. 18. 18.
[t] ch. 19. 17.
[u] Eze. 44. 24.
[v] Nu. 35. 2, 3.
[w] ch. 12. 5.
[x] 2 Ch. 31. 2.
[a] Ne. 12. 44, 47.
[b] *his sales by the fathers.*
[c] Nu. 15. 30. Ezr. 10. 8. Ho. 4. 4.
[†] *not to hearken.*
[d] ch. 18. 5, 7.
[e] Le. 18. 26, 27, 30.
[f] ch. 13. 5.
[g] Le. 18. 21.
[h] Is. 8. 19.
[i] 1 Sa. 28. 7.
[k] 1 Sa. 8. 5, 19, 20
[l] Le. 18. 24, 25
[m] 1 Sa. 9. 15. 10. 24. 16. 12. 1 Ch. 22. 10.
[n] Je. 30. 21.
[‡] or, *upright, or, sincere.* Ge. 17. 1.
[§] or, *inherit.*
[o] 1 Ki. 4. 26. 10. 26, 28. Ps. 20. 7.
[p] Is. 31. 1. Eze. 17. 15.
[q] Ex. 13. 17. Nu. 14. 3, 4.
[r] Jno. 1. 45. Ac. 3. 22. 7. 37.
[s] ch. 28. 68. Je. 42. 15. Ho. 11. 5.
[t] 1 Ki. 3. 4.
[u] Ex. 20. 19. He. 12. 19.

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17 And the LORD said unto me, [a] They have well *spoken that* which they have spoken.

18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and [b] will put my words in his mouth; [c] and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

19 And [d] it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require *it* of him.

20 But [e] the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or [f] that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?

22 When [g] a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

CHAP. XIX.

WHEN the LORD thy God hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou [h] succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses;

2 Thou [i] shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the coasts of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every slayer may flee thither.

4 ¶ And [k] this *is* the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not [l] in time past;

5 As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the ax to cut down the tree, and the [§] head slippeth from the [‖] helve, and [*] lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of those cities, and live:

6 Lest [m] the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and [§] slay him; whereas he *was* not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not [l] in time past.

7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee.

8 And if the LORD thy God [n] enlarge thy coast, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, and give thee all the land which he promised to give unto thy fathers;

9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; [o] then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three:

10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and *so* blood be upon thee.

11 ¶ But [d] if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him [†] mortally that he die, and fleeth into one of these cities:

12 Then the elders of his city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die.

13 Thine [p] eye shall not pity him, [q] but thou shalt put away *the guilt of* innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee.

14 ¶ Thou [r] shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

15 ¶ One [s] witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

16 ¶ If a false witness [t] rise up against any man to testify against him [u] *that which is* wrong;

17 Then both the men, between whom the controversy *is*, shall stand before the LORD, [w] before the priests and the judges, which shall be in those days;

18 And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, *if* the witness *be* a false witness, *and* hath testified falsely against his brother;

19 Then [x] shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother: so shalt thou put the evil away from among you.

20 And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil among you.

21 And thine eye shall not pity; [y] *but* life *shall go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

CHAP XX.

WHEN thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest [z] horses, and chariots, *and* a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God *is* [a] with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people,

3 And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: [b] let not your hearts [†] faint, fear not, and do not [‡] tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them;

4 For the LORD your God *is* he that goeth with you, [c] to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.

5 ¶ And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man *is there* that hath built a new house, and hath not [d] dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it.

6 And what man *is he* that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not *yet* [e] eaten of it? let him *also* go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it.

7 And [f] what man *is there* that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her.

8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, [g] What man *is there that is* fearful and fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart [‡] faint as well as his heart.

9 And it shall be when the officers have

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[a] ch. 5. 28.
[b] ch. 25. 12.
[c] Nu. 35. 33, 34
1 Ki. 2. 31.
[d] Is. 51. 16.
Jno. 17. 8.
[e] Jno. 4. 25.
8. 28.
12. 49, 50.
[f] ch. 27. 17.
Job 24. 2.
Pr. 22. 28.
Ho. 5. 10.
[g] Ac. 3. 23.
[h] ch. 17. 6.
Nu. 35. 30.
Mat. 18. 16.
Jno. 8. 17.
2 Co. 13. 1.
1 Ti. 5. 19.
He. 10. 28.
[i] Je. 14. 14, 15.
Zec. 13. 3.
[k] ch. 13. 1, 2.
Je. 2. 8.
[l] Ps. 27. 12.
35. 11.
[•] or, *falling away.*
[m] Je. 36. 9.
[n] ch. 21. 5.
[o] Pr. 19. 5, 9.
Da. 6. 24.
[†] *inheritest*, or, *possessest.*
[p] Ex. 21. 13.
Nu. 35. 10, 14
Jos. 20. 2.
[q] Ex. 21. 23.
Le. 24. 20.
Mat. 5. 38.
[r] Nu. 35. 15.
[s] Ps. 30. 7.
Is. 31. 1.
[‡] *from yesterday the third day.*
[t] Ex. 31. 6, 8.
Nu. 23. 21.
2 Ch. 13. 12.
32. 7, 8.
[§] *iron.*
[‖] *wood.*
[*] *Andeth.*
[u] Ps. 27. 1..3.
Is. 35. 3.
Mat. 10. 28, 31
Ep. 6. 11..18
He. 12 12, 13
[x] Nu. 35. 12.
[†] *be tender.*
[‡] *make haste*
[§] *smite him as life.*
[y] ch. 1. 30.
3. 22.
Jos. 23. 10.
[‖] *from yesterday the third day.*
[z] Ge. 15. 18
[a] Ne. 12. 27.
Ps. 30. title
[•] *made is common.*
ch. 28. 30.
Le. 19. 23, 24.
[b] Jos. 20. 7, 8.
ch. 21. 5.
[c] ch. 27. 24.
Ex. 21. 12, &c.
Nu. 35. 16, 24
Pr. 28. 17.
[d] Ju. 7. 3.
[†] *an life.*
[‡] *melt.*

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made an end of speaking unto the people, that they shall make captains of the armies [a] to lead the people.

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[a] to be *in the head of the people.*

[b] 20.10,18,20

[c] Jos. 1. 14.

[†] *in the midst.*

[d] 1 Ki.9.21,22 Lu. 19. 14.

[e] ch. 19. 13.

[f] Nu. 31. 7.

[g] Jos. 8. 2.

[‡] *spoil.*

[h] Jos. 22. 8.

[§] *make,* or, *dress,* or, *suffer to grow.*

[i] Ps. 45. 10.

[k] ch. 7. 1, 2. Nu. 33. 52. Jos. 11. 14.

[l] Ge. 34. 2. Ju. 19. 24.

[m] ch. 7. 4. 12.30,31. 18. 9.

[n] Ge. 29. 33.

[o] Ex. 23. 33.

[p] 1 Ch. 26. 10. 2Ch.11.19,22

[‖] or, *for. O man, the tree of the field is to be employed in the siege.*

[q] *to go from before thee.*

[r] 1 Ch. 5. 1, 2.

[†] *that is found with him.*

[s] Ge. 49. 3.

[t] Ge.25.31,33

[u] 2 Ch.26.15. Ec. 9. 14. Is. 37. 33. Je. 6. 6. 33. 4. Eze. 17. 17.

[‡] *it come down.*

[w] Ps. 9. 12. Pr. 28. 17. Is. 26. 21. Ac. 25. 4.

[x] ch.19.19,20.

[y] ch. 13. 11.

[z] ch. 23. 26. Ac. 23. 29. 25.11,25. 26. 31.

[a] 1 Pe. 3. 18.

[b] Jos. 8. 29. 10.26,27. Jno. 19. 31.

[b] ch. 10. 8. 1 Ch. 23. 13.

[c] Ga. 3. 13.

[§] *the curse of God.*

[d] Nu. 25. 4. 2 Sa. 21. 6.

[d] Le. 18. 25. Nu. 35. 34.

[e] ch. 17. 8, 9.

[‖] *mouth.*

[f] Ex. 23. 4, 5. Deu.4.1,16. Mat. 10. 6. 18.11.

[g] Job 9. 30. Ps. 19. 12. 26. 6. Je. 2. 22. Mat. 27. 24. Ha. 9. 10.

10 ¶ When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it, [b] then proclaim peace unto it.

11 And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, *that* [c] all the people *that is* found therein shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve thee.

12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it:

13 And when the LORD thy God hath delivered it into thine hands, [d] thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword:

14 But the women, and the little ones, and [f] the cattle, and all that is in the city, *even* all the spoil thereof, shalt thou [‡] take unto thyself; and [g] thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities *which are* very far off from thee, which *are* not of the cities of these nations.

16 But [i] of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee *for* an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth:

17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; [k] namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:

18 That [l] they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so should ye [m] sin against the LORD your God.

19 ¶ When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof by forcing an ax against them: for thou mayest eat of them, and thou shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field *is* man's *life*) [o] to employ *them* in the siege:

20 Only the trees which thou knowest that they *be* not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and thou shalt [r] build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until it be subdued.

CHAP. XXI.

IF *one* [s] be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it, lying in the field, *and* it be not known who hath slain him:

2 Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which *are* round about him that is slain:

3 And it shall be, *that* the city *which is* next unto the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take an heifer, which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawn in the yoke;

4 And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a rough valley, which is neither eared nor sown, and shall strike off [a] the heifer's neck there in the valley:

5 And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for [b] them the LORD thy God hath chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the LORD; and [c] by their [§] word shall every controversy and every stroke be *tried:*

6 And all the elders of that city, *that are* next unto the slain *man,* [d] shall wash their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley:

7 And they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen *it.*

8 Be merciful, O LORD, unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and [e] lay not innocent blood [†] unto thy people of Israel's charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them.

9 So [d] shalt thou put away the *guilt of* innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.

10 ¶ When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and the LORD thy God hath delivered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them captive,

11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife;

12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house; and she shall shave her head, and [§] pare her nails;

13 And she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and [h] bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast [i] humbled her.

15 ¶ If a man have two wives, one beloved, [m] and another hated, and they have born him children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the firstborn son be her's that was hated:

16 Then it shall be, [n] when he maketh his sons to inherit *that* which he hath, *that* he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, *which is indeed* the firstborn:

17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* the firstborn, [p] by giving him a double portion of all [†] that he hath: for he *is* [r] the beginning of his strength; [s] the right of the firstborn *is* his.

18 ¶ If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and *that,* when they have chastened him, will not hearken unto them:

19 Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place;

20 And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son *is* stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; *he is* a glutton, and a drunkard.

21 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: [t] so shalt thou put evil away from among you; [u] and all Israel shall hear, and fear.

22 ¶ And if a man have committed a sin [v] worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:

23 His [x] body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for [z] he that is hanged *is* [§] accursed of God;) that [a] thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.

CHAP. XXII.

THOU *shalt* not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself

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from them. thou shalt in any case bring them again unto thy brother.

2 And if thy brother *be* not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it unto thine own house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou shalt restore it to him again.

3 In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.

4 ¶ Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself from them: *f* thou shalt surely help him to lift *them* up again.

5 ¶ The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: *for* all that do so *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.

6 ¶ If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree, or on the ground, *whether they be* young ones, or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, *h* thou shalt not take the dam with the young:

7 *But* thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and take the young to thee; *i* that it may be well with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong *thy* days.

8 ¶ When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence.

9 ¶ Thou *m* shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the † fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled.

10 ¶ Thou *n* shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together.

11 ¶ Thou *o* shalt not wear a garment of divers sorts, *as* of woollen and linen together.

12 ¶ Thou shalt make thee *p* fringes upon the four ‡ quarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou coverest *thyself*.

13 ¶ If any man take a wife, and *q* go in unto her, and hate her,

14 And *r* give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:

15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth *the tokens of* the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate:

16 And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her;

17 And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech *against her*, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these *are the tokens of* my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city.

18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him;

19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred *shekels* of silver, and give *them* unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; *f* he may not put her away all his days.

20 But if this thing be true, *and the tokens of* virginity be not found for the damsel:

21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall *s* stone her with stones that she die: because she hath *t* wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: *v* so shalt thou put evil away from among you.

22 ¶ If *u* a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.

23 ¶ If a damsel *that is* a virgin be *w* betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;

24 Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled *x* his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt *t* put away evil from among you.

25 ¶ But if a man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man *y* force her, and lie with her: then the man only that lay with her shall die:

26 But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; *there is* in the damsel no sin *worthy* of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, even so *is* this matter:

27 For he found her in the field, *and* the betrothed damsel cried, and *there was* none to save her.

28 ¶ If *z* a man find a damsel *that is* a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

29 Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.

30 ¶ *a* A man shall not take his father's wife, nor *b* discover his father's skirt.

CHAP. XXIII.

HE that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not *c* enter into the congregation of the LORD.

2 *a* A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

3 An *b* Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever:

4 Because *c* they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and *d* because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse thee.

5 Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, *e* because the LORD thy God loved thee.

6 Thou *f* shalt not seek their peace nor their § prosperity all thy days for ever.

7 ¶ Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; *g* for he *is* thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because *h* thou wast a stranger in his land.

8 The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the congregation of the LORD in their third generation.

9 ¶ When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee from every wicked thing.

10 ¶ If *i* there be among you any man,

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a Le. 21. 16, 23. Nu. 15. 35, 36. Jos. 7. 24, 25.
b Ge. 34. 7. Ju. 20. 6, 10. 2 Sa. 13. 12, 13.
c ch. 13. 5.
d Le. 20. 10. Eze. 23. 45, 47, 48. Jno. 8. 5. He. 13. 4.
e Mat. 1. 18, 19
f Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 1. Ga. 6. 1, 2. 1 Ti. 5. 14.
g ch. 21. 14.
h 1 Co. 5. 2, 13.
i *or, take strong hold of her.*
2 Sa. 13. 14.
k Le. 22. 28.
l ch. 4. 40.
m Ex. 22. 16, 17
n Le. 19. 19.
† *fulness of thy seed.*
o 2 Co. 6. 14, 16.
p Le. 18. 8. 20. 11. 1 Co. 5. 1.
q Ru. 3. 9. Eze. 16. 8.
r Le. 19. 19.
s Nu. 15. 38. Mat. 23. 5.
‡ *wings.*
t La. 1. 10.
u Is. 57. 3. Zec. 9. 6. Jno. 8. 41. He. 12. 8.
v Ge. 39. 21. Ju. 15. 1. Ez. 5. 25, 29.
w Ex. 20. 16. 23. 1. Pr. 18. 8, 21. 1 Ti. 5. 14.
x Ru. 4. 10...22 Ne. 13. 1, 2. Is. 56. 3.
y ch. 2. 29. Ge. 14. 18. 1 Sa. 25. 11, 18. 1 Ki. 18. 4. Mat. 25. 40.
z Nu. 22. 5, 6.
a Pa. 73. 1. Je. 31. 3. Ro. 9. 13. 11. 28. Ep. 2. 4, 5.
b Ezr. 9. 12.
§ *good.*
c Ge. 25. 21, 26. Ob. 10. 12.
d Ex. 22. 21. 23. 9. Le. 19. 34.
e Mar. 10. 11, 12.
f Le. 15. 16.

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that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp:

11 But it shall be, when evening [*] cometh on, [b] he shall wash *himself* with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again*.

12 ¶ Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad:

13 And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon; and it shall be, when thou [†] wilt ease thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee:

14 For the LORD thy God [c] walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no [§] unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee.

15 ¶ Thou [d] shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is escaped from his master unto thee:

16 He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it [‖] liketh him best: [e] thou shalt not oppress him.

17 ¶ There shall be no [f] whore [g] of the daughters of Israel, nor [h] a sodomite of the sons of Israel.

18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.

19 ¶ Thou [i] shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals, usury of any thing that is lent upon usury:

20 Unto [k] a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: [l] that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

21 ¶ When [m] thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.

22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.

23 That [n] which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; *even* a free-will offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.

24 ¶ When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest eat grapes thy fill at thine own pleasure; but thou shalt not put *any* in thy vessel.

25 When thou comest into the standing corn of thy neighbour, [o] then thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.

CHAP. XXIV.

WHEN [a] man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found [§] some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of [‡] divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house.

2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.

3 And *if* the latter husband hate her,

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[*] *turneth toward.*
[a] Je. 3. 1.
[b] Le. 15. 5.
[c] ch. 20. 7.
[†] *not any thing shall pass upon him.*
[‡] *silliest down.*
[d] Pr. 5. 18.
[e] Le. 25. 12. 19.
[f] Ex. 21. 16.
[§] *nakedness of any thing.*
[g] 1 Sa. 30. 15.
[h] Le. 13. 2.
[‖] *is good for him.*
[i] Ex. 22. 21.
[k] or, *sodomites.*
[l] Le. 19. 29. Pr. 2. 16.
[m] Lu. 17. 32. 1 Co. 10. 6.
[n] Ge. 19. 5. 2 Ki. 23. 7.
[o] Nu. 12. 10.
[†] *lend the loan of any thing to, &c*
[p] Ex. 22 25. Le.25.36,37. Ne. 5. 2, 7. Ps. 15. 5. Lu.6. 34, 35.
[q] Ex. 22. 26.
[r] Le. 19. 34. ch. 15. 10.
[s] Job20.11,13 31. 20. 2 Co. 9. 13 2 Ti. 1. 16
[t] Ps. 106. 31 112. 9. Da. 4. 27.
[u] Mal. 3. 5.
[v] Nu. 30. 2. Ec. 5. 4, 5.
[w] Le. 19. 13 Je 22. 13.
[‡] *lifteth his soul unto it,* Ps. 25. 1. 86. 4.
[a] Je. 5. 4.
[b] Nu. 30. 2. Ps.66.13,14.
[b] 2 Ki. 14. 6. 2 Ch. 25. 4. Je.31.29,30. Eze.18. 20
[c] Pr 22. 22. Is. 1. 23. Je. 5. 28. 22. 3. Eze. 22. 29. Zec. 7. 10. Mal. 3. 5.
[d] Mar. 2. 23.
[e] Le. 19 9,10.
[f] Mat. 5. 31. 19. 7.
[§] Ps. 41. 1. Pr. 19. 17.
[§] *matter of nakedness.*
[‖] *cutting off.*
[*] *thou shalt not bough it after thee.*
[†] *after thee.*

and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth *it* in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her *to be* his wife;

4 Her [a] former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled: for that *is* abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.

5 ¶ When [a] a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, [†] neither shall he be charged with any business: *but* he shall be free at home one year, and shall [‡] cheer up his wife which he hath taken.

6 ¶ No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh *a man's* life to pledge.

7 ¶ If [a] a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you.

8 ¶ Take heed in [b] the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, *so* ye shall observe to do.

9 Remember [c] what the LORD thy God did [d] unto Miriam by the way, after that ye were come forth out of Egypt.

10 ¶ When thou dost [†] lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge.

11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the pledge abroad unto thee.

12 And if the man [e] be poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:

13 In [f] any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and [g] bless thee: and [h] it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not [i] oppress an hired servant *that is* poor and needy, *whether he be* of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates:

15 At his day [j] thou shalt give *him* his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he *is* poor, and [‡] setteth his heart upon it: [k] lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.

16 The [b] fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

17 ¶ Thou [c] shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless; nor take the widow's raiment to pledge:

18 But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

19 ¶ When [d] thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may [e] bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

20 When thou beatest thine olive tree, [*] thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, *for* the fatherless, and for the widow.

21 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not [†] glean *it* afterward: it shall be for the stranger, *for* the fatherless, and for the widow.

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22 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

CHAP. XXV.

IF there be a [a] controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they [c] shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.

2 And it shall be, if the wicked man be [e] worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, [f] and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

3 Forty [h] stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should [i] seem vile unto thee.

4 ¶ Thou [k] shalt not muzzle the ox when he [o] treadeth out *the corn*.

5 ¶ If [l] brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her [†] husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

6 And it shall be, *that* the firstborn which she beareth [r] shall succeed in the name of his brother *which is* dead, that [s] his name be not put out of Israel.

7 And if the man like not to take his [t] brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.

8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and *if* he stand *to it*, and say, I like not to take her;

9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and [x] loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

11 ¶ When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, [z] thine eye shall not pity *her*.

13 ¶ Thou [a] shalt not have in thy bag [§] divers weights, a great and a small.

14 Thou shalt not have in thine house [‖] divers measures, a great and a small.

15 *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: [b] that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

16 For [h] all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.

17 ¶ Remember [i] what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble behind thee, when thou *wast* faint and weary; and he [m] feared not God.

19 Therefore it shall be, [n] when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it, *that* thou shalt [o] blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget *it*.

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[a] Ex. 17. 14.
[b] Exo. 14. 24.
[c] Pr. 17. 15.
[d] ch. 16. 10. Ex. 23. 19. 34. 26. Nu. 18. 13. Pr. 3. 9.
[e] Lu. 12. 48.
[f] Mat. 10 17.
[g] ch. 12. 5. 2 Ch. 6. 6.
[h] 2 Co. 11. 24.
[i] Job 18. 3.
[k] Pr. 12. 10. 1 Co. 9. 9. 1 Ti. 5. 18.
[o] *thresheth.* Ho. 10. 11.
[l] Mar. 12. 19.
[m] Ps. 103. 9, 11. Lu. 1. 72, 73. He. 6. 14, 18
[†] or, *next kinsman.* Ge. 38. 8. Ru. 1. 12, 13.
[n] Ho. 12. 12.
[o] Ge. 43. 1, 2. 45. 7, 11.
[p] Ge. 46. 1, 6. Ac. 7. 15.
[r] Ge. 38. 9.
[s] ch. 10. 22. Ge. 46. 27.
[t] Ru. 4. 10.
[x] Ex. 1. 11, 14.
[z] or, *next kinsman's wife.*
[a] Ex. 2 23...25 3. 9. 22. 23.
[§] Ex. 12. 27, 51. 13. 3, 14, 16. Ps. 103. 7... 10. Is. 63. 12.
[b] ch. 4. 34.
[‖] Ex. 30. 13. Mar. 1. 7.
[d] Ex. 3 8.
[h] ch. 12. 7, 12, 18.
[c] ch. 19. 13.
[d] Le. 27. 30. Nu. 18. 24.
[e] Le. 19. 20, 26. Pr. 11. 1. Eze. 45. 10. Mi. 6. 11.
[f] ch. 14. 28, 29.
[§] *a stone and a stone.*
[‖] *an ephah and an ephah.*
[g] Ex. 20. 12.
[h] 1 Th. 4. 6.
[i] Ex. 17. 8.
[k] Ps. 18. 21...24 36. 1...3, 6. Ac. 24. 16. 1 Th. 2. 10. 1 Joe. 3. 17... 21.
[l] Ps. 119. 141, 153, 176.
[m] Le. 7. 20. 21. 1, 11. Ho. 9. 4.
[n] Ps. 36. 1. Pr. 16. 6. Ro. 3. 18.
[o] 1 Sa. 15. 3.
[p] Is. 63. 15. Zec. 2. 13.

CHAP. XXVI.

AND it shall be, when thou *art* come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein;

2 That [d] thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a basket, and shalt [k] go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.

3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am come unto the country which [m] the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.

4 And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD thy God.

5 And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, [q] A Syrian [e] ready to perish *was* my father, and [f] he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a [e] few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous:

6 And [u] the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage:

7 And [v] when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:

8 And [x] the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and [y] with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:

9 And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* [z] a land that floweth with milk and honey.

10 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:

11 And [b] thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you.

12 ¶ When thou hast made an end of tithing all the [c] tithes of thine increase the third year, *which is* the year of tithing, and hast given *it* unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;

13 Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things out of *mine* house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandments which thou hast commanded me: [b] I have not transgressed thy commandments, [c] neither have I forgotten *them*:

14 I [m] have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof for *any* unclean use, nor given *ought* thereof for the dead: but I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, *and* have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.

15 Look [p] down from thy holy habitation,

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from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

16 ¶ This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

17 Thou hast [d] avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice:

18 And [f] the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised thee, and that *thou* shouldest keep all his commandments;

19 And to make thee [i] high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be [l] an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

CHAP. XXVII.

AND Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandments which I command you this day.

2 And it shall be on the day [o] when ye shall pass over Jordan unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaister them with plaister:

3 And [q] thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over, that thou mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee.

4 Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, *that* ye shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, [s] in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister.

5 And there shalt thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God, an altar of stones: [t] thou shalt not lift up *any* iron *tool* upon them.

6 Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD thy God:

7 And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before the LORD thy God.

8 And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly.

9 ¶ And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; [x] this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God.

10 Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.

11 ¶ And Moses charged the people the same day, saying,

12 These shall stand [z] upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin:

13 And [a] these shall stand upon mount Ebal [b] to curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

14 ¶ And [c] the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice,

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[d] Ex. 20. 4, 23. 34. 17. Le. 19. 4. 26. 1. Is. 44. 9. Ho. 13. 2.
[b] Nu. 5. 22. Je. 11. 5. 1 Co. 14. 16.
[e] Ex. 20. 12. Le. 19. 2. Pr. 20. 11, 17. Exe. 22 7. Mar. 7. 9. 13.
[d] Ex. 20. 19.
[e] Pr. 22 28.
[f] Le. 19. 14.
[g] ch. 7. 6. 14. 2. 28. 9. Ex. 6. 7. 19. 5, 6.
[h] Ex. 22 21, 22. Ps. 82. 3, 4. Pr. 17. 23. Mi. 3. 9. Mal. 3. 5.
[i] Ps. 148. 14.
[k] Le. 18. 6.
[l] 1 Co. 6. 19, 20. Tit. 2. 2, 14. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[m] Le. 20. 15.
[n] Le. 18. 9.
[o] Jos. 1. 11. 4. 1, &c.
[p] Le. 20. 14.
[r] Le. 24. 17. Nu. 35. 31.
[s] 2 Co. 3. 2, 3.
[t] Ex. 23. 7, 8. Ecc. 12. 12.
[u] ch. 28. 15. Ps. 119. 21. Je. 11. 3. Ga. 3. 10.
[v] ch. 11. 29. Jos. 8. 30. 33.
[x] Ex. 15. 26. Le. 26. 3. Is. 55. 2.
[y] Ex. 20. 25.
[z] Ro. 2. 7.
[a] Zec. 1. 6.
[b] Ps. 128. 1, 4.
[c] Ge. 30. 5.
[d] Ge. 22. 17. 49. 25. Ps. 107. 38. 127. 3. 128. 3. Pr. 10. 22. 1 Ti. 6.
[e] Ro. 6. 17, 18. 22.
[e] or, *dough*, or, *kneading trough*.
[f] Ps. 121. 8.
[g] ver. 25. Le. 21. 7, 8. 2 Sa. 22. 38. 41. Ps. 80. 23.
[h] Ju. 9. 7.
[i] Le. 25. 21.
† or, *barns*. Pr. 3. 10.
[k] ch. 15. 10.
[l] ch. 11. 29. Jos. 8. 33.
‡ *for a curse-ing*.
[m] Ex. 19. 5, 6.
[n] ch. 33. 10. Da. 9. 11.

15 Cursed [e] *be* the man that maketh *any* graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth *it* in *a* secret *place*. [d] And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.

16 Cursed [e] *be* he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

17 Cursed [e] *be* he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.

18 Cursed [f] *be* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.

19 Cursed [h] *be* he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

20 Cursed [k] *be* he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.

21 Cursed [m] *be* he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.

22 Cursed [n] *be* he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

23 Cursed [p] *be* he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.

24 Cursed [r] *be* he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen.

25 Cursed [t] *be* he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen.

26 Cursed [u] *be* he that confirmeth not *all* the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.

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AND it shall come to pass, [x] if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God [y] will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and [z] overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

3 Blessed [b] *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* [c] in the field.

4 Blessed *shall be* [d] the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

5 Blessed *shall be* thy basket and thy [e] store.

6 Blessed [f] *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.

7 The LORD [g] shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

8 The LORD shall [i] command the blessing upon thee in thy † storehouses, and in all that thou [k] settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

9 The [m] LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

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10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art [a] called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be [c] afraid of thee.

11 And [d] the LORD shall make thee plenteous [e] in goods, in the fruit of thy [f] body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

12 The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven [h] to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and [i] to bless all the work of thine hand: and [k] thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

13 And the LORD shall make thee [m] the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them*:

14 And [n] thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, *to* the right hand, or *to* the *left*, to go after other gods to serve them.

15 ¶ But it shall come to pass, [r] if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:

16 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.

17 Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.

18 Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

19 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.

20 The LORD shall send upon thee [r] cursing, [s] vexation, and [t] rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto [‖] for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

21 The LORD shall make [x] the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it.

22 The [y] LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the [z] sword, and with [a] blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.

23 And thy heaven that *is* over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that *is* under thee *shall be* iron.

24 The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

25 The [b] LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and [c] shalt be [§] removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

26 And [d] thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray *them* away.

27 The LORD will smite thee with [e] the botch of Egypt, and with [f] the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.

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[a] Nu. 6. 27. 2 Ch. 7. 14. Is. 63. 19. Da. 9. 8, 19.
[b] Je. 4. 9.
[c] ch. 11. 25.
[d] Pr. 10. 22.
[e] Job 5. 14. Is. 59. 10.
* or, *for good*
† *belly.*
[f] Job 31. 10. Je. 8. 10.
[g] Job 31. 8. Je. 12. 13. Am. 5. 11. Mi. 6. 15. Zep. 1. 13.
[h] Le. 26. 4.
[i] ch. 14. 29.
[k] ch. 20. 6.
[§] *to favour, use it as common meat,* as ch. 20. 6. ch. 15. 6.
[m] Is. 9. 14, 15.
[n] *shall not return to thee.*
[r] ch. 5. 32.
[s] Ps. 119. 82.
[t] Je. 5. 17.
[r] Le. 26. 14. La. 2. 17. Da. 9. 11, 13. Mal. 2. 2.
[s] 2 Ki. 17. 4, 6. 24. 12, 14. 25. 7, 11. 2 Ch. 33. 11. 36. 6, 20.
[t] Je. 16. 13.
[u] 1 Ki. 9. 7, 8. Je. 24. 9. 25. 9. Zec. 8. 13.
[x] Ps. 46. 14.
[y] Le. 26. 25.
[z] 1 Sa. 14. 20. Zec. 14. 13.
[a] Ps. 80. 16. Is. 30. 17. 51. 20. 66. 15.
[b] Mi. 6. 15. Hag. 1. 6.
[‖] *which thou wouldst do*
[c] Jos. 1. 4.
[d] Je. 24. 19.
[e] Le. 26. 16.
[f] *they shall not be thine*
[g] La. 1. 5.
† *or, drought*
[h] Am. 4. 9.
‡ *or, possess.*
[k] La. 1. 5.
[l] Is. 30. 17.
[m] Je. 15. 4. 24. 9. Ezr. 23. 46.
§ *for a removing.*
[n] 1 Sa. 17. 44, 46. Ps. 79. 2. Je. 7. 33. Is. 8. 18. Ezr. 14. 8.
[o] Ex. 9. 9.
[p] Ne. 9. 35, 37.
[q] 1 Sa. 5. 6. Ps. 78. 66.
[r] ch. 32. 15.

28 The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and [t] astonishment of heart:

29 And thou shalt [u] grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save *thee*.

30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: [x] thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: [y] thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not [z] gather the grapes thereof.

31 Thine ox *shall be* slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass *shall be* violently taken away from before thy face, and [a] shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep *shall be* given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue *them*.

32 Thy sons and thy daughters *shall be* given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and [b] fail *with longing* for them all the day long: and *there shall be* no might in thine hand.

33 The [c] fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway:

34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head.

36 The LORD shall [d] bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there [e] shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.

37 And thou shalt become [f] an astonishment, a proverb, [g] and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.

38 Thou [h] shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather *but* little in; for [i] the locust shall consume it.

39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress *them*, but shalt neither drink *of* the wine, nor gather *the grapes*; for the worms shall eat them.

40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil; for thine olive shall cast *his fruit*.

41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but [k] thou shalt not enjoy them; for [l] they shall go into captivity.

42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust † consume.

43 The stranger that *is* within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low.

44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: [m] he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.

45 Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:

46 And they shall be upon thee [n] for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever.

47 Because [o] thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, [p] for the abundance of *all things*;

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48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things*: and he [h] shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.

49 The [d] LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, [e] *as swift* as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not [†]understand;

50 A nation † of fierce countenance, [f] which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:

51 And he shall [i] eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, wine, or oil, *or* the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

52 And he shall [k] besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

53 And [m] thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own [l] body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:

54 *So that* the man *that is* tender among you, and very delicate, [r] his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward [s] the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he shall leave:

55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.

56 The tender and [u] delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,

57 And toward her [‡] young one that cometh out [x] from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.

58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this [y] glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD;

59 Then the LORD will make thy plagues [z] wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.

60 Moreover he will bring upon thee all [a] the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee.

61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which *is* not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD [‖] bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

62 And ye [b] shall be left few in number, whereas ye were [c] as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God.

63 And it shall come to pass, *that* as the LORD [m] rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD

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[d] Pr. 1. 26. Is. 1. 24.
[h] Jer. 28. 14.
[e] ch. 4. 27, 28. Le. 26. 33. Ne. 1. 8. Je. 16. 13.
[d] Je. 5. 15. 6. 22, 23. La. 19. 43.
[e] Je. 48. 40. 49. 22. La. 4. 19. Eze. 17. 3, 12. Ho. 8. 1.
[f] *hear.*
[†] *strong of face.* Pr. 7. 13. Ec. 8. 1. Da. 8. 23.
[f] Ge. 8. 9. Is. 57. 21. Am. 9. 4.
[g] 2 Ch. 36. 17. Is. 47. 6.
[h] La. 28. 26.
[i] Is. 1. 7. 62. 8.
[k] Le. 26. 16.
[l] 2 Ki. 25. 1, 2, 4.
[m] Job 7. 4.
[n] Le. 26. 29. 2 Ki. 6. 28, 29. Je. 19. 9. La. 2. 20. 4. 10.
[o] Je. 42. 7. Ho. 9. 12. 9. 3.
[‡] *belly.*
[p] ch. 17. 16.
[r] ch. 15. 9.
[s] ch. 13. 6. 2 Sa. 12. 3. Mi. 7. 5.
[t] ch. 5. 2, 3.
[u] Ez. 19. 4.
[v] Is. 3. 16. La. 4. 2, 6.
[x] ch. 4. 24. 7. 19. Ez. 9. 20, 21. 10. 7. Ne. 9. 9..11.
[y] Is. 6. 9, 10. 63. 17. Jno. 6. 63. Ac. 28. 26, 27. Ep. 4. 18. 2 Th. 2. 11, 12
[§] *after-birth.*
[z] ch. 8. 2..4.
[a] Ge. 49. 10.
[b] Ex. 16. 12. Ps. 78. 34, 35.
[c] Ex. 6. 3.
[d] Nu. 21. 23, 24, 33.
[e] Nu. 32. 33.
[f] De. 9. 12.
[g] 1 Ki. 2. 3.
[h] ch. 7. 15.
[‖] *cause to ascend.*
[i] ch. 4. 27.
[k] Jos. 9. 21, 23, 27.
[l] ch. 10. 22. Ne. 9. 23.
[m] *pass.*
[n] ch. 30. 9. Je. 32. 41.
[o] Ne. 10. 29.

[p] will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.

64 And the LORD [p] shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone.

65 And among these nations [f] shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: [k] but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and [k] sorrow of mind:

66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

67 In [m] the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

68 And the LORD [o] shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, [p] Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy *you*.

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THESE *are* the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside [r] the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

2 ¶ And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, [s] Ye have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;

3 The great [t] temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:

4 Yet [v] the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.

5 And [x] I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.

6 Ye [y] have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I *am* the LORD your God.

7 And when ye came unto this place, [z] Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:

8 And we took their land, and [a] gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

9 Keep [b] therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

10 ¶ Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of Israel,

11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from [c] the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:

12 That thou shouldest [d] enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and [e] into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:

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13 That he may [a] establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and *that* he may be unto thee a God, [d] as he hath said unto thee, and [e] as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

14 Neither with you only [f] do I make this covenant and this oath;

15 But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, [g] and also with *him* that *is* not here with us this day:

16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;

17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their [*] idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:)

18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, [m] whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; [n] lest there should be among you a root that beareth † gall and wormwood;

19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk [o] in the ‡ imagination of mine heart, [*] to add § drunkenness to thirst:

20 The LORD will not spare him, but then [r] the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD [s] shall blot out his name from under heaven.

21 And the LORD shall [t] separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that [u] are written in this book of the law:

22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses [v] which the LORD hath laid upon it;

23 *And that* the whole land thereof *is* brimstone, [a] and salt, *and* burning, *that* it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, [b] like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:

24 Even all nations shall say, [c] Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what *meaneth* the heat of this great anger?

25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and † *whom* he had not † given unto them:

27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, [d] to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:

28 And the LORD [e] rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day.

29 The secret *things belong* unto the LORD our God: but those *things which are* revealed *belong* unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

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[a] ch. 28. 9.
[b] Le. 26. 40.
[c] ch. xxviii.
[d] Ex. 6. 7.
[e] Ge. 17. 7.
[f] 1 Ki. 8. 47, 48.
[g] Je. 31. 31, 33. He. 8. 7, 8.
[h] Is. 55. 7. La. 3. 40. Joel 2. 12, 13. Ac. 2. 39. 1 Co. 7. 14.
[i] Ps. 109. 45. 125. 1, 4. Je. 29. 14. La. 3. 22, 32.
[l] Ps. 147. 2.
[*] *dung gods*
[m] De. 1. 9.
[n] ch. 11. 16.
[o] Ac. 8. 23. He. 12. 15.
† *rosh*, or, *a poisonful herb.*
[p] ch. 10. 16. Je. 32. 39. Eze. 11. 19. 36. 26. Jno. 3. 3, 7. Ro. 2. 28, 29. 2 Co. 5. 17. Col. 2. 11.
[r] Ec. 11. 9.
‡ or, *stubbornness.* Je. 3. 17. 7. 24.
[s] Is. 30. 1.
§ *the drunken to the thirsty.*
[t] Ps. 74. 1.
[u] ch. 9. 14.
[v] Mat. 24. 51.
[a] ch. 28. 11.
|| *is written.*
[y] ch. 29. 63. Je. 32. 41.
[z] 1 Co. 7. 19.
[*] *wherewith the LORD hath made it sick.*
[a] Je. 17. 6. Zep. 2. 9.
[b] Ge. 19. 24, 25. Je. 20. 16.
[c] Is. 45. 19.
[d] 1 Ki. 9. 8, 9.
[e] Jno. 3. 13. Ro. 10. 6, &c.
† or, *who had not given to them* any portion.
‡ *divided.*
[f] ch. 11. 26. Jno. 3. 16. Ga. 3. 13, 14. 5. 6.
[g] De. 9. 11, 13, 14.
[h] 1 Ki. 14. 15. 2 Ch. 7. 20. Pr. 2. 22.
[i] ch. 8. 19. Je. 23. 15, 16.

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AND [h] it shall come to pass, when [i] all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and [f] thou shalt call *them* to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee,

2 And shalt [k] return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;

3 That [l] then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and [f] gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.

4 If [m] *any* of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:

5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

6 And [p] the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.

7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.

8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day.

9 And [n] the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again [p] rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:

10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, [q] to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, *and* if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

11 ¶ For this commandment which I command thee this day, [r] it *is* not hidden from thee, neither *is* it far off.

12 It [r] *is* not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

13 Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

14 But the word *is* very nigh unto thee in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

15 ¶ See, [f] I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;

16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be driven away, and worship other gods, and serve them;

18 I [i] denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that* ye

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not prolong *your* days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.

19 I [c] call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

20 That thou mayest [d] love the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he *is* thy [e] life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

CHAP. XXXI.

AND Moses went and spake these words unto all Israel.

2 And he said unto them, I [f] *am* an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more [g] go out and come in: also the LORD hath said unto me, [f] Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

3 The LORD thy God, [h] he will go over before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them: *and* Joshua, he shall go over before thee, [i] as the LORD hath said.

4 And [j] the LORD shall do unto them [k] as he did to Sihon and to Og, kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed.

5 And [l] the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them according unto all the commandments which I have commanded you.

6 Be [m] strong and of a good courage, [n] fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, [o] he *it is* that doth go with thee; [p] he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

7 ¶ And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, [q] Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.

8 And the LORD, [r] he *it is* that doth go before thee: [s] he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

9 ¶ And Moses wrote this law, [t] and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, [u] which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel.

10 And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of *every* seven years, in the solemnity of the [v] year of release, [w] in the feast of tabernacles,

11 When all Israel is come to [x] appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose, [y] thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing.

12 Gather [z] the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that *is* within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

13 And *that* their children, [a] which have not known *any thing*, [b] may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, [c] Behold, thy days approach that thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tabernacle of the congregation, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the congregation.

15 And [d] the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar of a cloud: and the pillar of the cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle.

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt [e] sleep with thy fathers; and this people will rise up, and [f] go a whoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go *to be* among them, and will [g] forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them.

17 Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and [h] I will forsake them, and I will [i] hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall [k] befall them; so that they will say in that day, [l] Are not these evils come upon us, because our God *is* [m] not among us?

18 And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods.

19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel.

20 For when I shall have brought them into the land which I sware unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, [n] and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant.

21 And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that this song shall testify [o] against them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for [p] I know their imagination [q] which they [r] go about, even now, before I have brought them into the land which I sware.

22 ¶ Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel.

23 And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, [s] Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee.

24 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished,

25 That Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, saying,

26 Take this book of the law, [t] and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

27 For I know thy rebellion, and thy [u] stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death?

28 ¶ Gather unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them.

29 For I know that after my death ye will utterly [v] corrupt *yourselves*, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you [w] in

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[a] ch. 4. 26. 30. 19.
[b] Ex. 23. 9.
[c] Mat. 22. 37. Ro. 8. 28. 1 Co. 8. 3. Ja. 1. 12. 2. 5. 1 Jno. 4. 7. 16. 19. 5. 3, 4.
[d] Ps. 27. 1. 66. 9. Jno. 11. 25.
[e] *lie down.* 2 Sa. 7. 12.
[f] Ju. 2. 17.
[g] Ju. 10. 6, 13.
[h] 2 Ch. 15. 2.
[i] Ps. 104. 29. Is. 8. 17. 64. 7. Eze. 39. 23.
[j] ch. 34. 7. Ex. 7. 7.
[k] *And them.* No. 9. 32.
[l] Nu. 27. 17. 1 Ki. 3. 7.
[m] ch. 3 27. Nu. 32. 12. 27. 13.
[n] Jo. 6. 13.
[o] Nu. 14. 42.
[p] ch. 9. 3.
[q] ch. 3. 28. Nu. 27. 21.
[r] ch. 3. 21.
[s] Nu. 21. 34, 35
[t] ch. 7. 2.
[u] Jos. 10. 25. 1 Ch. 22. 13.
[v] No. 9. 26, 28. Ho. 13. 6.
[w] ch. 7. 25. 7. 16.
[x] ch. 20. 4.
[y] Jos. 1. 5. Ho. 13. 5.
[z] *before.*
[a] ch. 1. 38. 3. 28. Jos. 1. 6.
[b] Ho. 5. 3. 13. 5, 6. Jno. 3. 34, 35. Ac. 2. 23.
[c] Am. 5. 25, 26
[d] *do.*
[e] ch. 9. 3. Ex. 13. 21, 22. 33. 14.
[f] Jos. 1. 5, 9. 1 Ch. 28. 20.
[g] Jos. 1. 6.
[h] ch. 17. 18.
[i] Nu. 4. 15. Jos. 3. 3. 1 Ch. 15. 12. 15.
[k] ch. 15. 1.
[l] Le. 23. 34.
[m] ch. 16. 16.
[n] 2 Ki. 22. 3.
[o] Jos. 8. 34, 35. 2 Ki. 23. 2. Ne. 8. 1-3. &c.
[p] ch. 4. 10.
[q] Ex. 32. 9.
[r] ch. 11. 2.
[s] Ps. 78. 4, 7.
[t] Ju. 2. 19. Ho. 9. 9.
[u] Nu. 27. 13.
[v] Ge. 49. 1.

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the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands.

30 And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song, until they were ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

GIVE [d] ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

2 My [e] doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, [f] as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass.

3 Because I will publish the name of the LORD: [h] ascribe ye greatness unto our God.

4 *He is* [i] the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: [k] a God of truth and [l] without iniquity, just and right *is* he.

5 ¶ They have corrupted themselves, ‖ their spot *is* not *the spot* of his children: *they are* a [m] perverse and crooked generation.

6 Do ye thus [n] requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? *is* not he [o] thy father *that* hath [p] bought thee? hath he not [q] made thee, and established thee?

7 ¶ Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: [r] ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.

8 When the Most High [s] divided to the nations their inheritance, when he [t] separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.

9 For [u] the LORD's portion *is* his people; Jacob *is* the ‖ lot of his inheritance.

10 He found him [v] in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he [w] led him about, he instructed him, he [x] kept him as the apple of his eye.

11 As [y] an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:

12 *So* the LORD alone did lead him, and *there was* no strange god with him.

13 He [z] made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might [a] eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck [b] honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock;

14 Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, [c] with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.

15 ¶ But [d] Jeshurun waxed fat, and [e] kicked: [f] thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness;* then he forsook God *which* made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.

16 They [g] provoked him to jealousy with strange *gods*, with abominations provoked they him to anger.

17 They sacrificed unto devils, § not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new *gods that* came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.

18 Of the Rock *that* begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast [h] forgotten God that formed thee.

19 And when the LORD saw *it*, he [i] abhorred *them*, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.

20 And he said, I will hide my face

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[a] Is. 30. 9. Mat. 17. 17.
[b] Ac. 14. 15. Ro. 10. 19.
[d] Is. 1. 2.
[e] Jer. 2. 12.
[e] Is. 55. 10, 11. 1 Co. 3. 6. 8.
[f] Jo. 15. 14.
[g] Ps. 72. 6. Mi. 5. 7.
[h] or, *hath burned.*
† or, *hath consumed.*
[h] 1 Ch. 29. 11.
[i] 2 Sa. 22. 3. Ps. 19. 14. 46.
[k] Jo. 10. 10.
‡ *coals.*
[l] Job 34. 10.
§ *He hath corrupted to himself.*
‖ or, *that they are not his children, that is their blot.*
[m] 2 Co. 7. 5.
[n] Mat. 17. 17.
[o] *from the chambers.*
† *bereave.*
[p] Ps. 116. 12.
[q] Is. 63. 16.
[r] Ps. 74. 2.
[s] Is. 27. 11.
‡ *generation and generation.*
[t] Ps. 44. 1.
[u] Je. 19. 4.
§ or, *Our high hand, and not the LORD, hath done.*
[v] Ac. 17. 26.
[w] Ge. 11. 8.
[x] Is. 27. 11.
[y] Lu. 19. 42.
[z] 1 Sa. 10. 1.
[a] Is. 47. 7.
‖ *cord.*
[b] Je. 2. 6.
[c] or, *compassed him about.*
[d] Zec. 2. 8.
[e] Ps. 44. 12.
[f] Is. 46. 4. Ho 11. 3.
[g] 1 Sa. 2. 2.
[h] 1 Sa. 4. 6.
† or, *worm them, &c.*
[i] Is. 58. 14.
[k] Ro. 3. 13.
[l] Job 29. 6.
[m] Ro. 2. 5.
[n] He. 10. 30.
[o] Ps. 147. 14.
[p] Is. 44. 2.
[r] Ps. 135. 14.
[s] 1 Sa. 2. 29.
[t] Je. 5. 7, 28.
[u] Joel 2. 14.
‡ *horn.*
[v] 1 Ki. 14. 22.
§ or, *which were not God.* ver. 21
‖ *an hiding for you.*
[x] Je. 5. 22.
[o] or, *despised*
[y] Is. 1. 24.

from them, I will see what their end *shall be:* for they *are* a very froward generation, [o] children in whom *is* no faith.

21 They have moved me to jealousy with *that which is* not God; they have provoked me to anger [p] with their vanities: and [q] I will move them to jealousy with *those which are* not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation.

22 For *f* a fire is kindled in mine anger, and [s] shall burn unto the lowest hell, and † shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

23 I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them.

24 *They shall be* burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.

25 The [m] sword without, and terror [n] within, shall † destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray hairs.

26 I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men:

27 Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries [o] should behave themselves strangely, *and* lest they should say, § Our hand *is* high, and the LORD hath not done all this.

28 For they *are* a nation void of counsel, [y] neither *is there any* understanding in them.

29 O [z] that they were wise, *that* they understood this, [a] *that* they would consider their latter end!

30 How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock [b] had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?

31 For [c] their rock *is* not as our Rock, [d] even our enemies themselves *being* judges.

32 For their vine *is* † of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes *are* grapes of gall, their clusters *are* bitter:

33 Their wine *is* the poison of dragons, and the cruel [e] venom of asps.

34 *Is* not this [m] laid up in store with me, *and* sealed up among my treasures?

35 To [g] me *belongeth* vengeance, and recompense; their foot shall slide in *due* time: for the day of their calamity *is* at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste.

36 For [h] the LORD shall judge his people, [i] and repent himself for his servants, when he seeth that *their* † power is gone, and *there is* none shut up, or left.

37 And he shall say, Where *are* the gods, *their* rock in whom they trusted,

38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, *and* drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, *and* be ‖ your protection.

39 See now that I, *even* I, *am* he, and *there is* no god with me: I kill, and make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither *is there any* that can deliver out of my hand.

40 For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.

41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

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42 I will make mine arrows [a] drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; *and that* with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.

43 ¶ Rejoice, [o] O ye nations, *with* his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and [g] will be merciful unto his land, *and* to his people.

44 ¶ And Moses came and spake all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and [h] Hoshea the son of Nun.

45 And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel:

46 And he said unto them, [i] Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law.

47 For it *is* not a vain thing for you; [k] because it is your life: and through this thing ye shall prolong *your* days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

48 And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying,

49 Get thee up into this [m] mountain Abarim, *unto* mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of Moab, that *is* over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession:

50 And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people; as [n] Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people:

51 Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of [o] Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel.

52 Yet [p] thou shalt see the land before *thee*; but thou shalt not go thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel.

CHAP. XXXIII.

AND this *is* the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death.

2 And he said, [q] The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with [r] ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went [s] a fiery law for them.

3 Yea, [t] he loved the people; [u] all his saints *are* in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; *every one* shall [x] receive of thy words.

4 Moses [y] commanded us a law, *even* the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.

5 And he was [z] king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people *and* the tribes of Israel were gathered together.

6 ¶ Let [a] Reuben live, and not die; and let not his men be few.

7 ¶ And this *is the blessing* of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring him unto his people: let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou an help *to him* from his enemies.

8 ¶ And of Levi he said, [b] *Let* thy Thummim and thy Urim *be* with thy holy one, [c] whom thou didst prove at Massah, *and with* whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;

9 Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not [d] seen him; [e] neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for [f] they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant.

10 [g] They shall [h] teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: [i] they shall put incense before thee, [k] and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.

11 Bless, LORD, his substance, and [l] accept the work of his hands: smite through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again.

12 ¶ *And* of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; *and the LORD* shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders.

13 ¶ And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD *be his* land, for the precious things of heaven, for [m] the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

14 And for the precious fruits *brought forth* by the sun, and for the precious things [n] put forth by the [i] moon,

15 And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things [o] of the lasting hills,

16 And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and *for* the good will of [p] him that dwelt in the bush: let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him *that was* separated from his brethren.

17 His glory *is like* the [q] firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* [r] the horns of [s] unicorns: with them [t] he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh.

18 ¶ And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.

19 They shall [u] call the people unto the mountain: there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck *of* the abundance of the seas, and *of* treasures hid in the sand.

20 ¶ And of Gad he said, Blessed *be* he that [x] enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head.

21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, *in* a portion of the lawgiver, was *he* [y] seated; and [z] he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel.

22 ¶ And of Dan he said, Dan *is* a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Bashan.

23 ¶ And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of the LORD: [a] possess thou the west and the south.

24 ¶ And of Asher he said, *Let* Asher *be* blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him [b] dip his foot in oil.

25 [c] Thy shoes *shall be* iron and brass; and as thy days, *so shall* thy strength *be*.

26 ¶ *There is* [d] none like unto the God of Jeshurun, [e] *who* rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

27 The eternal God *is thy* [f] refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy *them*.

28 Israel [g] then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob *shall be* upon a land of corn and wine; also his [h] heavens shall drop down dew.

29 Happy [i] *art* thou, O Israel: [k] who

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[a] Jer. 46. 10.
[b] Je. 18. 18. Mal. 2. 5, 6.
[c] or, *Let them teach, &c.*
[d] Exo. 4. 14, 24
[e] or, *let them put incense at thy nose*
[f] Ps. 51. 19.
[g] or, *Praise his people, ye nations*: or, *Sing ye.*
[h] Ko. 12. 10.
[i] 2 Sa. 24. 23. Ps. 20. 3. Exo. 20. 40, 41
[k] Ps. 85. 1.
[l] or, *Joshua.*
[m] Exo. 40. 4.
[n] Ge. 27. 28.
[o] Ho. 10. 5.
[p] *thrust.*
[q] *moons.*
[r] Hab. 3. 6.
[s] Nu. 33. 47, 48
[t] Ex. 3. 2, 4. Ac. 7. 30, 35.
[u] 1 Chr. 5. 1.
[x] Nu. 23. 22. Ps. 92. 10.
[y] *an unicorn*
[z] 1 Ki. 22. 11. Ps. 44. 5.
[a] Nu. 20. 25, 28
[b] or, *strife at Kadesh.*
[c] Je. 2. 3.
[d] Nu. 27. 12.
[e] Ps. 4. 5.
[f] 1 Chr. 12. 8.
[g] Ju. 5. 4, 5. Hab. 3. 3.
[h] *exiled.*
[i] Jos. 4. 12.
[k] Ps. 68. 17. Da. 7. 10. Ac. 7. 53. Ga. 3. 19. He. 2. 2.
[l] *a fire of law.*
[m] Ho. 11. 1. Mal. 1. 2.
[n] 1 Sa. 2. 9. Ps. 50. 5.
[o] Pr. 2. 1.
[p] Jno. 1. 17. 7. 19.
[q] Jos. 19. 32.
[r] Ju. 9. 2.
[s] Job 29. 6.
[t] Ge. 49. 3. 27.
[u] or, Under *thy shoes* shall be *iron.*
[x] Ps. 86. 8. Je. 10. 6.
[y] Ps. 68. 4, 33, 34. 104. 3. Hab. 3. 8.
[z] Ps. 90. 1.
[a] Ex. 29. 30.
[b] Ex. 17. 7.
[c] Nu. 23. 9. Je. 23. 6. 33. 16.
[d] Ge. 27. 28. 1 Ch. 17. 17. Job 37. 24.
[e] Ex. 33. 26.. 28.
[f] Ps. 144. 15.
[g] 2 Sa. 7. 23.

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is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, [a] the shield of thy help, and who *is* the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies [b] shall [c] be found liars unto thee; and [d] thou shalt tread upon their high places.

CHAP. XXXIV.

AND Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of §Pisgah, that *is* over against Jericho. And the LORD shewed him all the land of Gilead, [e] unto Dan,

2 And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea,

3 And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.

4 And the LORD said unto him, [f] This *is* the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: [m] I have caused thee to see *it* with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.

5 ¶ So [g] Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD.

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[a] Ps. 115. 9., 11.
[b] Jude 9.
[c] or, *shall be subdued.*
[d] 2 Sa. 22. 43. Ps. 18. 44. 66. 3. 81. 15.
[e] ch. 32. 13.
[f] Ge. 27. 1. ch. 10. Jos. 14. 10, 11
† *moisture.*
‡ *Red.*
§ or, *the hill.* Nu. 20. 28.
[f] Ge. 50. 3, 10.
[g] Ge. 14. 14.
[h] Is. 11. 2. Da. 6. 3.
[i] Nu. 27. 18, 23
[k] Ge. 12. 7.
[l] Ex. 33. 11.
[m] ch. 3. 27. 32. 52.
[n] Jos. 1. 1, 2.

6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but [h] no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

7 ¶ And Moses *was* an hundred and twenty years old when he died: † his eye was not dim, nor his † natural force ‡ abated.

8 ¶ And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab / thirty days: so the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses were ended.

9 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the [k] spirit of wisdom; for [l] Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.

10 ¶ And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, [i] whom the LORD knew face to face,

11 In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land,

12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.

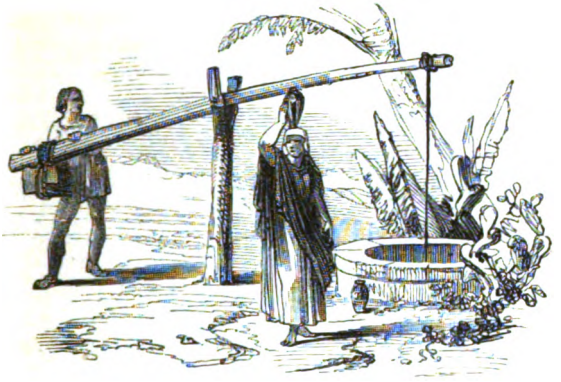
EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Ch. VIII. 7.—**EASTERN WELL.** Water is one of the greatest luxuries of the East. Springs are guarded with special care, and claimed as precious property. Hence the contests about wells of which we read, Gen. xxvi. 18, &c. In Judea they have both wells and cisterns, but the latter are supplied with rain-water only, the former from springs. Some of these are made for the use of those that dwell in the neighbourhood, and some for travellers. The Mahommedans have opened springs and formed wells for the accommodation of Mahommedan pilgrims in their journeys to Mecca, and the same thing seems to have been done by the devout Israelites in the valley of Baca, to facilitate their going up to Jerusalem, to which there is allusion in the 84th Psalm. At one of these wells our Lord met the woman of Samaria. It is, however, supposed by some, that the well usually pointed out by tradition in the East as the same, is not so: for our Lord speaks of giving living water, in opposition to stagnant; and hence it is inferred that it was rather a reservoir of rain-water than a living well where they held their discourse. Jno. iv. 10. The well now shewn for that well is supplied by springs.

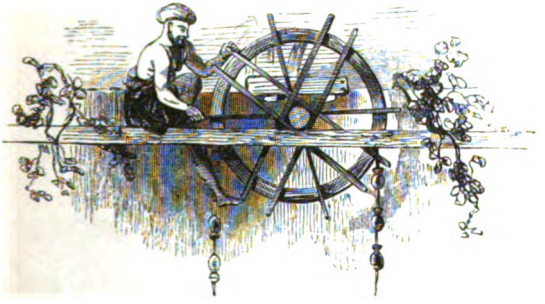
Ch. XI. 10.—**WATERING MACHINE.** A contrast is drawn in the text above referred to, between the land of Canaan and Egypt. Palestine is a country which has rains, plentiful dews, springs, rivulets, and brooks, which supply the earth with the moisture necessary to its fruitfulness; whereas Egypt has no rivers but the Nile; and as it seldom rains, the lands which are not within reach of the inundation continue parched and barren. To supply this want, ditches are dug, and water is distributed throughout the several villages and cantons by the help of machines, one of which Philo describes as a wheel which a man turns with the motion of his feet, by ascending successively the several steps that are within it. But as, while he is thus continually turning, he cannot keep himself up, he holds a stay in his hands which is not moveable, and this supports him: so that in this work the hands do the office of the feet, and the feet that of the hands. The treadmill was invented on the same principle. Dr. Shaw gives another illustration of watering with the foot. He says, 'Such vegetable productions as require more moisture than what is occasioned by the inundation [of the Nile] are refreshed by water drawn out of the river by instruments, and lodged afterwards in capacious cisterns. When, therefore, their various sorts of pulse, melons, sugar canes, &c., require to be refreshed, they strike out the plugs that are fixed in the bottoms of the cisterns: and then the water, gushing out, is conducted from one rill to another by the gardener, who is always ready, as occasion requires, to stop and divert the torrent, *by turning the earth against it by his foot*, and opening at the same time with his mattock a new trench to receive it.' Besides these methods, which appear to have been in use in the early ages, there are others now in use, and perhaps they are as ancient, though not alluded to in the text. The most common machine for raising water consists of two posts placed about three feet apart, with a piece of wood extending across, and fastened to the top of each. To this cross-bar a lever is suspended, having at one end a weight, generally of clay or mud, and the other two long palm sticks, suspending a vessel by which water is conveyed into a trough, and from thence runs into the different gutters and squares. But the most efficient water machine is a wheel worked generally by oxen, which raises water into a trough. How many beautiful similes does the Bible afford, drawn from the precious article of water, which we in our northern and well-watered land can scarcely feel!

Ch. XXIV. 6.—**EASTERN MILLSTONES.** These are in common use in all corn countries where rude and ancient customs have not been liable to those changes introduced by refinement. By means of these simple instruments the grain is reduced to meal. They consist of a lower millstone, the upper side of which is concave, and an upper millstone, the lower surface of which is convex. The hole for receiving the corn is in the top, and about the centre of the upper millstone; and in the operation of grinding the lower is fixed, and the upper made to move round upon it with considerable velocity by means of a handle. Not only are these mills still in use in the East, but they are to be seen also in some parts of Scotland. Dr. E. Clark says, 'In the island of Cyprus I observed upon the ground the sort of stones used for grinding corn, called *querns* in Scotland, common also in Scotland, and in all parts of Palestine. These are the primeval mills of the world. Grinding with them is extremely laborious, and in the East is esteemed the lowest employment in the house, about which they set their black servants only, and those that are the least fit for any thing else. Females usually do the work of grinding. This practice illustrates the prophetic observation of our Saviour, Mat. xxiv. 41. Mr. Pennant, in his Tour to the Hebrides, has given a particular account of these handmills, as used in Scotland. He observes, that the women always accompany the grating sound of the stones with their voices; and that when ten or a dozen are thus employed, the fury of the song rises to such a pitch, that you would, without breach of charity, imagine a troop of female demoniacs to be assembled. As the operation of grinding was usually performed in the morning at daybreak, the sound of the females at the handmill was heard all over the city, which often awoke their more indolent masters. The Scriptures mention the want of this noise as a mark of desolation, in Jer. xxv. 10, and Rev. xviii. 22. There was a human law that no man should take the upper or nether millstone in pledge, for he taketh a man's life in pledge. Deut. xxiv. 6. life could not grind his daily bread without it.

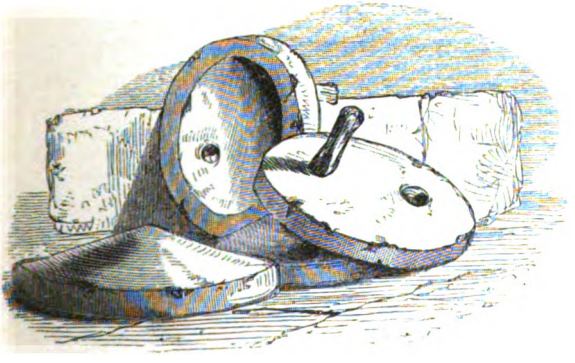
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EASTERN WELL.— *Original Sketch.*—Deut. viii. 7.



WATERING MACHINE.— *Denon.*—Deut. xi. 10.



EASTERN MILLSTONES.— *Rae Wilson.*—Deut. xxiv. 6.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO GENESIS.

Ch. I.—5. *The evening and the morning were the first day.* The Jews and Mahommedans measure the day from sunset to sunset; hence the night, with the following day, make their day. This accounts for the expression here used.

Ch. II.—8. *Eden.* The richest soil in the Turkish empire is found on the banks of the Euphrates, where Eden is thought to have been planted. What a paradise has man lost! What a paradise has Christ regained! 12. *Bdellium.* A sort of pearl. *Onyx.* A precious stone resembling the human nail.

Ch. III.—18. *Thorns.* The *Spinoes Vulgaris* allows scarcely anything to grow near it, shoots its roots and scetors on all sides, and covers whole tracts of ground. *Thistles.* One kind produces above a hundred heads, each containing from three to four hundred seeds; and a few successive crops would fill the earth.

Ch. IV.—21. *Father.* A Jewish and Arabian mode of speaking of an originator or head. *Organ.* Reeds set in a row of various heights and thicknesses, and blown into by moving them successively under the lower lip.

Ch. VI.—14. *Gopher.* Thought to mean the cypress, a durable wood.

Ch. VII.—20. *Fifteen cubits.* About eight yards deep on the top of the highest mountain.

Ch. VIII.—1. *Wind.* Evaporating winds are frequent in the East; a friend of Dr. A. Clarke, after bathing in the Tigris, was dried, skin and garment, in one moment, by the breath of a hot wind. 4. *Ararat.* A mountain of Armenia, with two peaks, between which the ark is supposed to have rested. The lowest peak is twelve thousand seven hundred feet high; the highest is sixteen thousand feet, and its top may be seen at two hundred miles distance. The Persians call it Mount Noah. 11. *Olive leaf.* Rather 'branch:' the dove feeds upon the olive; this tree will grow and continue green many months under water.—Pliny. 22. *Seed-time, &c.* These six divisions for agricultural purposes are still in use among the Arabs.

Ch. IX.—4. *The blood.* The Abyssinians eat flesh cut out from the live animal, and prolong its existence to cut out more. This cruelty is here prohibited.

Ch. X.—5. *Isles of the Gentiles.* Among the Jews these did not simply mean isles, but all countries beyond the seas. 6. *Mizraim.* Egypt—known to this day in the East as the land of Misr. 10. *Babel.* No one doubts that the first post-diluvian city of which we have any record, was the original of that great city in the Euphrates, which afterwards acquired such fame as the capital of the Babylonian empire. 11. *Nineveh.* (See note on Assyria, page 660.)

Ch. XI.—3. *Brick.* Diodorus Siculus says, from Ctesias, that the walls of Babylon were built of bricks cemented by bitumen. (See cut and note, end of Exod.) *Slime.* Travellers state that heaps of Babylonian pitch are found near the Euphrates, where Babylon stood. 4. *Tower.* This is reckoned at five hundred feet.

Ch. XII.—11. *Fair.* The Syrian was much fairer than the Egyptian. 14. *Beheld.* From the Egyptian monuments, it appears that the women then went unveiled: the custom was altered when the Persians conquered the country.

Ch. XIII.—3. *And Lot also.—had flocks, &c.* The order of travelling among the Arabs to this day is in divisions:—1. Sheep and goats; 2. Camels and asses; 3. Old men, women, boys and girls on foot, children carried by young women or boys and girls, children carrying the youngest kids; 4. The emir or chief, with the heads of each family, on horseback, and many servants on foot. 10. *Jordan.* (See cut and note, end of 2 Kings.)

Ch. XIV.—1. *Shinar,* Babylon. *Elam,* Persia. 5. *Rephaims,* 'giants' in stature, a tribe of Canaan, ch. xv. 20; identified with Bashan. *Zuzims,* a gigantic race east of Jordan. *Emims,* native tribes of the north-eastern Canaanites. 6. *Horites,* signifies 'dwellers in caves,' Troglodytes, afterwards expelled by Esau's sons, when the country was called Edom or Idumea. 10. *Vale of Siddim.* The extensive valley through which the River Jordan flows, and on which stood Sodom, &c. *Slime pits,* ch. xi. 3, note. 10. *Fled to the mountain.* This method of taking refuge against oppression or invasion was common. An English ambassador, in Persia, travelling with 2000 horsemen, they were mistaken for invaders, and the inhabitants of fifteen villages on the track sought safety in flight, so that not a morsel of food could be obtained. 14. *Trained servants.* Trained for war. *Three hundred, &c.* Several Arabian tribes can bring no more than 300 or 400 horses into the field, so that Abraham was a considerable prince at the head of a powerful clan. 15. *By night, and smote them.* This is the favourite Arab mode of warfare, when the camp are asleep, as they have no sentinels. The tent-poles are often knocked down, and the sleepers, enveloped in their tent clothes, become an easy conquest. *Left.* The North was left, the South right, the hind-part West; and the East considered the fore-part of the world, the face being supposed towards it. *Damascus.* (See notes and cuts end of Genesis and Galatians.) Lord Lindsay paints the scene with a single stroke. 'Oh how lovely the city with her picturesque minarets, like a fleet sailing through a sea of verdure!' 18. *Salem.* (See note and cut end of Hebrews.) 23. *Latchet,* or string, used to fasten the ancient sandals or soles to the feet. This was the form of taking a solemn oath.

Ch. XV.—3. *Born in my house.* It is still a custom found in India for the master of a family to adopt a slave, and marry him to a daughter. 5. *Tell the stars.* The stars in the East are unusually large and brilliant from the clearness of the atmosphere, on which account many more are visible to the naked eye than in our northern sky.—Bonar and M'Cheyne. 10. *Divided.* After cutting the throat and pouring out the blood, the carcase was divided lengthwise, and the parts opposite each other, when the contracting parties met in the middle and took the oath. The Greeks and Romans adopted this as well as the Hebrews. 18. *River of Egypt.* Probably the Nile is meant.

Ch. XVI.—1. *Handmaid.* A female slave, probably brought by Abraham from Egypt. The female slaves among the Jews, as they are still in the East, were wholly under the control of the mistress of the family. 3. *To be his wife.* A secondary wife or 'concubine.' This was a custom in the patriarchal age. The children of these marriages never inherited the father's property. Similar practices still exist in the East under the Mohammedan law.

Ch. XVII.—3. *Fell—face.* The Mohammedans worship in these attitudes, placing the body on the hands and knees, and bending the forehead to the ground. Mat. ii. 11. (See note and cut end of 1 Chron.) 10. *Circumcised.* Herodotus, and from him Rosenmuller, supposes that this rite was already known to Abraham, and was previously practised for cleanliness among the Egyptians and Ethiopians; but it is more likely that the Egyptians borrowed the custom from the Israelites. 23. *Thirteen.* At this age the Arabians now circumcise their sons, as do all the Mohammedans. 27. *Men—bought.* Slaves in ancient times were such from captivity in war, Deu. xx. 14, &c.; debts, 2 Kin. iv. 1, &c.; theft, Ex. xxii. 3, &c.; man-stealing, Ex. xxi. 16, &c.; being children of slaves, Gen. xiv. 14, &c.; purchase, Lev. xxv. 44.

Ch. XVIII.—1. *Sat, &c.* Addison says, in his 'Damascus,' old men with grey hairs still seat themselves 'at the tent doors, as in the time of father Abraham.' The chief or sheik's tent is conveniently pitched to invite strangers. The Apostle Paul includes hospitality among Christian duties. 2. *Lift up his eyes.* An Eastern mode of expression, still used for looking earnestly at an object. *Ran to meet.* So the Persian hastens to meet a superior at the street or room door. 4. *Wash your feet.* This is a most grateful part of hospitality, in the East especially, where impalpable sand penetrates and irritates the skin, though it be even well guarded, but more needful where sandals only are used. *Rest yourselves under the tree, &c.* In India, travellers and guests continually sit under the shade of trees: even feasts are never held in houses. About a mile to the north-west of Hebron is a venerable oak, 200 feet in circum-

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ference and 81 feet in diameter. This is shewn as Abraham's oak. Doubtless under such a tree he spread refreshments for his heavenly guests. 6. *Unto Sarah.* Ladies of distinction in the East still perform kitchen duties. *Measures.* 'Seahs,' each containing about two gallons and a half. *Kneaded it.* Eastern ladies in villages and camps always proceed to this work on the arrival of strangers; for bread is only provided for each day, as the heat soon spoils it. *Make cakes upon the hearth.* Metal plates or iron pans are sometimes used, on which the dough is spread; but over a large extent of country, except in towns where there are ovens, the hearth is made hot and swept, the dough an inch thick is laid upon it, and covered with hot ashes and embers: in a quarter of an hour it is turned, and it is then soon ready. 7. *Fetcht a calf.* The Arabs never indulge in animal food but at some festival, or on the arrival of a stranger, and they are fond of fresh-killed meat. 8. *Butter, and milk.* Arab food well prepared, swims in butter. Milk is of sheep or goat's: it is sometimes sweet, often sour, coagulated and diluted, and frequently butter-milk is used. The Arabs have likewise excellent clotted cream. They also drink camel's milk; cow's milk is not valued.

Ch. XIX.—1. *Sat in the gate.* (See note and cut end of Ruth.) 21. *Accepted thee.* The Hebrew is 'lifted up thy face,' in allusion to the prostrate attitude of the suppliant petitioner, whom the prince or potentate commands to be raised up when his petition is granted. 24. *Brimstone and fire.* Here were numerous bitumen pits, and the towns were on a mine of combustible matter. 26. *Pillar of salt.* 'We may suppose,' says Bush, 'with great probability, that the saline and sulphureous matter, which in consequence of the eruption was showering down from the atmosphere, gathered round the unfortunate woman as a nucleus, forming a thick incrustation, which gradually became hardened, till at last she stood a massive pillar of this mineral matter, capable of resisting, perhaps for ages, the action of time and the elements.' 30. *Cave.* It is still customary for shepherds in those parts to occupy their immense caverns where they shelter the cattle while pasturing in the neighbourhood.

Ch. XX.—2. *Abimelech.* The name signifies 'father and king,' and was given to the Philistine kings in succession, as Pharaoh was to the kings of Egypt. 16. *A covering of the eyes.* Dr. Boothroyd renders the text, "Behold I have given to thy brother a thousand pieces of silver to purchase veils for thee." It would seem that the Philistine women wore veils, while the pastoral women did not. Kitto observes, that in the towns bordering on Arabia, the townswomen glide along the streets completely muffled up, while the Arab females go about with their eyes and great part of their faces exposed to view.

Ch. XXI.—8. *A great feast—weaned.* In the East, the infant is suckled two or three years, at the close of which a feast is given, of which the child partakes. 9. *Son—mocking.* The birth of Isaac made a change in Ishmael's condition; and the change is quite conformable to the usages of the East, where the son of a female slave would certainly be superseded by the son of a free-woman afterwards born. In this way, Abbas Meerza, the present king of Persia, superseded his elder brother on the throne. 14. *Took bread, &c.* 'Those who undertake a journey,' says Addison, the traveller, 'furnish themselves, at the present day, with a bottle of water and a provision of bread, such as Abrahaam put upon the shoulder of Hagar.'—*Bottle.* (See note and cut end of Psalms.) 21. *Took him a wife.* The business of marriage in the East is generally managed by the parents, and more especially by the mother. 23. *Swear—not deal falsely.* 'The great people among them,' says Broughton, 'and, after joining hands, repeated a kind of prayer, by which they declared themselves and their children accursed, if ever they lifted up their hands against me in the field, a field in the desert; or, in case that I, or mine, should fly to them for refuge, if they did not protect us, at the risk of their lives, their families, and their fortunes; or, as they emphatically expressed it, 'to the death of the last male child among them.'' 25. *A well.* (See note and cut end of Deut.)

Ch. XXII.—2. *Land of Moriah.* (See note and cut end of Genesis.) 3. *Saddled.* The ancient eastern saddle was probably nothing more than a kind of rug or mat of straw girded to the beast. When Hasselquist was at Alexandria, he procured an ass with an Arabian saddle, which consisted only of a cushion. Robinson says, 'rather, he threw his cloak over the animal.' 8. *Lamb.* The Hebrew word is used for the young either of the sheep or goat. 17. *Possess the gate.* (See note, ch. xxiv. 60.) 24. *Concubine.* Secondary wife: wives were taken by bills of dowry and solemn espousals, but concubines without. The concubine could not be sold.

Ch. XXIII.—2. *Hebron.* Now a village called Hebroun. It is twenty-seven miles south of Jerusalem. 3. *Stood up.* The custom was to sit on the ground, pensive and mourning.—Job ii. 13. 6. *Sepulchres.* (See note and cut end of Isaiah.) 7. *Bowed.* Most probably after the Egyptian manner, mentioned by Herodotus, and which is that seen in devotion at the present day. 9. *As much money.* This is the first money transaction of which we read in the world. Till then, and long after, barter or exchange was the only mode of traffic. (See note, ch. xxxiii. 19.) 10. *All that went in at the gate.* No legal writings then existed, and these transactions were done as the gates, where people going in and out might furnish enough of witnesses. 11. *My lord—the field give I thee.* This is quite Oriental: the term of respect is Oriental; the proffer of the field is the same. It is a mere ceremony: thus Abraham understands and bought the field accordingly. 15. *Shekels of silver.* Worth each about two shillings and sixpence. *Me and thee.* An European would say, *thee and me*, but the placing oneself first is no breach of manners in the East. 19. *Buried—in the cave.* (See note and cut end of Isaiah.)

Ch. XXIV.—4. *And take a wife.* Every Bedouin Arab endeavours to marry among near relations. In Bengal a young person is like Isaac; and parents employ persons to seek wives for their sons. 11. *Caused to kneel.* Dr. Shaw thus describes the manner of his resting at night: 'Our camels were made to kneel down in a circle about us, with their faces looking from us, and their respective loads or saddles placed behind them.' *Women—draw water.* Evening and the cool of the morning are the times when the women draw water. It is a fatiguing employment, and if the well be the distance of a mile, the Bedouins go sometimes twice every evening, and bring home on their backs long and heavy bags of water. (See note and cut end of Lam.) 14. *And she shall say, Drink.* The women, when they are at the wells in the evening, are generally obliging to travellers. 15. *Pitcher upon her shoulder.* Probably suspended by a leather strap fastened to the handle. 16. *To look upon.* To a traveller in the East, the best opportunities of making his observations on the females will occur at the wells, unmarried females going unveiled, or only partially veiled, as is still the case in India and among the Arabian and other nomade tribes. *She went down.* Descents to wells are not common in the East, but this seems to have been an exception. Some conjecture it was merely a reservoir of rain water. There is at Cairo, in Egypt, what is called 'Joseph's well,' having a winding descent of 180 *feet.* 22. *Took a golden earring.* The women dress themselves to the best advantage to appear at the wells; and hence Abraham's servant might, without any incongruity, invest Rebekah with the ornaments he had brought. Boothroyd renders 'earring' a 'pendant,' a circular pendant worn at this day by the women of Arabia, not in the ear, but in the nose, or 'a nose ring,' as the Arab and Persian Versions read. It is worn from the external cartilage of the nostril, which is pierced for the purpose. (See cut.)



22. *Two bracelets—ten shekels weight of gold.* About four ounces and a half. Bedouin women are always richly decked. The bracelets are of gold, silver, plated

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steel, amber, coral, mother-of-pearl, and beads. They are often as large and round as the finger, several rows of these are worn. They are common throughout Asia. The poor wear them of copper, horn, glass beads, &c. 25. *Straw.* Hay is not made in the East. Cattle are fed with chopped straw, mixed with barley. *Provender* consists of cut straw, barley, beans, &c. mixed together to make them palatable. 28. *Mother's house.* The female apartments or huts are separate from those of the men; and the daughters are most familiar with the mothers. 33. *I will not eat, until.* The Africans have a custom which illustrates this text. Any one wanting a favour proclaims himself a guest, and then declares he will neither taste the salt nor use the carpet till his request is granted; and this request, if reasonable, is not denied. 51. *Take her, and go.* All this is precisely analogous to usages which still prevail in the East. 57. *Enquire of her mouth.* This expression is the same as is used among the Hindoos. 59. *Her nurse.* The nurse in Eastern families is, and always has been, considered as an important personage. 60. *Blessed Rebekah.* Nuptial benedictions were used by the Jews, Greeks, and Romans. *Mother of thousands of millions.* Thus Eastern beggars bless the benefactor, and say, 'Ah, madam, millions will come from you.' *Possess he gate.* The delivery of the keys of a town is a token of subjunction; hence the phrase means 'have dominion over.' 64. *She lighted.* Even now, in the East, women show this mark of respect to men. 65. *Took a veil.* The heathen brides were anciently covered with a veil, and the practice is almost universal in the East.

Ch. XXV.—16. *Princes.* Chiefs or heads of tribes. 27. *A plain man.* 'The richest sheik,' says Burckhardt, 'lives like the meanest of his Arabs; his dress and his fare are the same.' (See note and cut end of pb.) *In tents.* (See note and cut end of Gen.) 30. *Red pottage.* In Egypt and Barbary, lentiles boiled and stewed with oil and garlic make a chocolate-coloured pottage: doubtless the same. 31. *Birthright.* Calmet thinks that the birthright did not itself include more than a double portion of the paternal inheritance. Authority, the benediction and the priesthood, as he thinks, were conceded:—but in Heb. xii. 16, Esau is called 'profane' for selling his birthright. 34. *Pottage of lentiles,* or, sometimes, of common in Egypt and Syria. 'We found them,' says Robinson, 'very palatable, and could well conceive that to a weary hunter, faint with hunger, they might be quite a dainty.'

Ch. XXVI.—12. *An hundred-fold.* No doubt this was owing to the Divine blessing; but that the ground was capable of such a production is confirmed by Varro, who says 'that in Syria, near Gadara, they reaped a hundred measures sown.' compare Mat. xiii. 8. 18. *Stopped them.* The Arabs are now paid by the Turks not to injure the wells on the way to Mecca. In the tenth century this very thing was done by one Giannabi, a rebel, who filled up those wells with sand. 18. *Their names.* In like manner these wells became permanent monuments of geography, and it is thought an honour to have given them. 19. *Springing water.* (See note and cut end of Gen.)

Ch. XXVII.—3. *Take me some venison.* Oriental shepherds never diminish their flocks but when visited by strangers; hence the request to get game. 9. *Kids—savoury meat.* With the mixture used by the Orientals of butter, salts, spices, garlic, onions, vegetable acids, or honey, or vegetable sweets, Isaac could not well discern between venison and the kid. There is a savoury stuffing of raisins, pistachio nuts, almonds, and husked corn of rice, much admired in the East, and with which the real flavor of the flesh is lost. 18. *May eat—savoury meat.* Eating and drinking were used among the Asiatics on almost all religious occasions. 15. *Goodly raiment.* Some suppose this was the sacred stole used mainly in the sacerdotal office, received from ancestors, and kept by the mother of the family in sweet-scented chests or wardrobes, to preserve them from moths; Williams supposes, with probability, that it was a hunting dress of Esau's, and so smelt strongly of the field. *House.* So the Bedouins often call the tent. 16. *Skins—hands.* In the Eastern countries goats' hair is very like that of men. —So Bochart. 26. *Kiss.* A sign of affection and reverence. 27. *Smelled.* Instead of saluting, as in England, the Hindoos smell each other, and pass compliments on the scent. *Smell of his raiment.* The Orientals sprinkle their clothes with sweet scented oil, and fumigate them with incense or sweet scented wood, and also sew the wood of the aloe in their clothes. *Smell of a field.* Pliny observes, 'that the land after a long drought, moistened by the rain, exhales a delightful odour with which nothing can be compared;' and he further remarks, 'it is a sign of a fruitful soil when it emits an agreeable smell after it has been ploughed.' 28. *Dew.* Throughout Palestine, and all Western Asia, rain rarely, if ever, falls from April to September; and the heat of the sun being at the same time very strong, all vegetation would be parched and dried up were it not for the copious and drenching dews which fall during the night. These, however, more generally fall in the hilly regions. 29. *The fatness, &c.* Idumea, or the land of Edom, is not a fat, fertile soil, but a barren and mountainous country; and therefore our common rendering does not agree with fact. Castalio and others read, 'thy habitation shall be without the fatness of the earth, and without the dew of heaven from above'—this accounts for Esau's discontent and hatred of his brother. 41. *Mourning—at hand.* A refined Oriental expression used in anticipation of a parent's death.

Ch. XXVIII.—11. *To sleep.* The Asiatics sleep frequently in the open air, wrapped up in their travelling garments, with a stone for their pillow. 17. *Gate of heaven.* The gate of Asiatic palaces is the most magnificent part, and the expression is often used for the mansion itself. 18. *A pillar, &c.* The erection of pillars as memorials of events is a very ancient practice; witness the obelisks of Egypt and Nineveh. Before the invention of writing, this was the only way to render the memory of an event durable. After that, it was rendered more durable by inscribing it on the stone. Such pillars were afterwards erected by the Greeks, who performed religious rites around them, and to these they gave the name of *Bætulea*, an evident derivative from Bethel, the place of their origin. (See cuts end of Ezek. and Zeph.) *Oil.* Vegetable oil, a common article of food in the East, and also used to lubricate the limbs, being inoffensive when so refreshing; hence it was indispensable as bread on a journey.

Ch. XXIX.—2. *Stone—well's mouth.* Robinson says, 'over most of the cisterns is laid a broad thick flat stone, with a round hole cut in the middle, forming the mouth of the cistern. This hole we found in many cases, covered with a heavy stone, which it would require two or three men to roll away.' They are so covered, lest the sands should be blown into them and choke them up. 6. *Is he well?* Hebrew, 'is there peace to him?' which includes general welfare and prosperity. This is still the salutation in the East. 9. *She kept them.* Among some Arab tribes about Sinai, it is the exclusive business of the young unmarried women to drive the cattle to pasture. Several assemble together before sunrise, taking provisions with them, and, exposed to the sun, watch the sheep all day. They are hardy and kind to passengers. 11. *Kissed Rachel.* According to the simple manners of those ancient times. 17. *Tender eyed.* As this is contrasted with "beautiful and well-favoured," it no doubt means some defect, and with the Orientals weak or diseased eyes are considered as a great defect. 18. *Serve.* Among the Orientals the custom has always been for the bridegroom, in a manner, to purchase the girl he intends to marry. The Burdooraunees in Cabul, even at this day live, some of them, with their future father-in-law, and earn their bride by their services, without even seeing the object of their love. (So Elphinston.) 19. *Better—give her to thee.* Marriage to the nearest relation is preferred among the Arabs to this day. A Bedouin Arab has the exclusive right to his first cousin, if he chooses to take her on fair terms: eh Sakhr 4, note. 22. *A feast.* This, a marriage feast, according to custom, for recognising the marriage, after which the bride is delivered to her husband. 23. *In the evening, &c.* The bride in the East was conducted to her husband's tent or house, and covered from head to foot with a veil; worn also during the marriage ceremonies: hence the success of Laban's plot. The deception is often practised in Persia, and even a servant maid substituted for a daughter. 26. *Not so—give the younger before the firstborn.* Mr. Hartley mentions a case, precisely the same, which occurred to a young Armenian in Smyrna. The same deception was played, and the same justification pleaded. The same custom also exists in India, as enforced by the Gentoo laws. 27. *Fulfil her week.* Each wife's marriage was accompanied with seven days of festivities. After Leah's bad been so ratified, then Rachel's might immediately follow. These seven days of rejoicing were commonly spent in the house of the woman's father, after which, the bride was conducted in great state to her husband's house. 28. *Gave him Rachel—also.* The marriage of two sisters at once was forbidden to the Jews, by the law; the Arabians continued the practice down to the time of Mohammed, who prohibited it also; but it has, notwithstanding, occasionally occurred.

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Ch. XXX.—3. *Have children by her.* This practice is now exactly followed in like circumstances, in India and China. The handmaid was the property of the mistress, and so were the children. 20. *She will* . . . Sons give a woman influence in the East. 23. *Hath taken away my reproach.* To be without is absolutely a disgrace. 37. *Green poplar.* Green rods of the white poplar, which grows in Syria. *Hazel.* Dr. Shaw and others here understand the almond tree. *Chesnut.* The Septuagint and Jerome consider this to be the plane tree.

Ch. XXXI.—4. *To the field.* Eastern customs justify the supposition that Laban and his daughters dwelt in a house, while Jacob in tents tended his flocks. 7. *Ten.* Signifies many. 18. *Sold us.* Jacob's fourteen years' service in lieu of dowry for them, went to their father. 18. *He carried away, &c.* So the nomade tribes often migrate and pack up every article, placing it on their beasts, in as short a space of time as a poor family with us would remove from a room. 19. *Images.* Divining images—household gods—consulted oracles. Hebrew, "Teraphim." They seem to have been images of the human figure or head, and of various sizes. Jewish writers say they were placed in niches, with lamps burning before them. There is little doubt but that they were regarded as a kind of household gods. 21. *River.* Euphrates, lying between Mesopotamia and Canaan; probably, as Dr. Clarke conjectures, some parts were at times fordable. 27. *With mirth.* The Easterns used to set out on their long journeys with music. *Tabret,* or timbrel, supposed to resemble the modern tambourine, and played chiefly by women. This instrument is much used in the East. 34. *Camel's furniture.* Kitto conjectures that the common pack-saddle of the camel is here meant; it is suited for a cushion, and a person seated on the floor may lean upon it. The saddle is made of wood, and in the hollow part shaped for the hump of a camel, Rachel could hide the images, or otherwise she might use the *hezar,* consisting of carpets, clothes, &c., heaped upon the pack-saddle to make an easy seat. 35. *Sir.* Even when children, to require great external respect for parents. 39. *I bare the loss.* The Gentoo law is, 'If, by the fault of the cow-herd, any of the cattle be lost or stolen, that cow-herd shall make it good.' This had probably been an established usage in the East from the earliest period, but the Divine law dispensed with the rigid requisition; see Ex. xxii. 10—13. 40. *Drought—frost.* Eastern travellers testify to the transition from great heat in the day, to chilling cold in the night. Bruce, the traveller, lost all his camels by the cold in one night, in the deserts of Sennaar. 44. *Covenant.* See note, ch. xv. 10. 55. *Early.* Early rising is an universal custom in the East. At sun-rise people are seen strolling in all directions. They guard against heavy dews by binding a part of the robe round the head, and it falls over the shoulders. They start on a journey before daylight, and rest under a shade in the heat of the day.

Ch. XXXII.—7. *Two bands.* Most likely an usual precaution then taken, before Jacob's time, to guard against hostile attacks. Sir H. Blount travelled with a caravan so divided, and the one was attacked and plundered, while the other escaped. 13. *Milch camels.* These are in high request, as their milk is a prominent article in the diet of the Arabs, and is even given in great quantities to their horses. The Bedouins estimate wealth by their camels. The camel's flesh and milk are food. Its hair is used for carpets, corn-sacks, tents, &c.; its skin for soles, leather bottles, and small large sacks for butter, corn, &c., two making a load; also for well-ropes and a sort of bucket; its dung is fuel, and its urine a common wash for the head.

Ch. XXXIII.—3. *Bowed—seven times.* Persian bowings are many in approaching a superior, and diminish in proportion to the rank. It was and is customary in the East, for elder brothers to be treated by the younger with great respect. 4. *Fell on his neck and kissed him.* Dr. Shaw says, that 'intimates and equals kiss the hand, head, and shoulder of each other.' 10. *Receive my present.* No present is given to inferiors or equals, but presents are commonly given to superiors, so that this was paying honour to Esau. 17. *Made booths.* This is recorded as a singular circumstance, for it was and is unusual in the East to put the flocks and herds under cover. They remain night and day, winter and summer, in the open air. 19. *Pieces.* The Hebrew signifies 'Lambs.' The precious metals were originally weighed, but this becoming inconvenient, a certain value was set upon pieces of a certain size, which were stamped accordingly. The figures of animals were the first impression upon the money of the ancient nations; "that of the Greeks and Romans,' says Professor Goguet, 'bore an ox.' 'The primitive race of men being shepherds,' says Maurice in his *Indian Antiquities,* 'and their wealth consisting in their cattle, for greater convenience, metals were substituted for the commodity itself. It was natural for the representative sign to bear impressed the object which it represented, and thus, accordingly, the earliest coins were stamped with the figure of an ox or sheep.' Probably the 'lamb' was the value of one of those animals.—*Ed.*

Ch. XXXIV.—12. *Dowry—gift.* The former is thought to mean the marriage portion settled on the wife, and the latter, a present made at the time of betrothing, as a piedge of plighted faith: see ch. xxiv. 53. The Bedouin tribes differ from each other in this matter; some consider a price as disgraceful, some receive it as a dowry, and others retain it as purchase-money. The price is generally paid in cattle, perhaps five or six camels, and sometimes an addition of fifty sheep, with a mare and foal. Niebhur found this customary among the Curds and Turcomans, who lead a wandering shepherd's life. He observes, 'It is said that a Curd of an ancient family asks fifty purses (above hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars) for his daughter, and gives her but a small dowry; many daughters, therefore, are to them a fortune.' 26. *They slew . . . sword, &c.* Almost all translations, as Jerome finds himself more dishonoured by the seduction of his sister, who can never cease to be a member of the family, than a man by the infidelity of his wife, who can be sent away.

Ch. XXXV.—2. *Change your garments.* Perhaps stained with blood. Such a custom is adopted among the Hindoos, who consider their clothes defiled in which they have been employed in business, and always change them before eating, or worship. 4. *Strange gods.* Most likely little images, objects of superstitious regard: see Am. v. 26; Acts vii. 43. *Earrings.* These, and jewels for the forehead reaching from ear to ear, were dedicated to their idols, and sometimes inscribed with astrological and mystic characters, and worn as amulets and charms. Stackhouse says, they are traced back to the Syrians. 14. *Drink offering.* Here first mentioned. Libations were afterwards common among all nations. 18. *Ben-oni.* 'Son of my sorrow.' *Benjamin,* 'Son of my right hand.' The Bedouin Arabs to this day name their children after some trifling incident occurring at the time of the birth. 19. *Ephrath, which is Beth-lehem. Ephrath,* the old name; *Beth-lehem,* the new. (See note at the end of Mat.) 20. *The pillar of Rachel.* This pillar was still extant in the days of Saul; but in the place which tradition points out as the spot where it stood, about a mile from Bethlehem, on the road to Jerusalem, there now stands a modern Turkish structure. Jews, Christians, and Mohammedans, alike venerate this spot: and Buckingham thinks it likely that the present building may enclose some remains of an ancient pillar.

Ch. XXXVI.—8. *Mount Seir.* From the name of a man of the race of the Horites, from whom the whole mountainous region was so called, ver. 20. 9. *Father of the Edomites.* From whom the Idumeans sprung and were named. 15. *Dukes.* Chieftains, sheikhs, princes; an order of rulers inferior to kings, and such as are at present denominated, in the East, *Emirs.* 24. *Mules.* This rendering is much disputed. Some think that Anah first discovered this crossbreed. Others suppose that he encountered the Emim, a gigantic people, in those parts. And others are of opinion that waters are meant, and suppose it alludes to a discovery of warm baths, five or six miles south-east of the Dead Sea, towards Petra, which baths were celebrated among the Romans. 35. *Baran* In Arabia Deserta, east of Edom, now called Bazra. It is oval-shaped, a large town, three quarters of an hour in circumference, but nearly without an inhabitant.

Ch. XXXVII.—3. *A coat of many colours.* A coat of distinction, such as the unmarried daughters of kings afterwards wore: see 2 Sam. xiii. 18. Harwolf says, that 'Turks of rank at Aleppo dress their sons, when they are a little grown, and can walk, in loose coats of a fine texture, in which various colours are woven, and which look very handsome.' Roberts says, that a beautiful or favourite child in India is often clothed in 'a coat of many colours,' crimson, purple, &c., being tastefully sewed together. 4. *Not speak peaceably.* That is give him the usual salutation of 'peace;' the withholding of which signifies, in the East, ill-will and ill-intent. 9. *Sun—moon, &c.* Jacob interpreted these images as they were afterwards used in scripture prophesy, and generally in the Eastern nations.

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According to Achmet, as quoted by Mede, 'the sun signifies a king: the moon, next to him in dignity; the morning star, the third in rank: and the other stars, inferior nobles.' 10. *Bow—to the earth.* As is the custom in all Asia before kings, falling on the knee and touching the ground with the forehead. 13. *Field.* That is region or country. 20. *Pit.* An empty cistern or reservoir dug in the ground, in which the rain water is collected, and of which there are many in the Arabian deserts. 25. *A company of Ishmaelites.* The Persian version is 'a caravan of Ishmaelites and Arabs.' 'The date of this transaction,' says Dr. Vincent 'is more than seventeen centuries before the Christian era: and, notwithstanding its antiquity, it has all the genuine features of a caravan crossing the desert at the present hour.' Dr. Clarke says, of the same neighbourhood, 'Along the valley we beheld a company of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, as in the days of Reuben and Judah, 'with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh,' who would gladly have purchased another Joseph of his brethren, and conveyed him as a slave to some Potiphar in Egypt.' *Spicery.* Supposed to signify a peculiar species of resinous gum, called 'styrax,' or 'storax.' It is the most fragrant of all the solid resins, and, indeed, of all known vegetable substances. *Balm*, or balsam, is the pitch of the balsam or bush-tree, introduced from Arabia Felix to the plain of Jericho. It yielded so sparingly, that, from its scarcity, it sold for double its weight in silver. A small piece will fill a large space with perfume. *Myrrh*, a gum-resin of an agreeable smell. In Arabia there are stunted groves of its tree; it exudes from a shrub called *cistus ladaniferus*. Myrrh is an aromatic and a medicine. *Going to—Egypt.* Where are much of these articles were used for embalming. 28. *Twenty pieces.* About 2*l.* 6*s.* sterling. 34. *Rent his clothes.* A custom in the early ages, indicative of great sorrow. The Jews subsequently reduced it to a form, slitting the upper garment on the right side to the extent of a handbreadth. *Sackcloth.* A coarse rough garment of camel's hair, in the form of a sack with arm-holes.

Ch. XXXVIII.—14. *With a veil.* This, it is thought, was done that Tamar might disguise herself, for harlots have not usually covered their faces. The Egyptian women of this caste sit at the door or walk in the streets unveiled. The Arab women, however, veil themselves in the streets. *Sat in an open place.* As harlots used to do. 24. *Burned.* This punishment was inflicted on harlots. The sentence pronounced by the father in law, shews the unbounded power exercised by parents over their children.

Ch. XXXIX.—1. *Brought—down.* From the earliest ages northern regions have been spoken of as higher than southern, and Egypt is south of Palestine. 12. *Left his garment.* It is considered in Abyssinia as a sure proof of guilt, if a man runs away and leaves his garment behind. 20. *Prison.* Rondolet, probably, implies an edifice mostly subterranean, of which the roof or vault, rising immediately from the surface of the ground, was round, or shaped like an inverted bowl. Dungeons so constructed, with an aperture at the top, through which the prisoners were let down, are still found in different parts of Asia.

Ch. XL.—1. *Butler.* Signifies 'cupbearer,' and is so translated, Neh. i. 11. (See note and cut end of Neh.) *Baker.* The Greek Versions, 'chief breadmaker.' Situations and offices of a similar kind exist at present in Turkey and the East, ver. 13. (See note and cut end of Jer.) 8. *A vine.* Herodotus says, 'the culture of the vine was unknown in Egypt: but it grows there now, and Egyptian painting and architecture shew that the vine was a familiar object in that country; and that the Egyptians had their vintage-scenes as well as their Jewish neighbours. (See note and cut end of Isa.) 11. *Pharaoh's cup.* The Egyptians drank no wine before the age of Psammetichus, nor offered it to their gods, being taught by their priests that there was something pestiferous in wine; but they did not hesitate to drink the unfermented juice of the grape. 16. *Baskets on my head.* Herodotus observes, that in Egypt the men carry burdens on their heads. Olearius found in Persia, that it was the custom, at grand entertainments, for the servants to bring in the dishes on their heads. 19. *Lift up thy head from off thee.* Some understand this of decapitation, before hanging upon hooks or by the hand, as was the ancient custom. Others think it rather refers to the removal of a peg, to which the Jews gave the name of head, placed in a socket, called basis. A number of the pegs were arranged on a table of the list of officers, whose names were struck out when the peg was taken away.

Ch. XLI.—1. *The river.* The Nile is the river of Egypt, on which depends all its fertility, there not being a sufficiency of rain. It rises in spring, and gradually increases, till in summer the country looks like a sea. At the autumnal equinox the waters abate, and by October they have returned to their channel, leaving behind them a rich manure of mud. 2. *Out of the river—kine.* The soil is covered with a deep verdure: and Joliffe states, that on each side of the river large herds of cattle are depasturing on its margin. Those of the buffalo kind appear to be almost amphibious; for, during the heat of the day, such as are not employed in husbandry, recline in the water, with their whole figure immersed except the head. *Meadow.* The Hebrew signifies 'among the sedge;' that is, in the low marshy places by the river's brink, where reeds and sedges grow. 5. *Seven ears—one stalk.* Jowett examined some corn seeds in Egypt, which were vegetating, and these would produce three, seven, fourteen, eighteen stalks, each stalk bearing an ear. From several heads of Egyptian corn found in a mummy, ascertained to be three thousand years old, the Earl of Haddington's gardener obtained nearly one hundred stalks about six feet high, with ears having from forty-five to fifty-five grains each. The ears have beards or hands resembling barley, and the leaves on the stalks are long and nearly an inch broad.



Egyptian Corn.

6. *Blasted—east wind.* This, in Eastern countries, is hot and scorching, and most pernicious to corn and fruits: see Exo. xix. 13: Hos. xiii. 15. 8. *Magicians—wise men.* A class who pretended to possess supernatural skill in certain occult arts and sciences, in interpreting dreams and oracles, explaining signs, and unriddling mysteries. 14. *Shaved.* The Oriental nations generally wore beards; but, as we learn from ancient historians and sculptures, the Egyptians did not. Joseph here shaves himself in conformity to the Egyptian usage, to meet the eye of the king. 40. *According unto thy word shall all my people be ruled.* 'At thy mouth shall all my people kiss;' so the Hebrew. At thy command they shall kiss their hand in token of obedience. The Egyptians kiss their hand when they receive or take anything from a superior, and, as the highest respect, put it to their foreheads. 42. *Ring from his hand.* (See note and cut end of Esth.) *Fine linen.* 'White stuff.' Cotton, of great fineness and beauty, was then in use in Egypt. In Eastern countries, a dress of honour still accompanies promotion. 43. *Cried before him.* The custom of having criers on such solemnities, to make their proclamations of praise before all great personages, when they appear in public, is common throughout India. They repeat or sing loudly the virtues, rank, power, &c., of the honoured person. *Bow the knee.* Wilkinson remarks, that the identical word given in the Hebrew text, is that used at the present day by the Arabs when requiring a camel to kneel down and receive its load. 44. *Lift up his hand or foot.* A proverbial expression for extensive power. 45. *Called Joseph's name Zaphnath-paaneah.* According to a common custom in various nations of

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changing a name on promotion. Os. (See note and cut end of Exe.) 48. *He gathered up all the food.* There is a very ancient Egyptian coin which represents a man gathering ripe wheat, and it is supposed to be a memorial of these remarkable events. 54. *In all lands*, that is, neighbouring lands, as Phœnicia, Palestine, Arabia, less fertile countries, of which Egypt was the granary. 56. *Storehouses.* Probably pits or subterranean cells which are usual in the East for storing grain.

Ch. XLII.—3. *Went down.* In journeying from the land of Israel to Egypt travellers still use the same phraseology, and always speak of 'going down to Egypt.'—Bonar and McCheyne. 6. *Spies.* The Arab tribes hovering on the borders of Egypt often combined and made a descent there if things seemed favourable. The same practice is continued, and they retire with their plunder on their swift horses into the desert. The Arabs and other Eastern nations are now very jealous of foreigners, and will not believe that mere curiosity can take them into their country; they always ask triumphantly whether the same objects of nature are not to be seen everywhere. 16. *By the life of Pharaoh.* Swearing by the life of a superior is a common conversational oath in different parts of Asia. In Persia they swear by the *head*, instead of the life of the king. 23. *An interpreter.* Professor Stuart observes, that this shows that the Egyptians then spoke a different language from the Hebrews; and this is confirmed by inscriptions on those monuments, some of which are coeval with the Pharaohs, and even antecedent to the time of Joseph. Champollion acquired the method of deciphering the hieroglyphics; and it appears that the Coptic language was that of ancient Egypt. 25. *Sacks.* Probably large woollen bags, or baskets lined with leather, now used through all Asia, and called *tamballet.* They are covered with leather, the better to resist the wet, and to prevent the dirt and sand from mixing with the grain. 27. *Inn.* Evidently means simply a stopping place or camping ground, a place where travellers were in the habit of stopping to bait or rest themselves and their asses, or to tarry over night. Even to this day, there are no places of entertainment in the particular description which they had to pass. Travellers generally endeavour to reach a well or spring by the side of which sheltering trees have sprung up, where they fill their *girbahs*, or leathern bottles, with fresh water, and having clogged their cattle, asses, &c., permit them to crop any little verdure there may be in the place, keeping watch over them by turns.

Ch. XLIII.—11. *Honey.* This is thought by Gesenius to mean 'syrup of grapes,' which is still exported from Palestine to Egypt. If honey is meant, then we may conclude that that of Palestine was superior to that of Egypt. *Nuts.* Pistachio nuts, the size of a hazel nut, and of the flavour of an almond. This tree may be seen on the sloping hills west and south-west of Aleppo. 29. *God be gracious unto thee.* This is merely a simple salutation in Asia, and not a benediction; it is, therefore, used instead of those offers and assurances of services customary in the West, in first addressing or taking leave of an acquaintance. 32. *Might not eat bread with the Hebrews.* Why so, is mere conjecture: Bush supposes that it was because they did not in eating observe those ceremonies which made part of the religion of Egypt. 33. *The firstborn according to his birthright.* Josephus says, that they were set according to their seniority, as they used to sit at their father's table. The Orientals are very punctilious at their meals. 34. *Benjamin's mess was five times.* Herodotus says, that in the public banquets and entertainments of the Egyptians, twice as much was set before the king as before any one else. Carne informs us, that it was, and still is, the custom of the countries of the East, for the master of the feast to testify his regard for his guests by sending messes to them of that food which is served up for himself.

Ch. XLIV.—5. *Whereby indeed he divineth.* Dr. Boothroyd renders this, 'and for which indeed he will make inquiry.' Divination by cups was, however, employed in the sacred rites of Egypt; and when Norden was in the farthest part of that country, a powerful Arab told one of his people, in a threatening way, that he had consulted his cup, and knew what sort of people they were. This, therefore, seems to have been a ruse played upon Jacob's sons—a pretence of their having been discovered by stealing the divining cup. 15. *Thou art even as Pharaoh.* In Asiatic countries, the reigning monarch is always considered to be the pattern of *all perfection*; and the highest honour that can be conferred on a person, is to resemble him to the monarch, as the monarch himself is likened in the same complimentary way to an angel of God, 2 Sam. xiv. 17, 18; compare Gen. xxxiii. 10.

Ch. XLV.—2. *Wept aloud.* The people of Asia are violent in their expressions of joy or grief. When any one returns from a long journey, or dies, his family burst into cries that may be heard twenty doors off. (See note and cut end of Lam.) 8. *A father to Pharaoh.* *Father* was the name of an officer in Egypt: and 'father to Pharaoh,' might signify prime minister. Certain state-officers among the Phœnicians, Persians, Arabians, and Romans, bore the same name. The Turkish Sultan calls his Grand Vizier, Lala, 'foster-father.' 10. *Goshen*, or 'Rameses,' ch. xlvii. 11. This land lay along the east side of the Pelusiac or western branch of the Nile, and to the west of the river it stretched away into the desert, where the nomade shepherds might find sustenance for their flocks. In this direction, it may, in some places, have extended to the Gulf of Suez. Hence it included a quantity of fertile land. It is supposed that it formed a square of about eighty or ninety miles. Here were Pharaoh's pasture grounds, ch. xlvii. 6. 22. *Changes of raiment.* Such presents are Eastern compliments, and the wealthy keep a large number in their wardrobes. The fashion there never changes. 23. *Meat.* A. Clarke thinks a potted meat; as in Asia flesh is so preserved by several curious methods, and continues sweet for any length of time.

Ch. XLVI.—4. *His hand upon thine eyes.* This was a custom of the living with the dead, practised among the Greeks and Romans, and also among the Jews. Maimonides mentions the closing of the eyes of the dead, as among their rites. 34. *Shepherd—an abomination.* That is, foreign shepherd. In the reign of Timaus, B.C. 2139, Egypt had been invaded and subdued by a tribe of Cushite shepherds from Arabia, who cruelly enslaved the people under a dynasty of six kings, till the native princes, after thirty years war, succeeded in expelling them to Palestine, so called after the name of Pallisthan, 'the shepherd-land,' and hence Philistines. This expulsion took place some time, not exactly ascertained, before Joseph's administration. This might have been one reason for abominating them; and another is supposed to have been their eating animals which the Egyptians held sacred.

Ch. XLVII.—31. *Bed's-head*, rather 'staff's-head,' as in the Septuagint and Heb. xi. 21. (See note and cut end of 2 Sam.)

Ch. XLVIII.—12. *And he bowed himself.* Herodotus informs us, that the Egyptians were remarkable for the respect they paid to old age. 'If a young person meet his senior, he instantly turns aside to make way for him; if an aged person enter an apartment, the youth, always rise from their seats.' Savary observes, that this reverence is yet paid to old age on every occasion, in Egypt.

Ch. XLIX.—4. *Unstable.* Generally thought to mean 'impetuous,' breaking bounds. The allusion may be to the Nile. 10. *Sceptre.* The original signifies a rod or staff; as these were borne by magistrates, they came to represent official authority. (See note and cut end of Exe.) 14. *A strong ass.* Asses were not such contemptible animals in the eyes of the Jews as they are with us, and the comparison here does not signify stupidity and sluggishness, but patience, gentleness, and industry. Even princes of former times bore the name, as *Hamor*, literally 'The ass,' ch. xxxiv. 2: and in modern times, a governor of Mesopotamia was called, as a title of honour, 'The ass of Mesopotamia.'

Ch. L.—1. *Kissed him.* Embracing of the dead is a common practice in Egypt. The Egyptians lay their hands on the two sides of the coffin, and kiss the cheek and forehead of the deceased with much emotion. So Jowett. 2. *Embalm.* (See note and cut end of Gen.) 4. *House of Pharaoh.* Potentates or chief officers. Dr. Clarke suggests that Joseph could not approach Pharoah in mourning habits, as none must appear thus before Eastern monarchs; hence he procured the aid of the nobles. 10. *Threshingfloor.* This was often but a level open piece of ground, prepared by beating down the earth. 11. *A grievous mourning.* (See note on ch. xiv. 2.) 26. *Coffin.* (See note and cut end of Gen.)

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO EXODUS.

Ch. I.—4. *Joseph died.* He ruled Egypt eighty years. 8. *A new king.* The first of a new dynasty which commenced about this time. 13. *Serve with rigour.* It is so to this day with the labouring people in Egypt; twenty thousand perished out of one hundred and fifty thousand Arabs employed on the canal which connects the sea at Alexandria, during the progress of that work. 22. *Cast into the river.* Infanticide has been common even to the present time in Persia, China, India, &c.; as the Nile was sacred, Pharaoh perhaps designed to make these offerings to his god.

Ch. II.—3. *Ark of bulrushes.* The Egyptian papyrus, a sort of reed that grown on the banks of the Nile, and was used for the manufacture of paper and construction of boats, 'To this day vessels of papyrus, called *dgerms*, of all sizes, are constantly plying on the several branches of the Nile in the neighbourhood of Aboukir.'—Paxton. *Slime.* Bitumen, which cemented the rushes together. *Pitch.* Which kept out the water. *Flags.* Sea-weed, or sedge. 5. *To wash—at the river.* Egyptian females go to bathe as a religious ceremony, on the rising of the Nile. It is the custom in India, wherever there is a river or tank free from alligators, for the women to go in company to some retired place, and bathe. 16. *Daughters—came and drew water.* This agrees with the existing practice in this part of Arabia, where the duty of attending the flocks is assigned to young women. 17. *Drove them.* The scarcity of water in these hot and sandy regions gave occasion to much contention.

Ch. III.—1. *Horeb.* (See note ch. xix. 18.) 5. *Put off thy shoes.* Or sandals, such as are now seen on the monuments of that period; the feet so shod, being protected merely with a sole strapped about them, contracted much dirt. (See note and cut end of Exod.) The reverence indicated by putting off the covering of the feet is still prevalent in the East.

Ch. IV.—2. *A rod.* Such as shepherds use. 6. *Thy bosom.* That is, the open part of the tunic, a long outer robe, above the girdle. *The leprosy.* Lit. *Snow.* Rather means 'lodging place.' 25. *Sharp stone.* Flints and other hard stones formed the tools and cutting instruments of almost all nations before the art of working iron was discovered, and in many places are used to this day.

Ch. V.—6. *Officers.* Taskmasters were 'exactors' of labour, and Egyptians; being of a higher grade than officers. (Compare ver. 14—18.) The officers were Israelites set over their brethren, under officers of the taskmasters, but supposed to have been officers of their own people by birth. 7. *Straw to make brick.* The Eastern bricks are made of clay and straw kneaded together, and dried in the sun. 14. *Were beaten.* In China, Persia, &c., the stick is universally used, and reckoned no disgrace, but only a misfortune.

Ch. VII.—1. *A god to Pharaoh.* The Hindoos encounter a person going before a great man, by assuring him he shall be as a god to him. 11. *Wise men.* Men of learning. *Sorcerers.* Men who find out secrets, discover lost goods, &c. *Magicians.* Astrologers and decipherers of hieroglyphics and mystical writings. *Enchantments.* Flame and smoke used under pretence of invoking demons, and well calculated to aid deception. 19. *Vessels of wood—stone.* Chiefly cisterns, tanks, and other large receptacles made to receive water on the overflowing of the Nile. 20. *The waters—blood.* This was a great punishment, for the delicious water of the Nile was most precious in the estimation of the Egyptians. Even now the water is sent to various parts of the Levant as a luxury. The Turks find it so exquisite, that they excite themselves to drink of it, by eating salt. They are accustomed to say, 'If Mahommed had tasted this river he would have prayed for a terrestrial immortality that he might enjoy it for ever.' The Nile was also honoured with religious reverence.

Ch. VIII.—6. *Frogs abundantly.* Frogs are still abundant in the Nile, but here the Lord gave an unexampled intensity and magnitude to one of the greatest nuisances of the country. The frog was also one of the sacred animals of the Egyptians; so that here, as in other instances, the objects of their superstition became the instruments of punishment.—Pictorial Bible.

21. *Swarms of flies.* The words "of flies" are supplied by our translators: but some prefer supplying 'beetles,' these being abundant and offensive in Egypt.

Ch. IX.—3. *Upon thy cattle.* The Egyptians held in idolatrous reverence the lion, wolf, dog, cat, ape, and goat; and in still greater reverence the ox or steer, the cow, the heifer, and the ram. Among these were the Apis and Mnevis; the former a sacred bull adored at Memphis, and the latter at Heliopolis. There was also a cow or heifer which had like honours at Momemphis. In these plagues God struck a blow at idolatry. 23. *The fire ran.* As the Egyptians worshipped fire and water, this plague was sent to punish them.

Ch. X.—4. *Bring the locusts.* They sometimes cover the ground over several leagues. Their consumption of the verdure, leaves the appearance of a desolating fire, and changes spring into a winter. They often alight seven or eight inches thick, and in their flight they darken the sun. The locust is much larger than our grasshopper, which it otherwise resembles; it has brown spotted wings, and the legs and body are of a bright yellow. 12. *Eat every herb.* In their progress, the locusts not only devour the leaves, but gnaw off the young branches and bark of the trees, even to the very root. 13. *Brought an east wind.* As locusts abounded in neighbouring countries, and particularly in Ethiopia, and more especially at this time of the year, all that was requisite was for God to cause that wind to blow which would carry them into Egypt, for the locusts are usually conveyed by the wind. Locusts were thus conveyed from Turkey into Poland in 1537; and in 1536, a wind from the Euxine sea brought vast numbers into Podolia. Also, in 1650, a cloud of locusts entered Russia, and spread over Poland, and Lithuania. 19. *West wind.* The Hebrews denominated the West from the Mediterranean sea, which lay to the west of Palestine. *Red sea.* So called from its bordering upon the country of Edom, which signifies 'red.' 22. *There was a thick darkness.* The Egyptians considered light and fire as types of God. The sun and moon were supposed to rule creation. If Egyptian darkness for three days was so dreadful what will everlasting darkness be!

Ch. XI.—5. *The maidservant—behind the mill.* Female slaves grind the corn by hand-mills, for the employment is extremely laborious, and considered of the lowest kind. The grinder usually sits on the floor with the mill on the lap, and by means of the handle works the upper stone round with her right hand. Hence, from the position of the stones, the slave is said to be behind the mill. (See note end of Deu.)

Ch. XII.—9. *Eat not—raw.* Which they might think of doing in their haste, but which was prohibited, and was a practice of the worshippers of the Grecian Bacchus and the Egyptian Osiris, who tore the victims in pieces and devoured the yet palpitating limbs. 11. *Loins girded.* The habit of an Eastern traveller, who ties up his loose outer garment round his body by his belt, girdle, or sash. The Arab's dress is simply a coarse shirt and a woilen mantle. The former is very loose, and confined round the waist by a leathern belt; the cloak is worn quite loose, but on a journey this is usually confined by a girdle. *Shoes.* Sandals were then rarely used but on journeys, as we learn from Egyptian monuments. 30. *A great cry in Egypt.* When an Egyptian died the relatives ran into the streets shrieking, howling, and beating themselves. Pharoah destroyed the Hebrew children, and thus a righteous God repaid him. 34. *Kneading-troughs.* The Arab's knead in wooden bowls, but Pococke and Niebuhr speak of their eating from, and carrying their dough in, a circular piece of leather, with a number of rings about the circumference, by which it is drawn together by a chain, with a hook at the end to suspend it to a camel, &c. 37. *Rameses.* A city built by the Israelites, probably in the land of Goshen; thought to have been where the ruins Aboukeyshid lie, forty miles from Suez. *Succoth.* Signifies 'tents,' or 'tent-places,' and probably means an ordinary encamping place for caravans between Rameses and Suez.

Ch. XIV.—7. *Chariots.* The Egyptian chariot, about the very period here mentioned, is found in some sculptured remains. It was a small box mounted on

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two low wheels, drawn by two horses, which were adorned with rich trappings and plumes of feathers on their heads. The warrior stood erect, with the reins lashed around his waist, leaving his arms at full liberty to use the bow and arrow, or sometimes a sort of cimeter resembling a reaping hook, or else a javelin. (See note and cut end of Exod.)

Ch. XV.—1. *This song* is the most ancient in any language. It was probably sung in alternate strophes or strains, as was usual in all the sacred symphonies of the ancients. 4. *His host*. The numerous militia of Egypt, a tribe or caste by itself, having peculiar privileges, and ranking next in dignity to the priesthood. They were divided into two bodies, the one consisting of one hundred and sixty thousand men, the other of two hundred and fifty thousand. The Egyptians used the bow and arrow, sword, and spear, and they had shields square as the bottom and round at the top. *Capadoua*. There were chariots among the ancients which held three persons, one of whom had the reins and managed the horses, the others fought. It has been thought that these three were selected for their valour as leaders, so that if one or two of them were killed, the other might still lead on the soldiers. 14. *Philistins*. An appellation given to the land of Canaan and derived from the Philistines, a people who migrated from Egypt. 20. *With dances*. The ancient custom of dancing is still preserved in Egypt on festive occasions. Lord Valentia, in his voyage up the Red sea, mentions his seeing a band of thirty damsels, one moonlight night, dancing through the streets to the sound of tinkling instruments, on their way to the Nile, whither they went to bathe, and sing the praises of the benevolent power that gives them its yearly supply. 23. *Marah—bitter*. Diodorus, Siculus, Strabo, and Pliny, agree there were lakes of bitter water in the parts where the Israelites now were, which may easily be conceived to be the same. 27. *Elim*. (In the northern skirts of the desert of Sin. Here Dr. Shaw found nine of the wells, the remaining three being filled up with sand; but the seventy palm trees had increased into more than two thousand. *Palm trees*. (See note and cut end of Psalms.)

Ch. XVI.—3. *Flesh pots*. The Israelitish slaves are supposed to have been fed in various companies, by their taskmasters, and in particular places, where large *pots* or *boilers* were fixed for cooking their victuals. 13. *Quails*. Birds resembling partridges, and are the size like turtle-doves. They come up from the Arabian gulf, across which they fly in spring in great numbers; and are often so fatigued after their passage, and fly so low, as to become an easy prey. 15. *Manna*. Arabia now furnishes, in rather considerable quantity, a gum, or juice, dropping from the tafa or tamarisk tree, greatly resembling the food of the Israelites. It is distilled from the shrub in the month of June, and is collected by the Arabs before sunrise, because it is melted by the heat, as Niebuhr, Pietro della Valle, and Burckhardt observed. The Arabs boil, strain, and preserve it in skin bottles. They spread their unleavened cakes, which are their bread, with it, as with honey. It has an agreeable taste, sweet, and almost aromatic. But the *manna* of the Israelites had some peculiarities not connected with it, quite out of the ordinary course of nature. Besides, the double quantity of the sixth day was miraculous, as well as the total ceasing of it on the sabbath; also its falling wherever the camp was pitched. 16. *An omer*. About three quarts English. 29. *Let no man go out of his place on the seventh day*. The general rule adopted by the Jews in regard to travelling on the seventh day was, that the distance to be considered lawful should not extend beyond the suburbs of a city, which was ordinarily the space of two thousand cubits, or about three quarters of an English mile. 34. *Ephah*. In wine measure, seven gallons, two quarts, and half a pint; in corn measure, six gallons, three pints, and three solid inches.—Bp. Cumberland.

Ch. XVII.—1. *Rephidim*. The plain before Horeb, west of Sinai. 6. *The rock in Horeb*. The Arabs and monks point out an insulated block of granite, about twelve feet high, as the rock of Meribah; but intelligent travellers protest against it as an imposition, and Burckhardt says, 'Every observer must be convinced, on the slightest examination, that most of its fissures are the work of art, having been chiselled so as to make it appear that the stone had been worn in those parts by the action of water.' (See note and cut end of Exod.) 8. *Amalek*. The Amalekites were inhabitants of the Sinai peninsula and adjoining deserts, having Bedouin habits, and being descendants of Esau. 14. *Write—book*. This is the first time writing is mentioned in scripture. It is now ascertained that writing existed among the Egyptians before the age of Joseph. Plato tells us that Thoth, secretary to King Thamus, invented the alphabet, and Champollion has discovered that the Egyptians had a kind of hieroglyphic writing which was merely phonetic, that is, composed of a series of signs, not having reference to the objects represented, but only to the sounds of the words expressed.

Ch. XVIII.—21. *Rulers of thousands, &c.* Whatever matter the decaneh, or ruler over ten, could not decide, went to the pentecontarch, or ruler of fifty, and thence, by degrees, to the hecatontarch, or ruler over a hundred, to the chiliarch, or ruler over a thousand, to Moses, and at length, to God himself. Each magistrate had the care or inspection of only ten men; the decaneh to superintend ten private characters; the hecatontarch, ten decanehs; and the chiliarch, ten hecatontarchs. A similar system obtains in the kingdom of Pera. So also in China to the present day, and, it is said, among the Nomadic Tartars.

Ch. XIX. 2.—*Desert of Sinai*. This mountainous region, with its valleys, &c. occupies a diameter of about forty miles. In general aspect is wild and dreary; being composed almost entirely of naked rocks and craggy precipices, interspersed with narrow sandy defiles, and being seldom refreshed with rain, the whole region is barren. In the upper regions are springs and fountains, where the Bedouins take refuge when the low country is parched up. It is difficult to imagine a scene more desolate and terrific. 18. *Mount Sinai*. This mountain of Arabia Petræa is a summit of the rocky district of mount Horeb, on the peninsula formed by the two arms or gulfs of the Red sea, about 200 miles from Cairo, in Egypt. There are two lofty peaks in this range from 6000 to 8000 feet high, Horeb and Sinai; but travellers are not able to determine which of them is Sinai proper. (See note end of Exod.)

Ch. XX.—24. *Altar of earth*. Here is a return to the simple patriarchal altars, probably to prevent any sculptured works on their surface for objects of worship. Hence the prohibition in the next verse. These altars were made by heaping up a quantity of earth, and covering it with green turf.

Ch. XXII.—6. *If fire break out*. Before the autumnal rains, it is customary to burn up the dry herbage, which, if great care be not taken, is very liable to set fire to the corn.—Harmer. And it was a common practice in the East to set the grass and corn-fields on fire as a means of annoying enemies.—Judg. xv. 4, 5. 18. *A witch*. The sacred writers speak of false gods as if they were real existences, and so they do of witches, but we are not to infer either. The idolatrous nations of antiquity cherished these superstitious notions, and as they led to equally superstitious practices, they were to be treated as crimes.—Bush. 18. *Lieth, &c.* A horrid abomination practised in the temples of the Egyptians and Canaanites; and, according to Sonnini, practised in Egypt in modern times. 26, 27. *Deliver—his covering*. The mantle or hyke of the Arabs at the present day is six yards long and five or six feet broad, serving them for a complete dress in the day and a bed at night. The poor wandering Israelite had no other bed-clothes than this simple garment, the want of which would leave him exposed to the cold dews of night. God "considers the poor."

Ch. XXIII.—15. *The feast of unleavened bread*. Or the Passover, in commemoration of the destroying angel passing over the Israelites on the night of their deliverance from Egypt. 16. *The feast of harvest*. Or Pentecost, a Greek word, signifying fifty, because it was held the fiftieth day after the second day of the Passover. *The feast of ingathering*. Called also "the feast of tabernacles." During the eight days which it lasted, the Israelites dwelt in booths, in commemoration of their dwelling in tents for forty years in the wilderness. The booths were formed of green branches interwoven together, which, in the warm region of Palestine, answered extremely well, as in October, when it occurred, the weather is usually dry.

Ch. XXV.—40. *And look that thou make them after their pattern*. As the tabernacle, with whatever belonged to it, was to be a representation of glorious spiritual realities, so a model of it was necessary, and was shewn to Moses, who was occupied during some part of his communion of forty days with God on the mount, in receiving instructions relative to it. (See note and cut end of Exod.).

Ch. XXVI.—1. *With cherubims*. That is, embroidered with flowers of animals and cherubs. 7. *Curtains of*

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goats' hair. A coarse sort of cloth made from goats' hair (which in Asia is longer and finer than in Europe) is still used for a covering to tents in the East.

Ch. XXVII.—20. *Pure oil olive beaten*. Beaten oil was the purest oil, such as was obtained by bruising the olives, without putting them into a press.

Ch. XXVIII.—4. *Garments*. The garments of the priests were a tunic of fine linen, fitting close to the person, with loose trousers; then a long blue robe, like a shirt without sleeves; over that was the ephod, a shorter coat, fastened close to the body with a girdle; and a bonnet or turban of linen.

Ch. XXIX.—7. *Anointing oil—pour it on his head*. Anointing with oil in the consecration of any person to an important office, was an emblem of the effusion of the Holy Spirit, Isa. lxi. 1.

Ch. XXX.—7. *Sweet incense*. Hebrew, 'incense of spices.' The use of it was to perfume the sanctuary, which otherwise would be offensive by the number of beasts slain and burnt.

Ch. XXXI.—4. *Gold—silver—brass*. Here and elsewhere we find mentioned the metals that were the earliest and first applied; and all history and experience corroborate this statement of Moses, with regard to their early and prior use.

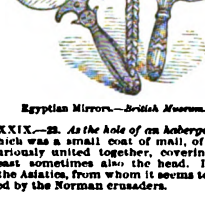
Ch. XXXII.—19. *He saw the calf, and the dancing*. Dancing before the idol takes place in almost every Hindoo idolatrous feast.—Ward.

Ch. XXXIII.—4, 6. *Put off thy ornaments, &c*. As a token of contrition and mourning. 'On entering a large assembly of Persians we found them clad in dark-coloured clothes, which, accompanied with their black caps, their black beards, and their dismal faces, really looked as if they were afflicting their souls. We observed that *no one did put on his ornaments*. They neither wore their daggers nor any part of their dress which they look upon as ornamental.'—Morier. 11. *A young man*. Joshua was now upwards of fifty. The Hebrew word *naar* signifies 'a minister, or servant,' Gen. xiv. 14; 1 Sam. ix. 10; hence it will read thus, "his servant Joshua who ministered unto him," &c.

Ch. XXXIV.—24. *Neither shall any man desire thy land*. God here promises the Israelites to protect their land from hostile invasion, when engaged in his service at Jerusalem. It is remarkable that their enemies never did avail themselves of these opportunities for invasion; and long experience of the efficacy of the Divine protection taught the Jews to repair to the appointed place without any apprehension.

Ch. XXXV.—3. *A sabbath of rest*. In the original 'a sabbath of sabbaths,' or, 'an inviolable cessation from work.'

Ch. XXXVIII.—8. *Lookingglasses*. These were of polished brass; and St. Cyril informs us, that it was a custom for the Egyptian women (the Israelitish probably did the same) to carry these mirrors with them to places of public worship. Small mirrors still form part of the dress of Eastern women; and Dr. Shaw states that the women of Arabia carry them constantly hung at their breasts. They were highly polished, but when compared with our glass mirrors, shew, in a striking light, the force of Paul's metaphor of 'seeing through a glass darkly.' 1 Cor. xiii. 12.



Egyptian Mirrors.—*British Museum*.

Ch. XXXIX.—23. *As the hole of an habergeon*, or hauberk, which was a small coat of mail, of small iron rings curiously united together, covering the neck and breast sometimes also the head. It was used among the Asiatics, from whom it seems to have been borrowed by the Norman crusaders.

Ch. XL.—15. *Their anointing shall be an everlasting, &c*. The priesthood being hereditary, the conferring this office on the parent by anointing, did not require the anointing of the son on his father's demise; but the high priest, being elected, was on that account anointed as well as his ancestor, and continued to be so till he who was the "high priest over the house of God" (Heb. x. 21) came, when the functions of the other necessarily ceased.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO LEVITICUS.

Ch. II.—4. *Oven*. By the word 'oven,' we must not imagine an European oven, but such an one as Niebuhr describes in his description of Arabia. On board the ship with which we sailed from Dujidda to Lobeia, one of the sailors was obliged to rub, every afternoon, so much durra (a kind of millet) with water as sufficed for one day, on a longish stone, with another stone, and to make of the meal a dough and flat cakes. In the mean time the oven was heated. This was a water vessel about three feet high, without a bottom, turned upside down, thickly coated all round with clay, and on a moveable foot. When the oven was sufficiently heated, the dough, or rather cake, was clapped upon the inner side of the oven, without taking out the coals, and the oven shut up. The bread, which was scarcely half baked enough for an European, was afterwards taken out and eaten quite hot. 5. *Baken in a pan*. The Arabs about Mount Carmel use a great stone pitcher, in which they kindle a fire; and when it is heated, they mix meal and water, which they apply with the hollow of their hands to the outside of the pitcher; and this extremely soft paste, spreading itself, is baked in an instant. The heat of the pitcher having dried up all the moisture, the bread comes off as thin as wafers; and the operation is so speedily performed, that in a very little time a sufficient quantity is made. But their best sort of bread they bake either by heating an oven or a large pitcher half full of little smooth shining flints, upon which they lay the dough, spread out in the form of a thin bread cake. Sometimes they use a shallow earthen vessel, resembling a frying-pan, which seems to be the pan mentioned by Moses, in which the meat offering was baked. 6. *And pour oil thereon*. Using oil with bread continues to be a very common practice in the East, and the Bedouin Arabs, and generally other Orientals, are fond of dishes composed of broken bread, steeped, not only in oil, butter, and milk, but also in preparations of honey, syrup, and vegetable juices. 13. *Season with salt*. The salt had typical meanings; but as the heathen never used salt in offerings, the Hebrew laws were given in opposition. No work or worship is acceptable without the salt of grace.

Ch. V.—7. *Two turtle doves*. See notes and cut end of Lev. In addition to which it may be observed, that this economical provision was ordained that the means of atonement might be within the ability of all classes. In reference to these offerings, Maimonides says, 'If a poor man brought the oblation of the rich, he was accepted; but if the rich brought the oblation of the poor, he was not accepted.' Pigeons were so plentiful in Palestine and the neighbouring countries, that he must have been poor indeed who could not afford a pair. Andrichomius the traveller, tells us that there was a single tower to the south of Jerusalem, in which 5000 doves nestled. Maundrell also remarks of Kefteen in Syria, that the 'adjacent fields' abounding with corn, give the inhabitants great advantage for breeding pigeons, insomuch that you here find more dove-cotes than other houses.

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Ch. VI.—12. *The fire upon the altar shall be burning.* The fire that consumed the sacrifices originally came down from heaven, but it was to be kept perpetually burning by a supply of fuel, which fuel was exclusively of wood, and none was admitted for the service of God but what was perfectly sound. In imitation of this perpetual fire, the ancient Persian Magi, and their descendants the Parsees, kept also a fire constantly burning: the latter continue it to the present day. Traces of the same custom are to be found among almost all heathen nations.

Ch. VII.—8. *The priest shall have to himself the skin.* All the flesh of the burnt offerings being consumed as well as the fat, there could nothing fall to the share of the priest but the skin, which must have been very valuable, as skins were used for mattresses, and probably as carpets to sit upon in the day, as they are still used by some of the inhabitants and dervishes of the East. 15. *Shall be eaten the same day.* After being offered to God, what remained belonged to none else, and the poorest guest might partake. Add to this, that in a country like Palestine, it was apt to putrify; and, as it was considered to be holy, it would be very improper to expose that to putrefaction which had been consecrated to the Divine Being.

Ch. XI.—5. *The coney.* This is properly a sort of field-mouse, frequent in Persia, Syria, Arabia and Palestine, which is called by the Arabs 'jerboa.' It has near the neck very short feet, with which it never touches the earth, but draws them up like hands, so that they can hardly be seen; while, on the other hand, the hind feet are three times as long as the fore feet, and half as long as the whole body. The jerboa is not eaten in Arabia, and the neighbouring Arabs do not give themselves any trouble to catch it for food, but it is sometimes eaten by the Bassorah caravans, where the Arabs have frequent opportunities of catching these animals, the flesh of which is said to have a good taste. 7. *The swine.* The prohibition to eat swine's flesh was probably in part dietary; for Plutarch and Ælian remark, from Manetho, that 'he who eats swine's flesh is infallibly afflicted with leprosy.' And in the whole tract of country in which Palestine lies, something more to the south and something more to the north, the leprosy is natural to the country, and the Israelites came out of Egypt so much infected with this disease which is peculiarly frequent in that country, that Moses was obliged to make many regulations on the subject. 22. *The locust.* (See notes on Exod. x. 6, &c.) In Palestine, Arabia, and the adjoining countries, locusts are one of the common articles of food, and the people would be very ill-off if precluded from eating them. When a swarm of them desolates the fields, they prove, in some measure, themselves an antidote to the famine which they occasion; so much so, indeed, that the poor people look forward with anxiety to the arrival of a swarm of locusts, as yielding them sustenance without any trouble. Locusts are ground to powder in hand-mills, or pounded in stone mortars. This powder is mixed with water, made into a dough or cake, and baked as common bread. It is not unusual to see the Arabs eat locusts even when there is no famine. They are accustomed to boil them for a full hour in water, and then add butter, thus making the locusts into a kind of fricassee which does not taste amiss. Shaw says, that 'they were fried and sprinkled with salt, and in taste resemble our river crabs.' Thus it appears there were various ways in preparing them for food.

Ch. XIII.—2. *Leprosy.* This is a contagious and dreadful disorder, which slowly consumes the human body. It is common in Egypt and in Arabia, and also met with in other hot countries. From a few reddish spots on the skin it increases imperceptibly and continues for years spreading, till at length the whole body is covered with a leprous scurf. The marrow and bones become so affected as to disfigure the body. In its last stages the victim becomes a mass of corruption, and may be said almost literally to fall to pieces. Fingers and toes mortify and drop off in succession, and the maimed, but living remains, become the objects of the deepest compassion.

Ch. XIV.—35. *A plague in the house.* Walls and houses are often attacked by a kind of salt. This mural incrustation chiefly appears in damp situations, in cellars and ground floors, seldom extending to the upper stories of a house; and its effects are in many respects so injurious as to justify, and, indeed, to require, in some climates, the attention of a legislator. The walls become mouldy, and that to such a degree as, in consequence of the corrosion spreading farther and farther, at last to occasion their tumbling down. The plaster also requires frequent repairing as it blisters, as it is called, that is, detaches itself from the wall, swells and falls off. The things that lie near the affected walls became damaged, and in the end spoiled. Books and other articles that cannot bear dampness and acids are often ruined from this cause. If this malpetre be strong in the occupied apartments, it is very injurious to health, particularly where people sleep near the walls. Such are the effects experienced by this plague in modern Europe; there is, therefore, room to conclude that they were more strongly exhibited at the early period of Moses, and in countries where domestic architecture never attained much perfection, and where people generally live in houses having but one story.

Ch. XVII.—15. *Eateth that which died of itself.* In the East the poor and lower classes by no means reject such food. A French traveller, describing the uncleans streets of Ispahan says, 'Dead horses, camels, and mules, are cast into the streets; but people are soon at hand, who purchase the dead animal of the owner, and make hashes of it, which they sell to the poor day-labourers. The flesh of the animal is boiled with corn, and when it is well boiled is stirred up together so as to make a kind of pap.

Ch. XIX.—27. *Ye shall not round the corners of your heads.* That is, shall not shave off the hair of the head around the temples and behind the ears, as to leave the head wholly bald, except a small tuft upon the crown. This was a custom among the heathen, and the command was given among the many others in opposition to the usages of idolaters. If we would honour God we must avoid all superstition. 28. *Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead.* From this injunction we may infer that the practice of inflicting wounds in compliment to the dead was prevalent, if not amongst the Jews themselves, at least among the nations with whom they held communication. Thus upon the demise of their king, the Lacedæmonians were in the habit of assembling together, when every rank and sex expressed their grief by tearing the flesh from their forehead with sharp instruments. The meaning of the prohibition then is, they were not to lacerate their persons in any manner in their mourning ceremonies, as with the vain idea of pacifying or propitiating the infernal spirits in behalf of the dead, a notion very prevalent among the heathen idolators.

Ch. XXVI.—1. *Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image.* Anciently the Gentiles represented some of their gods either by columns fashioned like cones, or else by quadrilateral obelisks like the Egyptian manner. Now such obelisks are but lesser models of the pyramids. The first institution of them was by Medrea, an Egyptian king, who consecrated them to the deity of the sun, worshipped under the name of Osiris. The Phœnicians worshipped the sun in the similitude of a cone, that being a faithful allusion to the solar ray. Herodian says, 'they worshipped the sun in a spacious and magnificent temple, where he was represented by a great stone, circular below, and ending with a sharpness above, in the figure of a cone of flaming colour.' 'Such an idol,' Tacitus says, 'there was in the temple of Venus at Paphos.' In what an awful state of similar idolatry, are myriads of our fellow beings at this present time! What a claim have they upon our prayers and efforts to enlighten them, and how great is our encouragement to labour when the God of truth has promised, "The idols he will utterly abolish." 6. *Ten women shall bake your bread in one oven.* The custom was to bake their bread for each family in a small oven, but this was frequently opposed by ten families having so little that all could use one. How thankful should we be for bread, and how much more so that we have no famine of the bread of life.

Ch. XXVII.—32. *Passeth under the rod.* By the tooth of their rod the strict shepherds numbered their flocks morning and evening. But the allusion here seems to be more particularly to the following custom:—When a man was to give the tithe of his sheep or calves to God, he was to shut up the whole flock in one fold, in which there was a narrow door capable of letting out one at a time; the owner stood by the door with a rod in his hand, the end of which was dipped in vermillion or red ochre. The mothers of these lambs or calves stood without; the door being opened, the young ones ran out to join themselves to their dams; and as they passed out, the owner stood with his rod over them, and counted one, two, three, &c. and when the tenth came, he touched it with the coloured rod by which it was distinguished as the legitimate tithe.

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Ch. X.—14. *The standard of the camp of the children of Judah, according to their armies.* Though numerous caravans are common to the eastern roads, there is something particular in the annual travelling of those great bodies of people that go in pilgrimage to Mecca through the deserts. 'After every one had taken his place in the caravan,' says Pitts, 'they orderly and peaceably kept the same place till they came to Grand Cairo. They travel four camels abreast, which are all tied one after the other, like as in teams. The whole body is called a caravan, which is divided into several orders or companies, each of which has its name, and consists, it may be, of several thousand camels; and they move, one cottor after another, like distinct troops. In the head of each cottor is some great gentleman, or officer, who is carried on a thing like a horse-litter. In the head of every cottor there goes likewise a sumpter camel which carries his treasure, &c. This camel has two bells, about the bigness of our market bells, hanging one on each side, the sound of which may be heard a great way off. Some others of the camels have round bells about their necks, some about their legs, like those which our carriers put about their fore horses' necks; which, together with the servants who belong to the camels, and travel on foot, singing all night, make a pleasant noise, and the journey passes away delightfully. They say this music makes the camels brisk and lively. Without this order, all would be confusion among such a vast multitude. They have lamps by night, which is the chief time of travelling, because of the exceeding heat of the sun by day; which lights are carried on the top of high poles, to direct the bagges or pilgrims in their march.' This beautifully illustrates Ps. cxix. 105. The above extracts illustrate, in a striking and easy manner, the travelling of Israel through some of the same deserts, and the office and figure of those princes of the tribes whose obligations are here mentioned. Every station, and movement, and time of marching, was by express command; and, in this admirable order, that immense multitude traversed the desert forty years without the least confusion or inconvenience from numbers or disorder which crowded their camps. Hence it is evident that the way of encamping, and every thing else that we admire with so much reason in the Greeks and Romans, was taken from the ancient models of the Orientals, and particularly from the divinely-appointed arrangements of the ancient Hebrews. 31. *And thou mayest be to us instead of eyes.* The following extract from Bruce will show the importance of a guide in traversing the desert: 'A *lyghare* is a guide, from the Arabic word *lashar*, to inform, instruct, or direct, because they were used to do this office to the caravans travelling through the desert in all its directions, whether to Egypt and back again, the coast of the Red Sea, or the countries of Sudan and the western extremities of Africa. They are men of great consideration, knowing perfectly the situation and properties of all kinds of water to be met on the route, the distances of wells, whether occupied by enemies or not, and if so, the way to avoid them with the least manœuvre possible. It is also necessary for them to know the places occupied by the simoom, and the seasons of their blowing in these parts of the desert; likewise those occupied by moving sands.

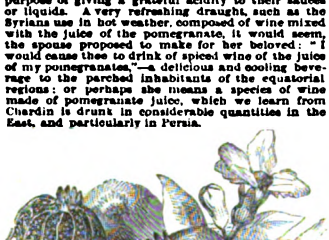
Ch. XI.—5. *We remember the fish which we did eat in Egypt freely.* Although fish is at all times a common diet in Egypt, its use becomes particularly conspicuous in the hot season, occasioned by the prevalence of the south winds in April and May, when the inhabitants scarcely eat any thing but fish, with pulse and herbs, the great heat taking away the appetite for all sorts of flesh meat. All the inhabitants of Egypt, without distinction, then give into this custom, which is very ancient. The fish which they eat is either fresh or dried in the sun. It would therefore seem that the Israelites, being now in the midst of the hot season, (rather later in Arabia than in Egypt) longed with too great impatience for the fish and refreshing vegetables which they had at such times been accustomed to enjoy. How desirable such food is to those who have been accustomed to it we have a striking instance in the fact related by De Vitriaco, who says, that when Diametta was besieged in 1218, many of the more delicate Egyptians, although they had corn in abundance, pined away and died for want of the garlic, onions, fish, birds, fruits and herbs to which they had been accustomed. *The cucumbers.* Cucumbers are eaten in abundance in hot weather, and melons are most delicious and plentiful. All travellers in the East notice the extensive cultivation and consumption of cucumbers and other herbs of the same tribe, especially where there is any moisture of soil, or the possibility of irrigation. Thus, even in the driest parts, the neighbourhood of a well is often occupied by a field of cucurbitaceous plants, generally with a man or boy set to guard it from plunder. (See note and cut end of Isa.) *Onions.* Hasselquist says, 'Whoever has tasted onions in Egypt must allow that none can be had better in any part of the universe. Here they are sweet; in other countries they are nauseous and strong. Here they are soft; whereas, in the northern and other parts they are hard, and their coats so compact that they are difficult of digestion. Hence they cannot in any place be eaten with less prejudice, and more satisfaction, than in Egypt.' 31. *Quails.* Quails form a subdivision of the grouse family, being distinguished from partridges by their smaller size, finer bill, shorter tail, and the want of a red naked eye-brow, and of spurs on the legs. Of a bird so well known no figure or further particular description appears to be necessary, beyond mentioning the enormous flights which, after crossing an immense surface of sea, are annually observed at the spring and fall to take a brief repose in the islands of Malta, Sicily, Sardinia, Crete, in the kingdom of Naples, and about Constantinople, where, on those occasions, there is a general shooting match, which lasts two or three days. This occurs always in the autumn. The birds, starting from the Crimea about seven at night, and, with a northerly wind, before dawn accomplish a passage about sixty leagues in breadth, and alight on the southern shore to feed and repose. In the vernal season the direction of the flight is reversed. The providential time of their arrival within and around the camp of the Israelites, in order that they might furnish meat to a murmuring people, appears from the fact of its taking place where it was not to be expected; the localities, we presume, being out of the direct line of their ordinary passage; for, had this not been the case, the dwellers in that region, and the Israelites themselves, accustomed to tend their flocks at no great distance from the spot, would have regarded the phenomenon as a well-known periodical occurrence.

Ch. XII.—14. *If her father had but spit in her face.* In Deut. xxv. 9, the widow was to spit in the face of her late husband's brother, if he refused to marry her: and Job (xxx. 10) in his great misery says, of his enemies, they "spare not to spit in my face;" and, it is said of our Saviour, they did "spit in his face." Mat. xxvi. 67. The most contemptuous, exasperating and degrading action, which one man can do to another, is to spit in his face. A person receiving this insult is at once worked up to the highest pitch of anger, and nothing but the rank or power of the individual will prevent him from seeking instant revenge. Indeed, such is the enormity attached to this offence, that it is seldom had recourse to, except in extreme cases. A master, whose slave has deeply offended him, will not beat him (for that would defile him), but he spits in his face. When his anger is at the greatest height, he will not even condescend to do that, but order a fellow-servant, or some one near, to spit in his face. If a person is too respectable for this indignity, then the offended individual will spit on the ground. Schoolmasters also, when very angry with their pupils, do not, as in England, beat them, but spit in his face, or order some one else to do it. When the kingfisher makes a noise, they who hear it spit on the ground, to prevent the evil which is supposed to follow. When a child becomes greatly alarmed, the father or mother immediately spit in its face to remove the fear. To a person making use of offensive language, bystanders say, 'Spit in his face.'

Ch. XIII.—23. *Pomegranates.* The pomegranate is a kind of apple-tree, whose fruit is covered without with a rind of a reddish colour, and which opening lengthwise, shows red grains full of juice resembling wine, with little kernels. The Hebrew term, which expresses both the tree and the fruit, seems to have its name from the strong projection or reflection of light, either from the fruit or from the star-like flower with six leaves or rays at the top of the apple. The

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Greek names which denote the tree and the fruit, alm, perhaps, at the same thing. We learn from Dr. Shaw, that August produces the first ripe pomegranates, some of which are three or four inches in diameter, and of a pound weight. The pomegranate, as originally brought from Phœnicia, was formerly numbered among the most delicious fruits which the earth produces. The high estimation in which it was held by the people of Israel may be inferred from its being one of the three kinds of fruit brought by the spies from Eshcol to Moses and the congregation in the wilderness, and from its being specified by that rebellious people as one of the great luxuries they enjoyed in Egypt, the want of which they felt so severely in the sandy desert. The pomegranate, classed by Moses with wheat, barley, vines, figs, oil-olive, and honey, was, in his account, one principal recommendation of the promised land. (Deut. viii. 8.) But no circumstance more clearly proves the value which the Orientals put upon this fruit, than the choice which Solomon makes of it to represent certain graces of the church: "Thy temples are like a piece of a pomegranate" (Canticles iv. 3); and in the thirteenth verse, the children of God are compared to "an orchard of pomegranates with pleasant fruits." Three sorts of pomegranates are used in Syria, the sour, the sweet, and another of an intermediate taste, for the purpose of giving a grateful acidity to their sauces or liquids. A very refreshing draught, such as the Syrians use in hot weather, composed of wine mixed with the juice of the pomegranate, it would seem, the spouse proposed to make for her beloved: "I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranates,"—a delicious and cooling beverage to the parched inhabitants of the equatorial regions: or perhaps she means a species of wine made of pomegranate juice, which we learn from Chardin is drunk in considerable quantities in the East, and particularly in Persia.



24. *Grapes.* Many who have visited Palestine affirm to have seen clusters of grapes of from ten to twelve pounds weight, and of the length of a half and even a whole ell; the grapes themselves are sometimes as large as the two joints of the finger. Nau affirms that he saw in the neighbourhood of Hebron grapes as large as one's thumb. Dandini, an Italian, was astonished at the large size which grapes attained in Lebanon, being, he says, as large as prunes. Maritz affirms that in different parts of Syria he had seen grapes of such an extraordinary size, that a bunch of them would be a sufficient burden for one man. Doubdan travelling near Bethlehem, found himself in a most delightful valley, full of aromatic herbs and rose bushes, and planted with vines. This was the traditionary vale of Eshcol, from which the clusters were obtained by the spies. It was not then the grape season, but the resident monks asserted that the bunches often weighed ten or twelve pounds.

Ch. XIX.—14. *Shall be unclean seven days.* The Egyptians kept their dead in houses and in magnificent temples and tombs after embalming them with care, for they supposed that in 3000 years the soul would return to inhabit the same body: in fact, all their religion was intimately connected with the dead, and ideas of death would appear, from their monuments, to have been the most familiar to their minds. The mystery of death seems to have added many rites too, to all idolatrous religions. To wean the Israelites from such superstitious notions, by connecting a sort of disgrace with a dead body, was, perhaps, one object of the Mosaic law, in regard to touching the dead. But as Rosenmuller remarks, we cannot expect at this distance of time to find satisfactory reasons for every appointment, knowing so little as we do of the prevalent opinions and manners of nations then. He considers this law as wisely providing that the dead should not lie unburied a great while, and thus infect the air. So the precept about open vessels (v. 15) would prevent the morbid and noxious odour from penetrating their food, &c.

Ch. XX.—17. *Let us pass, I pray thee, &c.* There is a striking practical comment on this passage in Maemichel's journey from Moscow to Constantinople. The circumstance occurred in the land of Edom. "At twelve o'clock the spy came back and reported that our enemy had posted his men to guard the stream, on both sides of the valley, in such a manner that he would not allow the shepherds of our sheikh to water their flocks. We now sent a message to Abou-Ieziers, with a proposal that if they would allow us to pass, we would not touch their water; but he returned for answer, that we should neither pass through their lands, nor drink of their water."

Ch. XXI.—6. *Fiery serpents.* Serpents abound in the same parts still; the fishermen are much afraid of them, and extinguished their fires of an evening before they went to sleep, because the light was known to attract them. The part here spoken of is at the head of the gulf on the opposite shore, where it appears that the Israelites passed when they journeyed from Mount Hor, by the way of the Red Sea, to compass the land of Edom, and when "the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people." These serpents were called fiery from the burning nature of the wounds they inflicted, and flying, perhaps, from the rapid dart which they made on their victims. 17. *Then Israel sang this song, Spring up, oh well; sing ye unto it.* The Elevalinian women practised a dance about a well, which was called chorus, and their dance was also accompanied by songs in honour of Ceres. These songs of the well are still sung in other parts of Greece, as well as in Syria. De Guys mentions them. He says that he has seen the people of Prinesi's Island assembled in the evening at a public well, suddenly strike up a dance, while others sung in concert to them. The ancient poets composed verses which were sung by the people while they drew the water, and expressly denominated 'songs of the well.' Aristotle, as cited by Winkelmann, says, 'the public wells serve as so many cements of society, uniting the people in bands of friendship, by the social intercourse of dancing together so frequently around them.'

Ch. XXII.—18. *And Balak sent yet again princes, more and more honourable than they.* Morier, in his second journey through Persia, throws some light on these expressions: 'Men of consequence in the city at different intervals presented themselves, and as we proceeded, two of the brothers of the Ameen-ed-dowlah, arrayed in brocade coats, with shawls round their caps, paid their respects to the ambassador. This succession of personages, whose rank increased as we approached the city, may bring to mind the princes, more and more honourable, which Balak sent to Balaam.

Ch. XXIII.—34. *And drink the blood of the slain.* Captain Franklin, who visited Shiraz, says, that 'a person there assured him that he saw a Turkoman soldier not only bathe his hands in the blood of some men who had been killed, but, taking some in his joined palms, he drank a little, and with the remainder washed his beard, exclaiming, 'Shooker Allah!' or 'Thanks be to God.' The savage, by this action, meant to recommend himself to the monster he served, as one that delighted to drink the blood of the enemies of his chief.'

XXXIII.—55. *Pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides.* People in the East, in consequence of their light clothing and naked feet, and narrow paths, have a great dread of thorns. Those who carry the palankeen, or who travel in groups, often cry aloud 'mulla, mulla!'—'a thorn, a thorn!' The sufferer soon throws himself on the earth, and some one famous for his skill, extracts the thorn. The expression in the text has its counterparts still existing. Does a person see something of a distressing nature, he says, 'That was a thorn in my eyes.' A father says of his bad son, 'He is to me as a thorn.' His vile expressions were like thorns in my body.' A person going to live in an unhealthy place, or where there are quarrelsome people, is said to be going 'to the thorny desert.'—Roberts' Oriental Illustrations. 'If we do not drive our sinful lusts out of our souls, they will be the death of our souls.'

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Ch. I.—44. *And chased you, as bees do.* Mr. Park, in his travels, relates that some of his associates imprudently attempted to rob a numerous hive, which they found in their way. The exasperated little animals rushed out to defend their property, and attacked them with so much fury that they quickly compelled the whole company, men, horses, and asses, to scamper off in all directions. The horses were never recovered, and a number of the asses were so severely stung, that they died the next day.

Ch. III.—8. *From the river of Arnon unto mount Hermon.* This river was the bound of their country on the south: and Hermon, which was one of the mountains of Gilead, where it joins to Libanus, was their bound on the north. Hermon, said in the next verse to be called "Sirion" by the Sidonians, is called so in Ps. xxix. 6, and joined with Lebanon; for it was as much a part of Lebanon as of Gilead; these two mountains there meeting together. 11. *His bedstead.* The people of the East use a kind of settle, called a duan, or divan, or sofa, reaching sometimes quite round the room, sometimes only along part of it. (See note at end of 2 Sam.) This may serve to illustrate the dimensions of the "bedstead" of Og, which appears to have been about fifteen feet and a half long, and six feet ten inches broad. English ideas have measured this by English bedsteads. But when we reflect that neither the divan nor its covering is so nearly fitted to the size of the person as our bedsteads in England are, we may make, in the necessary dimensions of his "bedstead," no inconsiderable allowance for the repose of this martial prince.

Ch. VII.—20. *Send the hornet among them.* To the people in England this may appear a puerile way of punishing men, but they should recollect that the natives of the East wear scarcely any clothes, having, generally speaking, only a piece of cloth round their loins: they are, therefore, much more exposed than we are to the sting of insects. The sting of the hornet and wasp of those regions is much more poisonous than in Europe, and the insect is larger in size.

Ch. VIII.—8. *Fig trees.* These are still very common in Palestine, and often grow to a very large size. Their fruit is of a very superior description. It is well known that the best figs consumed in this country come from the eastern shores of the Mediterranean, and those of Palestine are certainly not inferior to any produced on that line of coast. 'The figs,' says Jolliffe, 'are larger and less insipid than those of Europe;' and the same traveller confirms the testimony of others, in saying, 'All the fruits are excellent in their kind: there is not, indeed, any great variety, but such as there are surpass in richness any that I have elsewhere met with.' *Pomegranates.* (Note Num. xiii. 23.) *Oil olive.* The olive-tree continues to be extensively cultivated, and Palestine may still be called a land of olives. The hardiness and longevity of the tree may also have contributed to its preservation. Besides the regularly cultivated olive grounds in Judea and Galilee, clumps of several thousand trees occur frequently, and are doubtless the remains of ancient plantations. The olives and olive oil of Palestine remain to this day equal to any in the Levant. 15. *Scorpions.* The desert between Judea and Egypt is exceedingly infested with serpents and scorpions, as the words of Moses to his people clearly prove; but in the southern regions of Judea, not far from the extremity of the lake Asphaltites, rises a mountain which derived its name from the numbers of scorpions which crawled around its feet, or lodged in its destivities. "Your border," said Moses to his people, "shall turn from the south to the ascent of Akrabbim;" that is, the ascent of scorpions, from which mountain the region contiguous to Idumea seems to have been latterly called Acrabatene. The Jewish historian, in the second book of his wars of the Jews, mentions another Acrabatene, lying in a very different part of the country beyond Samaria; and in Ptolemy we find a city of Mesopotamia called Akraba, not far from Charran, and a region on the Tigris, named Acatene, for which the celebrated Bochart proposes to read Acrabene; all of them alluding to the number of scorpions with which they were infested.

Ch. XII.—31. *Their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire.* Some have doubted whether parents could be so cruel as to compel their offspring to pass through the fire, or to be burnt as a sacrifice to the gods; but we have only to look at modern India, at the numerous infants thrown into the sacred waters, and at the burning alive of widows on the funeral pile of their husbands, to see what human nature is capable of doing.

Ch. XXI.—19. *Unto the gate of his place.* (See note and cut end of Ruth.) How, in his account of Morocco and *Fez*, says 'All complaints are brought in the first instance to the cadi or governor, who, for that purpose, passes certain hours of the day in the gate of the city, partly for the sake of the fresh air, and partly to see all those who go out, and, lastly, to observe a custom which has long prevailed, of holding judgment there. The gate is contrived accordingly, being built like a square chamber, with two doors, which are not directly opposite to each other, but on two adjoining sides, with seats on the other sides.' In this manner David sat between two gates. 2 Sam. xviii. 24. 23. *And thou shalt in anywise bury him that day.* A stranger is astonished in the East to see how soon after death the corpse is buried. Hence a new-comer, on hearing of the death of a servant or native officer, who died in the morning, and who is to be interred in the evening, is almost disposed to interfere with what is to him apparently a barbarous practice. When the cholera prevails, it is truly appalling to see a man in one hour in health, and the next carried to his long home. The reason assigned for this haste is the heat of the climate.

XXII.—8. *Thou shalt make a battlement.* The top of an Eastern house, which is always flat, is covered with a strong plaister of *terrace*, from whence it has the Frank language, attained the name of 'the terrace,' a word made use of likewise in several parts of these countries. It is surrounded by two walls; the outermost of which is partly built over the street, partly makes the partition with the contiguous terrace, being frequently so low that one may climb over it. The other, or the parapet wall, as we may call it, hangs immediately over the court, being always pressed high, and answers to the sword which we render "the battlements" in Scripture. On these terraces several offices of the family are performed; such as the drying of linen, preparing of figs and raisins; here likewise they enjoy the cool refreshing breezes of the evening, converse with one another, and offer up their devotions.—shaw.

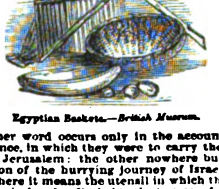
XXV.—4. *Thou shalt not muzzle the ox, when he treadeth out the corn.* The custom of thrashing corn by the trampling of bullocks still prevails in the East. The floor is made in the open air, of cows' dung and clay. In its centre a post is driven into the ground, and the corn is placed in order around it; and the bullocks, being fastened to the post, begin to move in the circle, enjoying themselves in their work, by eating the corn. 13. *Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.* The prophet Micah also speaks of "the bag of deceitful weights." As in former times, so now, much of the business of the East is transacted by travelling merchants, hence all kinds of spices and other articles are taken from one village to another by the Moors, who are in those regions what the Jews are in the West. The pedlar comes to your door, and vociferates the names of his wares, and, so soon as he catches your eye, begins to exhibit his very cheap and valuable articles. Having agreed as to the price, he then produces the bag of "divers weights," and after fumbling some time in it, he draws forth the weight by which he has to sell; but should he have to purchase anything of you, he will select a heavier weight. The man who is not cheated by this trader and his "bag of divers weights" must be blessed with more keenness than most of his fellows.

Ch. XXVII.—12, 13. *Mount Gerizim—mount Ebal.* These two mountains are situate in the tribe of Ephraim, near Shechem, in the province of Samaria, and are only separated by a valley of about 200 paces wide; so that the priests, pronouncing blessings and curses in a very loud and distinct manner, might be heard by the people on the sides of the two hills; especially if they were advanced on pulpits, as Ezra afterwards was,

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(Neh. viii. 4,) and had their pulpits placed at proper distances. 17. *Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's land-mark.* Fields in the East have not *fences* and hedges, as in England, but a ridge, a stone, or a post; and, consequently, it is not very difficult to encroach on the property of another. Should a man not be very careful, his neighbour will take away a little every year, and keep pushing his ridge into the other's ground. Disputes of the most serious nature often occur on this account, and call for the greatest diligence and activity of the authorities. An injured man repeats to his aggressor the proverb, 'The serpent shall bite him, who steps over the ridge,' i. e. he who goes beyond the landmark.

Ch. XXVIII.—5. *Thy basket and thy store.* The word 'basket' probably means their travelling baskets; and 'store' their leathern bags; in both of which they were accustomed to carry things for travelling.



Egyptian Baskets.—*British Museum.*

The former word occurs only in the account of the convenience, in which they were to carry their first-fruits to Jerusalem: the other numbers but in the description of the hurrying journey of Israel out of Egypt, where it means the utensil in which they then carried their dough. Probably the two words denote vessels used for carrying things in travelling; and being so understood, the passage promises Israel success in their commerce, as the next verse promises them personal safety in their going out and in their return. 24. *The Lord shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust.* This may, with the greatest probability, be referred to the winds, which, occasionally in the East, and particularly in desert regions, and the districts bordering on them, sweep the surface of the ground, and, whirling up the dust and sand, hurries it along, darkening the light of day, and subjecting to the most serious inconvenience, if not danger, the travellers and others who may be exposed to its operation. Even the more common and less dangerous forms of this phenomenon, which occur in regions less absolutely sandy, or where the sands are less extensive than in the great sandy deserts of Asia, are still very formidable and alarming. Mr. Buckingham has given a description of such a storm. It occurred in the desert of Suez, that is, on the western verge of that sandy desert which occupies the considerable portion of the country between Egypt and Palestine. The morning was delightful on our setting out, and promised us a fine day, but the light airs from the south increased to a gale, the sun became obscure, and as every hour brought us into more sandy ground, the blew about us in such whirlwinds, with the sudden gusts which blew, that it was impossible to proceed. We halted therefore for an hour, and took shelter under the lee of our beasts who were themselves so terrified as to need fastening by the knees, and uttered their wailings but a melancholy sympathy. Fifty gales of wind at sea appeared to me more easy to be encountered than one among these sands. It is impossible to imagine desolation more complete; we could see neither sun, earth, nor sky; the plain at ten paces distance was absolutely impereceptible; our beasts, as well as ourselves, were so covered as to render breathing difficult; they hid their faces in the ground, and we could only uncover our own for a moment, to behold this chaos of midnight darkness, and wait impatiently for its abatement.' Mr. Buckingham adds, 'that while they remained in this situation the most unbroken silence was maintained by the party, every one being too much impressed by the solemnity of the occasion, to speak. The fury of the storm at last spent itself in sudden lulls and squalls, like the storm of the ocean.'

Ch. XXIX.—11. *From the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water.* These seem to have been regarded by the Hebrews as the lowest offices of useful services, and were commonly performed by slaves and aliens. The "hewers of wood" probably not only felled the wood in the first instance and brought it to the towns, but also chopped it up for daily use as fuel. The "drawers of water" or "water carriers" exist as a class in the East to the present day. (See note and cut at end of Lam.) These men, continually passing to and fro with their wet bags through the narrower streets, are great nuisances to the towns, from the difficulty of avoiding contact with them. The care taken to avoid them, in some degree, answers to that which people exhibit in our own streets to avoid carriages and carts. In the case of no draught vehicles in Asiatic towns; and the water-carriers with their bags, together with the "hewers of wood" bearing large faggots on their own backs, or the backs of horses or mules, form the only obstruction which usually occurs in the streets, narrow as they are. In a time of public calamity, the water-carriers are the last to discontinue their labour; and their doing so is the sure indication that distress has become more intense, and is indeed a great calamity in itself.

Ch. XXXII.—3. *Their spot is not the spot of his children.* This probably alludes to the spot which idolaters have on the forehead, to show what deity they serve. The worshippers of Siva have a spot on the brow, a line with the nose, made of the ashes of cow's dung. The followers of Vishnoo have yellow marks, others have vermillion, and some black. 13. *Suck honey out of the rock.* The country abounds in wild bees, which, hiving in the rocks, furnish honey. Hasselquist says, 'between Acre and Nazareth, great numbers of wild bees breed, to the advantage of the inhabitants.' Maundrell observes of the great salt plain near Jericho, 'that he perceived in it, in many places, a smell of honey and wax, as strong as if he had been in an apiary.' *Oil out of the flinty rock.* That is, the olive trees grow in the crevices of rocks, and these yield oil. Hasselquist tells us, that 'he saw olives at Joppa, which were said to grow on the mount of Olives near Jerusalem, and that independent of their supposed holiness, they were all the better for being tasted in the Levant.' That Syria abounded in oil, is evident, from its being exported into Egypt.—Hosea xii. 1. 32. *Vine of Sodom.* Chateaubriand says, that 'the abrab which bears the true apple of Sodom, grows two or three leagues from the mouth of the Jordan; it is thorny, and has small taper leaves; its fruit is exactly like the little Egyptian melon, both in size and colour; before it is ripe, it is filled with a corrosive and saline juice; when dried, it yields a blackish seed, which may be compared to ashes, and which resembles bitter pepper in taste.' Joliffe says, 'I looked for these apples with unusual avidity, and after making a proper deduction for the rhetorical flourishes of Tacitus and Josephus, I am willing to fancy that I discovered the peculiar fruit mentioned by the writers. They grow in clusters, on a shrub five or six feet high, and are about the size of a small apricot; the colour is a bright yellow, which, contrasting with the delicate verdure of the foliage, seemed like the union of gold with emeralds. Possibly when ripe, they may crumble into dust upon any violent pressure, but those which I gathered did not retain the slightest mark of any indenture from the touch. I found them in a thicket of brush-wood, about half a mile distant from the plain of Jericho.' 33. *The poison of dragons.* The Hebrew signifies any kind of serpents, and it is certain that the dragons of Africa and Arabia had in them a deadly poison, though Bochart observes 'those of Greece had not.' It is probable that by the word rendered 'dragons' in this place, is to be understood a species of lizard, called gecko, extremely venomous and deadly. This reptile yields in malignity to no serpent whatever; he inhabits Cairo and the country of Egypt, so that he could not have been unknown to Moses; nor is he confined to desert places, but visits houses, and makes his abode in them, so that the people of Israel to whom Moses speaks, may have been well acquainted with him. The name gecko intimates the cry of this animal, which is heard especially before rain. It is found in Egypt, India, at Amboyna, the Moluccas, &c. It inhabits, by choice, the crevices of half-rotten trees, as well as humid places: it is sometimes met with in houses where it occasions great alarm, and every exertion is used to destroy it speedily. Bontius writes, 'that his bite is so venemous, that if the part bitten is not cut away or burned, death ensues in a few hours.'

Ch. XXXVI.—1. *Nebo.* The mountains Nebo, Pisgah, and Abarim, make but one chain of mountains in the country of Moab, near mount Peor, over against Jericho. It is difficult to identify any of these.

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The Book of JOSHUA.

So called from its relating the events of his life.

CHAP. I.

NOW after [a] the death of Moses the [b] servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' [c] minister, saying,

2 Moses [d] my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Israel.

3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.

4 From / the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

5 There [g] shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: [m] as I was with Moses, *so* [n] I will be with thee: [o] I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

6 Be [p] strong and of a good courage: for ‡ unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, [r] which Moses my servant commanded thee: [s] turn not from it *to* the right hand or *to* the left, that thou mayest § prosper whithersoever thou goest.

8 This [u] book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but [x] thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt § have good success.

9 Have [z] not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; [a] be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whithersoever thou goest.

10 ¶ Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,

11 Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for [c] within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it.

12 ¶ And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to half the tribe of Manasseh, spake Joshua, saying,

13 Remember [f] the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, The LORD your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.

14 Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass before your brethren ‖ armed, all the mighty men of valour, and help them;

15 Until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as *he hath given* you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them: [m] then ye shall return unto the land of your possession, and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD's servant gave you on this side Jordan toward the sunrising.

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[a] Ex. 13. 36.
[b] Ro. 1. 1.
[c] Ex. 24. 13.
[d] De. 34. 5.
[e] 1 Sa. 20. 13. 1 Ki. 1. 37.
[f] Ge. 15. 18. Ex. 23. 31.
[g] or, *And sent*
[h] Nu. 25. 1.
[i] Mat. 20. 16. 21. 31.
[j] De. 7. 24.
[k] Mat. 1. 5. He. 11. 31. Ja. 2. 25.
[l] *lay.*
[m] Ps. 127. 1. Pr. 21. 30. Da. 4. 35.
[n] Ex. 3. 12.
[o] Is. 43. 2, 5.
[p] He. 13. 5.
[q] De. 31. 23.
‡ or, *thou shalt cause this people to inherit the land, &c.*
[r] ch. 11. 15. Nu. 27. 23. De. 31. 7.
[s] 28a. 17. 19, 20
[t] De. 5. 32. 28. 14.
§ or, *do wisely.*
[u] De. 29. 9.
[x] De. 17. 18, 19
[z] Ps. 1. 2.
[a] Ex. 17. 1. 1 Ki. 18. 4. 2 Ki. 11. 2. Je. 36. 26. He. 11. 23.
‖ or, *do wisely.*
[c] ver. 7.
[f] De. 31. 7, 8, 23
[m] Ps. 27. 1. Je. 1. 8.
[b] He. 11. 1.
[c] ch. 3. 2. De. 9. 1. 11. 31.
[d] Ge. 35. 5. Ex. 23. 27. De. 2. 25. 11. 25.
[e] *melt.* Ex. 15. 15.
[e] ch. 4. 23. Ex. 14. 21.
[f] Nu. 21. 24, 34, 35.
[g] ch. 22. 2..4. Nu. 32. 20. 28.
[h] Ex. 15. 14, 15
[i] ch. 5. 1. 7. 5. Is. 13. 7.
† *rose up.*
[k] De. 4. 39.
‡ *marshalled by five:* as Ex. 13. 18.
[l] 1 Sa. 20. 14, 15, 17.
[m] Ro. 1. 31. 1 Ti. 5. 8.
[n] ch. 22. 4, &c.

16 ¶ And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.

17 According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God [e] be with thee, as he was with Moses.

18 Whosoever *he be* that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

CHAP. II.

AND Joshua the son of Nun [g] sent [f] out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an [h] harlot's house, named [k] Rahab, and † lodged there.

2 And [l] it was told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in hither to night of the children of Israel to search out the country.

3 And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country.

4 And [t] the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they *were:*

5 And it came to pass *about the time* of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake them.

6 But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and [p] hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.

7 And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.

8 ¶ And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof;

9 And she said unto the men, [b] I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that [d] your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land [e] melt because of you.

10 For we have heard how the LORD [e] dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and [f] what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that *were* on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

11 And as soon as we had [h] heard *these things,* [i] our hearts did melt, neither † did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for [k] the LORD your God, he *is* God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

12 Now, therefore, I pray you, [l] swear unto me by the LORD, since I have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto [m] my father's house, and give me a true token:

13 And *that* ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.

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14 And the men answered her, Our life [*] for your s, if ye utter not this our business. And it shall be, when the LORD hath given us the land, that [a] we will deal kindly and truly with thee.

15 Then she [b] let them down by a cord through the window: for her house *was* upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.

16 And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

17 And the men said unto her, We *will be* [c] blameless of this thine oath which thou hast made us swear.

18 Behold, *when* we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: [d] and thou shalt [†] bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee.

19 And it shall be, *that* whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his blood *shall be* upon his head, and we *will be* guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in the house, [e] his blood *shall be* on our head, if *any* hand be upon him.

20 And [f] if thou utter this our business, then we will be [m] quit of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear.

21 And she said, According unto your words, so *be* it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

22 And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought *them* throughout all the way, [r] but found *them* not.

23 ¶ So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all *things* that befell them:

24 And they said unto Joshua, Truly [s] the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the inhabitants of the country do [t] faint because of us.

CHAP. III.

AND Joshua rose [u] early in the morning; and they removed [x] from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.

2 And it came to pass [b] after three days, that the officers went through the host;

3 And they commanded the people, saying, [d] When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, [e] and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

4 Yet [f] there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed *this* way heretofore.

5 And Joshua said unto the people, [h] Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, [i] Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people.

7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to [n] magnify thee in

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[*] *instead of you to die.*

[a] Ju. 1. 24. Mat. 5. 7.
[b] Ac. 9. 25. 2 Co. 11. 33.
[c] De. 5. 28. 1 Sa. 17. 28. 2 Ki. 19. 4. Ho. 1. 10. Mat. 16. 16. 1 Th. 1. 9.
[d] Ex. 33. 2. De. 7. 1. Ps. 44. 2. [e] Ex. 20. 7.
[f] Mi. 4. 13. Zec. 4. 14. 6. 5.
[g] ch. 6. 23.
[†] *gather.*
[h] ch. 4. 2.
[i] Mat. 27. 25.
[k] Ps. 78. 13. 114. 3.
[l] Pr. 11. 13.
[m] Ge. 24. 3. 8. Le. 19. 11, 12. Nu. 30. 2. 2 Sa. 21. 1, 2, 7
[n] Ac. 7. 45.
[o] 1 Ch. 12. 15. Je. 12. 5. 49. 19.
[p] ch. 5. 10, 12.
[r] 1 Sa. 19. 10 ..12 2 Sa. 17. 20. Ps. 143. 9.
[s] 1 Ki. 4. 12. 7. 46.
[t] De. 3. 17.
[u] Ge. 14. 3. Nu. 34. 3.
[v] ch. 6. 2. 21. 44. Ex. 23. 31. Pr. 25. 13.
[x] Ex. 14. 29.
[‡] *melt.* ver. 9.
[y] Ge. 22. 3. Ps. 119. 60. Je. 7. 13. Mar. 1. 35.
[a] Mi. 6. 5.
[b] De. 27. 2.
[b] ch. 1. 10, 11. [c] ch. 3. 12, &c.
[d] Nu. 10. 33.
[e] Da. 31. 9, 25.
[f] Ge. 28. 18, 22. Ps. 103. 2.
[g] Ex. 19. 12.
[h] ver. 19, 20.
[i] Mat. 10. 1.-4.
[§] *since yesterday, and the third day.*
[k] Le. 20. 7. Nu. 11. 18. 1 Sa. 16. 5. Joel 2. 16.
[l] Nu. 4. 15.
[m] Ex. 19. 26. 13. 14. De. 6. 20. Ps. 44. 1. 78. 3, 6. Is. 38. 19. Ac. 2. 39.
[||] *to morrow.*
[n] 1 Ch. 29. 25. 2 Ch. 1. 1.

the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, *so* I will be with thee.

8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.

9 ¶ And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD your God.

10 And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that [o] the living God *is* among you, and *that* he will without fail [d] drive out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of [f] the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.

12 Now therefore [k] take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, *that* the waters of Jordan shall be cut off *from* the waters that come down from above; and they [‖] shall stand upon an heap.

14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the [m] ark of the covenant before the people;

15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for [o] Jordan overfloweth all his banks [p] all the time of harvest,)

16 That the waters which came down from above stood *and* rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that *is* beside [q] Zaretan: and those that came down [t] toward the sea of the plain, *even* [m] the salt sea, failed, *and* were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho.

17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, [a] and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.

CHAP. IV.

AND it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed [a] over Jordan, that the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

2 Take [e] you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,

3 And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, [f] twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in [k] the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.

4 Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had [i] prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man:

5 And Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel:

6 That this may be a sign among you, *that* [m] when your children ask *their fathers* ‖ in time to come, saying, What *mean* ye by these stones?

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7 Then ye shall answer them, That [a] the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a [c] memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.

8 And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

9 And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day.

10 ¶ For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua: and the people [h] hasted and passed over.

11 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.

12 And [i] the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake unto them:

13 About forty thousand [‡] prepared for war passed over before the LORD unto battle, to the plains of Jericho.

14 ¶ On that day the LORD [n] magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.

15 And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

16 Command the priests that bear [p] the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jordan.

17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come ye up out of Jordan.

18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jordan, *and* the soles of the priests' feet were [s] lifted up unto the dry land, that the waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and [t] flowed over all his banks, as *they did* before.

19 ¶ And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth *day* of the first month, and encamped [u] in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho.

20 And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.

21 And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, [y] When your children shall ask their fathers [‡] in time to come, saying, What *mean* these stones?

22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

23 For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea, [b] which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over:

24 That [c] all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it is [e] mighty: that ye might [f] fear the LORD your God [‡] for ever.

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[a] ch. 3. 13, 16.
[b] Nu. 13. 29.
[c] Ex. 12. 14. Nu. 16. 40.
[d] ch. 2. 9..11. Ex. 15.14,15. Ps. 48. 6. Exo. 21. 7.
[e] 1 Ki. 10. 5.
[e] or, *knives of flints.*
[f] Ex. 4. 25.
[†] or, *Gibeah-haaraloth.*
[g] Nu. 14. 33. 26.64,65. De. 2. 16.
[h] Ps. 95. 7. Pr. 27. 1. Ec. 9. 10. 2 Co. 6. 2.
[i] Nu. 14. 33. De. 1. 3. 2. 7. 14. Ps. 95 10,11.
[k] Nu. 32. 20, 27,29.
[l] Nu. 14. 23. He. 3. 11.
[‡] or, *ready armed.*
[m] Ex. 3. 8.
[n] ch. 3. 7.
[o] Nu. 14. 31. De. 1. 39.
[§] *when the people had made an end to be circumcised.*
[p] Ex. 25. 16,22 Re. 11. 19.
[r] Ge. 34. 25.
[s] ch. 24. 14. Ge. 34. 14. Le. 18. 3. 1 Sa. 14. 6. Exe. 20. 7. 23.3,8.
[‖] Le. *rolling.* ch. 4. 19.
[t] *plucked up*
[t] Ex. 12. 6. Nu. 9. 5.
[†] *went.*
[u] ch. 5. 9.
[v] Ex. 16. 35.
[x] ver. 6.
[‡] *to morrow.*
[y] Ge. 18. 2. 32. 24. Ex. 23. 23. Zec. 1. 8. Ac. 1. 10.
[z] Nu. 22. 33.
[§] or, *prince.* Ex. 23. 20. De. 10.13,21 12. 1. Re. 12. 7. 19.11,14.
[a] Ge. 17. 3.
[b] Ex. 14. 21.
[c] 1 Ki.8.42,43. 2 Ki. 19. 19. Ps. 106. 8.
[d] Ex. 3. 5.
Ac. 7. 33.
[e] Ex. 15. 14. 1 Ch. 29. 12. Ps. 89. 13.
[f] Ex. 14. 31. De. 6. 2. Ps. 89. 7. Je. 10. 7. 32. 40.
[‖] *all days.*

CHAP. V.

AND it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which *were* on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, [b] which *were* by the sea, [d] heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, [e] neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.

2 ¶ At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee [e] sharp [f] knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.

3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at [†] the hill of the foreskins.

4 And this *is* the cause why Joshua did circumcise: [§] All the people that came out of Egypt, *that were* males, *even* all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5 Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people *that were* born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, *them* they had not circumcised.

6 For the children of Israel walked [i] forty years in the wilderness, till all the people *that were* men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that [i] he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, [m] a land that floweth with milk and honey.

7 And [o] their children, *whom* he raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

8 And it came to pass, [§] when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the camp, [p] till they were whole.

9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away [r] the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called [s] Gilgal unto this day.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover [t] on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the pass over, unleavened cakes, and parched *corn* in the selfsame day.

12 ¶ And [v] the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

13 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood [y] a man over against him [z] with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, *Art* thou for us, or for our adversaries?

14 And he said, Nay; but *as* [§] captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua [a] fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant?

15 And the captain of the LORD's host said unto Joshua, [d] Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place wherein thou standest *is* holy. And Joshua did so.

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CHAP. VI.

NOW Jericho [a] was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.

2 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, [b] I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the [d] king thereof, *and* the mighty men of valour.

3 And [e] ye shall compass the city, all *ye* men of war, *and* go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven [f] trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and [h] the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long *blast* with the ram's horn, *and* when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down [§] flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him.

6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

7 And he said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

8 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

9 ¶ And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, [i] and the [o] rereward came after the ark, *the priests* going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

10 And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout, nor [†] make any noise with your voice, [q] neither shall *any* word proceed out of your mouth, [r] until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

11 So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about *it* once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

12 ¶ And Joshua [t] rose early in the morning, [u] and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.

13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on [v] continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, *the priests* going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early [x] about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city.

17 ¶ And the city shall be [§] accursed, *even* it, and all that *are* therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that *are* with her in the house, because [b] she hid the messengers that we sent.

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[a] ch. 7. 1, 11, 12. De. 7. 26. 13. 17.
[b] *did shut up, and was shut up.*
[d] ch. 7. 25. 1 Ki. 18. 17, 18. Jon. 1. 12.
[e] ch. 2. 9, 24. 6. 1.
[d] De. 7. 24.
[†] *holiness.*
[g] 1 Co. 1. 21–25. 2 Co. 4. 7.
[f] Ju. 7. 16, 22.
[§] ver. 5. He. 11. 30.
[h] Nu. 10. 8.
[‡] *under it.*
[i] De. 7. 2.
[§] *under it.*
[k] ch. 2. 14. He. 11. 31.
[||] *families.*
[l] Nu. 10. 25. Is. 52. 11. 58. 8.
[o] *gathering host.*
[m] Mat. 1. 5.
[†] *make your voice to be heard.*
[n] Is. 42. 2. Mat. 12. 19.
[o] 1 Ki. 16. 34.
[p] 2 Sa. 5. 23, 24. Is. 28. 16. Lu. 24. 49 Ac. 1. 7.
[r] Ac. 18. 9, 10.
[s] ch. 9. 1, 3.
[t] Je. 25. 3. 26. 5. Mar. 1. 35.
[u] De. 31. 25.
[v] ch. 22. 20. 1 Ch. 2. 7. *Achar.*
[x] or, *Zimri,* 1 Ch. 2. 6.
[y] 1 Ch. 15. 25. Mat. 24. 13. Ga. 6. 9.
[z] Ps. 119. 147. Mar. 16. 2. 2 Pe. 1. 19.
[‡] *about two thousand men, or about three thousand men.*
[a] Le. 26. 17. De. 28. 25.
[§] or *devoted.* Le. 27. 28. Mi. 4. 13. 1 Co. 16. 22. Ga. 3. 10, 13.
[||] or, *in Morad.*
[b] ch. 2. 4.
[c] Le. 26. 36. Ps. 22. 14.

18 And ye, [a] in any wise keep *yourselves* from the accursed thing, lest ye make *yourselves* accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, [b] and trouble it.

19 But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, *are* [†] consecrated unto the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

20 So the people shouted when *the priests* blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that [c] the wall fell down [‡] flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

21 And they [d] utterly destroyed all that *was* in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

22 But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, [§] as ye sware unto her.

23 And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her [||] kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that *was* therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

25 And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's houshold, and all that she had; and she [m] dwelleth in Israel *even* unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

26 ¶ And Joshua adjured *them* at that time, saying, [e] Cursed *be* the man before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest *son* shall he set up the gates of it.

27 So [f] the LORD was with Joshua; and [g] his fame was *noised* throughout all the country.

CHAP. VII.

BUT the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for [x] Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of [y] Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.

2 And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which *is* beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, Go up and view the country. And the men went up and viewed Ai.

3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up; but let [‡] about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; *and* make not all the people to labour thither; for they *are but* few.

4 So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men: [a] and they fled before the men of Ai.

5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from* before the gate *even* unto Shebarim, and smote them [||] in the going down: wherefore [c] the hearts of the people melted, and became as water.

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6 ¶ And Joshua [a] rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and [b] put dust upon their heads.

7 And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, [c] wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!

8 O Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their † backs before their enemies!

9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear *of it*, and shall environ us round, and [d] cut off our name from the earth: and [e] what wilt thou do unto thy great name?

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up; wherefore † liest thou thus upon thy face?

11 Israel [f] hath sinned, and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: [g] for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and [h] dissembled also, and they have put *it* even among their own stuff.

12 Therefore [i] the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, *but* turned *their* backs before their enemies, because [k] they were accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you.

13 Up, [l] sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow: for thus saith the LORD God of Israel, [m] *There is an* accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from among you.

14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes: and it shall be, *that* [n] the tribe which the LORD taketh shall come according to the families *thereof*; and the family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and the household which the LORD shall take shall come man by man.

15 And [o] it shall be, *that* he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he [p] hath wrought † folly in Israel.

16 ¶ So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel by their tribes; and the tribe of Judah was taken:

17 And he brought the family of Judah; and he took the family of the [q] Zarhites: and he brought the family of the Zarhites man by man; and Zabdi was taken:

18 And he brought his household man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, [r] was taken.

19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, [s] give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel, [t] and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide *it* not from me.

20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, [u] Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:

21 When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a † wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they *are* hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.

22 ¶ So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, *it was* hid in his tent, and the silver under it.

23 And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and [v] laid them out before the LORD.

24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the [w] valley of Achor.

25 And Joshua said, [x] Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. [y] And all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26 And they [z] raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So [a] the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, [b] The valley of § Achor, unto this day.

CHAP. VIII.

AND the LORD said unto Joshua, [c] Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, [d] I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land:

2 And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto [e] Jericho and her king: only [f] the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it.

3 ¶ So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Behold, [g] ye shall lie in wait against the city, *even* behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:

5 And I, and all the people that *are* with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that [h] we will flee before them,

6 (For they will come out after us) till we have [i] drawn them from the city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them.

7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for [j] the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand.

8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, *that* ye shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. [k] See, I have commanded you.

9 ¶ Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people.

10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai.

11 And all the people, *even the people* of war that *were* with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now *there was* a valley between them and Ai.

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[a] Ge. 37. 29, 34.
[b] 1 Sa. 4. 12. 2 Sa. 1. 2. 13. 19. Ne. 9. 1. Job 2. 12.
[c] Ex. 5. 22. 2 Ki. 3. 10.
[d] *poured.*
† *necks.*
[d] ch. 15. 7.
[e] Ps. 83. 4.
[f] Ex. 32. 12. Nu. 14. 13.
[g] 1 Ch. 2. 7. Ga. 5. 12.
[h] De. 17. 5.
‡ *fallest.*
[i] ver. 1.
[k] ch. 8. 29. 2 Sa. 18. 17. La. 3. 53.
[l] De. 13. 17. 2 Sa. 21. 14.
[m] ch. 6. 17, 18.
[n] Ac. 5. 1, 2.
[o] Is. 65. 10. Ho. 2. 15.
§ i.e. *trouble.*
[p] Nu. 14. 45. Ju. 2. 14.
[r] De. 1. 21. 7. 18. 31. 8.
[s] De. 7. 26.
[t] ch. 6. 2.
[u] Ex. 19. 10. La. 3. 40, 41. Joel 2. 16, 17 Zep. 2. 1, 2.
[v] ch. 6. 21.
[x] 2 Ch. 28. 10. Mat. 7. 5.
[y] De. 30. 1, 2. Job 27. 16, 17. Ps. 39. 6. Pr. 13. 22. 28. 20. Je. 17. 11. Lu. 12. 20, 21.
[z] Pr. 16. 33.
[a] Ju. 20. 29. 1 Sa. 15. 2, 3. Ac. 23. 21.
[b] 1 Sa. 14. 28, 39.
[c] Ju. 20. 22.
[d] Ge. 34. 7. Ju. 20. 6. 1 Sa. 26. 21. 2 Sa. 13. 13.
‖ or, *wickedness.*
[e] *pulled.*
[f] Ge. 38. 30.
[g] 2 Ki. 5. 1. Pr. 21. 30, 31.
[h] Ju. 4. 6. 2 Sa. 13. 28.
[i] Nu. 22. 23. 1 Sa. 14. 42. Pr. 13. 21. Je. 2. 26.
[j] 1 Sa. 6. 5. Je. 13. 16. Lu. 17. 18. Jno. 9. 24.
[k] Nu. 5. 6, 7. 2 Ch. 30. 22. Ps. 32. 5. 51. 3. Pr. 28. 13. Je. 3. 12, 13. Da. 9. 4. Ro. 10. 10. 1 Jno. 1. 8, 10.
[l] Ge. 42. 21. Ps. 38. 18.
† *long us.*

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12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side [o] of the city.

13 And when they had set the people, *even* all the host that *was* on the north of the city, and [t] their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley.

14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw *it*, that they hasted and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he [c] wist not that *there were* liers in ambush against him behind the city.

15 And Joshua and all Israel [d] made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.

16 And all the people that *were* in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were [k] drawn away from the city.

17 And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.

18 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch [m] out the spear that *is* in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua stretched out the spear that *he had* in his hand toward the city.

19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

20 And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, [r] the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and [s] they had no [§] power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.

21 And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.

22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they [y] let none of them remain or escape.

23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25 And *so* it was, *that* all that fell that day, both of men and women, *were* twelve thousand, *even* all the men of Ai.

26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

27 Only [e] the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he [g] commanded Joshua.

28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it [i] an heap for ever, *even* a desolation unto this day.

29 And [k] the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: [m] and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and [o] raise thereon a great heap of stones, *that remaineth* unto this day.

30 ¶ Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel [b] in mount Ebal,

31 As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the [c] book of the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up *any* iron: and [d] they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.

32 ¶ And [f] he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

33 And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, [h] which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well [i] the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; [l] as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Israel.

34 And afterward [n] he read all the words of the law, [o] the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the book of the law.

35 There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all the congregation of Israel, [p] with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that [‡] were conversant among them.

CHAP. IX.

AND It came to pass, when all the kings which *were* on this side Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of [r] the great sea over against Lebanon, [u] the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard *thereof*;

2 That they [v] gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one [‖] accord.

3 ¶ And when the inhabitants of [x] Gibeon [z] heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to Ai,

4 They did [a] work wilily, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up;

5 And old shoes and clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread of their provision was dry *and* mouldy.

6 And they went to Joshua [b] unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto him, and to the men of Israel, We be come from a far country: now therefore make ye a league with us.

7 And the men of Israel said unto the [c] Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell among us; and [d] how shall we make a league with you?

8 And they said unto Joshua, [f] We *are* thy servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who *are* ye? and from whence come ye?

9 And they said unto him, [h] From a very far country thy servants are come because of the name of the LORD thy God: for we have [i] heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,

10 And [n] all that he did to the two kings

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[a] ch. 7. 26.
[o] *or, of Ai.*
[t] *their lying in wait.* ver. 4.
[b] De. 27. 4.
[c] De. 27. 5, 6.
[d] Ex. 20. 24.
[e] Ju. 20. 34. Ec. 9. 3. Is. 19. 11, 13. Da. 4. 31. Mat. 24. 39, 50. 1 Th. 5. 1...3.
[f] De. 27. 2, 8.
[g] Ju. 20. 36, &c.
[h] De. 31. 9, 25.
[i] De. 31. 12.
[k] Ps. 9. 16.
[l] De. 11. 29. 27. 12.
[m] Ex. 8. 5. 17. 11.
[n] Ne. 8. 3.
[o] De. 28. 2, 15, 45. 29. 20, 21. 30. 19.
[p] Ac. 21. 5.
[‡] *walked.*
[r] Ge. 19. 28. Is. 34. 10. Re. 19. 3.
[s] Job 11. 20. Ps. 68. 5, 6. 76. 5. Am. 2. 14... 16. Re. 6. 15...17
[§] *hand.*
[t] Nu. 34. 6.
[u] Ex. 3. 17. 23. 23...
[v] Ps. 83. 3, 5.
[‖] *mouth.*
[x] 2 Sa. 21. 1, 2.
[y] De. 7. 2. Job 20. 5. Lu. 17. 26... 30. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[z] ch. 6. 27.
[a] Ge. 34. 13. 1 Ki. 20. 31 ...33. Mat. 10. 16. Lu. 16. 8.
[b] ch. 5. 10.
[c] ch. 11. 19.
[d] Ex. 23. 32. De. 7. 2. 20. 16. Ju. 2. 2.
[e] Nu. 31 22, 26
[f] 2 Ki. 10. 5.
[g] ver. 2.
[h] De. 20. 15
[i] De. 13. 16. Mi. 3. 12.
[k] ch. 10. 26, 27 Ps. 107. 40. 110. 5. Ac. 13. 23.
[l] Ex 15 14. Jos. 2. 10.
[m] De. 21. 23.
[n] Nu 21. 24, 33

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of the Amorites, that *were* beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which *was* at Ashtaroth.

11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, Take victuals [e] with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, We *are* your servants: therefore now make ye a league with us.

12 This our bread we took hot *for* our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy:

13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, *were* new; and, behold, they be rent: and these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey.

14 And ‖ the men took of their victuals, [f] and asked not *counsel* at the mouth of the LORD.

15 And Joshua [g] made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them live: and the princes of the congregation sware unto them.

16 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they *were* their neighbours, and *that* they dwelt among them.

17 And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now their cities *were* [i] Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjathjearim.

18 And the children of Israel [k] smote them not, [l] because the princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against the princes.

19 But all the princes said unto all the congregation, [m] We have sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them.

20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest [n] wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them.

21 And the princes said unto them, Let them live; but let them be [o] hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation; as the princes had promised them.

22 ¶ And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We *are* very far from you; when ye dwell among us?

23 Now therefore ye *are* [p] cursed, and there shall § none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God.

24 And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was certainly told thy servants, how that the LORD thy God [q] commanded his servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you, therefore [r] we were sore afraid of our lives because of you, and have done this thing.

25 And now, behold, we *are* [s] in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do unto us, do.

26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slew them not.

27 And Joshua † made them that day [t] hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, even unto this day, [u] in the place which he should choose.

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[a] ch. 6. 21.
[b] *in your hand.*
[c] ch. 8. 22,26, 28.
[d] ch. 9. 15.
[e] Ex. 15. 15, 16 De. 11. 25.
† *cities of the kingdom.*
‖ or, *they received the men by reason of their victuals.*
[f] Nu. 27. 21. Ju. 1. 1. 1 Sa. 23. 10. 23. 10, 11. 30. 8. 2 Sa. 2. 1. 5. 19. Pr. 3. 5, 6. Is. 30. 1, 2 Ja. 1. 5.
[g] ch. 9. 15.
[h] 2 Sa. 21. 2.
[i] ch. 5. 10.
[k] ch. 18. 25, 28. Ezr. 2. 25.
[l] Ps. 15. 4. Ec. 5. 2.
[m] ch. 8. 1. Ec. 8. 2. 9. 2. Je. 4. 2.
[n] Ju. 4. 14.
[o] ch. 1. 5.
[p] 2 Sa. 21. 1...6 2 Ch. 36. 13. Pr. 20. 25. Ese. 17. 13.. 19. Zec. 5. 3, 4. Mal. 3. 5. Ro. 1. 31. 1 Ti. 1. 10.
[q] Ju. 4. 15. 1 Sa. 7. 10, 12. Ps. 18. 14. Is. 28. 21.
[r] De. 29. 11. 2 Ch. 2. 17, 18
[s] ch. 16. 3, 5.
[t] ch. 15. 35.
[u] Ps. 18. 13, 14. 77. 17. Is. 30. 30. Re. 16. 21.
[v] Ge. 9. 25.
§ *not be cut off from you.*
[w] Is. 28. 21. Hab. 3. 11.
[x] Ex. 23. 33
‖ *be silent.*
[y] Ju. 12. 12.
[z] Ex. 15. 14.
[a] 2 Sa. 1. 18.
[b] Ge. 16. 6.
[c] or, *the upright?*
[d] Is. 38. 8.
[e] ch. 23. 3. De. 1. 30.
† *gave*, or, *delivered to be.* 1 Ch. 9. 2. Ezr. 8. 20.
[f] ver. 21, 23.
[g] De. 12. 5.
[h] Ps. 68. 4...6. 139. 7...12. Is. 2. 10...12. Am. 9. 2.
[i] Is. 24. 21, 22.

CHAP. X.

NOW it came to pass, when Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; [a] as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to [b] Ai and her king; and [c] how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them;

2 That they [d] feared greatly, because Gibeon *was* a great city, as one of the † royal cities, and because it *was* greater than Ai, and all the men thereof *were* mighty.

3 Wherefore Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying,

4 Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: [e] for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel.

5 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.

6 ¶ And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua [f] to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us.

7 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and [g] all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, [h] Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hand; [i] there shall not a man of them stand before thee.

9 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, *and* went up from Gilgal all night.

10 And the LORD [k] discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up [l] to Bethhoron, and smote them [m] to Azekah, and unto Makkedah.

11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, *and* were in the going down to Beth-horon, [n] that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: *they were* more which died with hailstones than *they* whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.

12 ¶ Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, [o] Sun, ‖ stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of [p] Ajalon.

13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. [q] *Is* not this written in the book of [r] Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

14 And there was [s] no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for [t] the LORD fought for Israel.

15 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

16 But these five kings fled, [u] and hid themselves [x] in a cave at Makkedah.

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17 And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah.

18 And Joshua said, [a] Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:

19 And stay ye not, *but* pursue after your enemies, and [b] smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath delivered them into your hand.

20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of them entered into [c] fenced cities.

21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: [d] none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

22 Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave.

23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, *and* the king of Eglon.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, [e] put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

25 And Joshua said unto them, [f] Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for [g] thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they [h] were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, *that* Joshua commanded, and they [i] took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, *which remain* until this very day.

28 ¶ And that day Joshua took [k] Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, [l] and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah [m] as he did unto the king of Jericho.

29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto [n] Libnah, and fought against Libnah:

30 And the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof as he did unto the king of Jericho.

31 ¶ And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto [o] Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

32 And the LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33 ¶ Then Horam king of [p] Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

34 ¶ And from Lachish Joshua passed unto Eglon, and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:

35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein he utterly [q] destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.

36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto [r] Hebron; and they fought against it:

37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that *were* therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that *were* therein.

38 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to [s] Debir; and fought against it:

39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that *were* therein; [t] he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

40 ¶ So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, [u] but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Israel [v] commanded.

41 And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto [w] Gaza, [x] and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.

42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, [y] because the LORD God of Israel fought for Israel.

43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

CHAP. XI.

AND it came to pass, when Jabin king of Hazor had heard *those things*, that he [z] sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king [a] of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph,

2 And to the kings that *were* on the north of the mountains, and of the plains south of [b] Chinneroth, and in the valley, and in the borders [c] of Dor on the west,

3 *And to* the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and *to* the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the mountains, [d] and *to* the Hivite under [e] Hermon [f] in the land of Mizpeh.

4 And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, [g] even as the sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many.

5 And when all these kings were [†] met together, they came and pitched together at the waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.

6 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, [h] Be not afraid because of them: for to morrow about this time will I deliver them up all slain before Israel: thou shalt [i] hough their [k] horses, and burn their chariots with fire.

7 So Joshua came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the

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[a] Job 21. 29, 30. Am. 5. 19. Mat. 27. 66.
[b] *cut off the tail.*
[c] Job 19. 10.
[d] ch. 14. 13. 15. 13. Ge. 13. 18. Nu. 13. 22. Ju. 1. 10. 2 Sa. 5. 1...5. 15. 9, 10. 1 Ch. 12. 23...38.
[d] 2 Sa. 20. 6. Je. 8. 14.
[e] Ex. 11. 7. Is. 54. 17. 57. 4.
[f] ch. 15. 15. Ju. 1. 11.
[g] De. 3. 3. 2 Ki. 10. 11. Ob. 18.
[h] Ps. 107. 40. 110. 5. 149. 8, 9. Is. 26. 5, 6. Mal. 4. 3.
[i] 1 Ki. 15. 29. Ps. 9. 17. 2 Th. 1. 7, 9.
[k] De. 21. 6, 8. 1 Sa. 17. 37. Ac. 22. 11. 2 Ti. 4. 17, 18.
[l] De. 20. 16, 17.
[m] De. 3. 21. 7. 19.
[n] Ge. 10. 19.
[o] ch. 11. 16.
[p] ch. 8. 29.
[r] ver. 14.
[s] ch. 8. 29. De. 21. 23. 2 Sa. 18. 17.
[t] ch. 10. 3.
[u] ch. 12. 41.
[v] ch. 19. 15.
[w] Ps. 21. 8, 9. 110. 1. Lu. 19. 27.
[x] Nu. 34. 11.
[a] ch. 6. 21.
[b] ch. 17. 11. Ju. 1. 27. 1 Ki. 4. 11.
[c] Nu. 33. 20. 2 Ki. 8. 22. 19. 8. Je. 52. 1.
[d] Ju. 3. 3.
[e] ch. 13. 11.
[f] Ge. 31. 49.
[g] Ge. 22. 17. 32. 12. Ju. 7. 12. 1 Sa. 13. 5.

[†] *assembled by appointment.*

[h] 2 Ki. 19. 8. 2 Ch. 11. 9. Is. 37. 8. Mi. 1. 13.
[i] ch. 10. 8.
[k] 2 Sa. 8. 4.
[l] Is. 30. 16. 31. 1. Ho. 14. 3.
[l] Ju. 1. 29. 1 Ki. 9. 16, 17. 1 Ch. 6. 67. 20. 4.

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waters of Merom [a] suddenly; and they fell upon them.

8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased them unto [b] great Zidon, and unto [†] Misrephoth-maim, [c] and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.

9 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

10 ¶ And Joshua at that time turned back, and took [f] Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11 And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying *them:* there was not [g] any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.

12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, *and* he utterly destroyed them, [h] as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.

13 But *as for* the cities that stood still [i] in their strength, Israel burned none of them, save Hazor only; *that* did Joshua burn.

14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe.

15 ¶ As [k] the LORD commanded Moses his servant, so [l] did Moses command Joshua, and [m] so did Joshua; [†] he left [n] nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Moses.

16 So Joshua took all that land, [o] the hills, and all the south country, [p] and all the land of Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the same;

17 *Even* [q] from the [‡] mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and [r] all their kings he took, and smote them, and slew them.

18 Joshua made war a long time with all those kings.

19 There was not a city that made peace with the children of Israel, save [s] the Hivites the inhabitants of Gibeon: all *other* they took in battle.

20 For [t] it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in battle, that he might destroy them utterly, *and* that they might have no favour, but that he might destroy them, [u] as the LORD commanded Moses.

21 ¶ And at that time came Joshua, and cut off [w] the Anakims from the mountains, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the mountains of Judah, and from all the mountains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their cities.

22 There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza, in [x] Gath, and in [y] Ashdod, there remained.

23 So Joshua took the whole land, [z] according to all that the LORD said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel [a] according to their divisions by their tribes. [b] And the land rested from war.

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[a] Lu. 21. 34. 1 Th. 5. 2, 3.
[b] or, *Zidon-rabbah.*
[c] Nu. 21. 24.
[†] *burnings,* or, *salt pits*
[d] ch. 13. 6.
[e] De. 3. 8, 9. [f] Nu. 21. 24. De. 2 33,36. 3. 6, 16.
[f] Ju. 4. 2.
[g] ch. 13. 30.
[‡] or, *Teman.*
[§] or, *the springs of Pisgah,* or, *the hill.*
[h] De. 4. 49.
[||] *any breath.*
[i] De. 3. 4, 10.
[k] ch. 13. 12.
[l] De. 1. 4.
[m] Ps. 135. 3.
[n] Nu. 33. 52. De. 7. 2. 20. 16, 17.
[o] *on their heap.*
[o] Nu. 21. 24, 33
[p] Nu. 32. 29, 33
[q] ch. 11. 17.
[r] Ex. 34. 11, 12.
[s] De. 7. 2.
[t] ch. 1. 7.
[†] *he removed nothing.*
[u] 1 Sa. 15. 1, &c. Lu. 11. 42. Ac. 20. 20, 27
[w] Ge. 14. 6. 32. 3. De. 2. 1, 4.
[x] ch. 11. 23.
[y] ch. 12. 8.
[z] ch. 10. 41.
[a] ch. 10. 40.
[b] Ex. 3. 8. 23. 23.
[c] ch. 12. 7.
[‡] or, *smooth mountain.*
[d] ch. 6. 2.
[e] ch. 8. 29.
[f] De. 7. 24.
[g] ch. 10 23. 38.
[h] ch. 9. 3, 7.
[i] Ju. 14. 4. 1 Sa. 2. 25. 1 Ki. 12. 15. Ro. 9. 18.
[k] De. 20. 16, 17
[l] Ju. 1. 22
[m] Nu. 13. 22, 33 De. 1. 28.
[n] 1 Ki. 4. 10.
[§] or, *Sharon.* Is. 33. 9.
[o] ch. 19. 15.
[p] 1 Sa. 17. 4.
[q] ch. 15. 46.
[r] Nu. 31. 2, &c
[s] ch. 19. 37.
[t] ch. XIV.. XIX. Nu. 26. 53.
[u] Ge. 14. 1, 2. Is. 9. 1.
[v] ch. 23. 1.

CHAP. XII.

NOW these *are* the kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, [a] from the river Arnon [d] unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:

2 Sihon [b] king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, *and* ruled from Aroer, which *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon;

3 And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain, *even* the salt sea on the east, [§] the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from [‡] the south, under [§] Ashdoth-pisgah: [h]

4 ¶ And [i] the coast of Og king of Bashan, *which was* of [k] the remnant of the giants, [l] that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei,

5 And reigned in [m] mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon.

6 Them [n] did Moses the servant of the LORD and the children of Israel smite: and [o] Moses the servant of the LORD gave it *for* a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.

7 ¶ And these *are* the kings of the country [p] which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to [q] Seir; which Joshua [r] gave unto the tribes of Israel *for* a possession according to their divisions;

8 In [s] the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; [t] the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:

9 ¶ The [u] king of Jericho, one; [f] the king of Ai, which *is* beside Beth-el, one;

10 The [h] king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;

11 The king of Jarmuth, one: the king of Lachish, one;

12 The king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one;

13 The king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one;

14 The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one;

15 The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one;

16 The king of Makkedah, one; [m] the king of Beth-el, one;

17 The king of Tappuah, one; [v] the king of Hepher, one;

18 The king of Aphek, one; the king of [§] Lasharon, one;

19 The king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one;

20 The king of [p] Shimron meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one;

21 The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one;

22 The [w] king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;

23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of [x] the nations of Gilgal, one;

24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

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CHAP. XIII.

NOW Joshua [a] was old *and* stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old *and* stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land [b] to be possessed.

2 This [c] is the land that yet remaineth: [d] all the borders of the Philistines, and all [e] Geshuri,

3 From [f] Sihor, which *is* before Egypt, even unto the borders of Ekron northward, *which* is counted to the Canaanite: [g] five lords of the Philistines; the Gazathites, and the Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also [h] the Avites:

4 From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and [i] Mearah that *is* beside the Sidonians, [k] unto Aphek, to the borders of [l] the Amorites:

5 And the land of [m] the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the sunrising, [n] from Baal-gad under mount Hermon unto the entering into Hamath.

6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, *and* all the Sidonians, them [o] will I drive out from before the children of Israel: only [p] divide thou it by lot unto the Israelites for an inheritance, as I have commanded thee.

7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

8 With whom the Reubenites and the Gadites have received their inheritance, [q] which Moses gave them, beyond Jordan eastward, *even* as Moses the servant of the LORD gave them;

9 From Aroer, that *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, [r] and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon;

10 And [s] all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of Ammon;

11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah;

12 All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei, who remained of [t] the remnant of the giants: [u] for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.

13 Nevertheless the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites until this day.

14 Only [v] unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance; the sacrifices of the LORD God of Israel made by fire *are* their inheritance, as he said unto them.

15 ¶ And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben *inheritance* according to their families.

16 And their coast was [w] from Aroer, that *is* on the bank of the river Arnon, [x] and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, [y] and all the plain by Medeba;

17 Heshbon, and all her cities that *are* in the plain; Dibon, and § Bamoth-baal, and Beth-baal-meon,

18 And [z] Jahaza, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath,

19 And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and Zareth-shahar in the mount of the valley,

20 And Beth-peor, and ‖ Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth,

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[a] De. 3. 10.
[b] ch. 11. 10. 23. 1.
[c] Nu. 21. 24.
[d] Nu. 31. 8.
[e] *to possess it* De. 31. 3.
[f] Ju. 3. 1.
[g] Joel 3. 4.
[h] Nu. 23. 5. 2 Pe. 2. 15. Jude 11. Re. 2. 14. 19. 20.
[i] 2 Sa. 3. 3. 13. 37, 38.
† or, *downer.*
[k] Je. 2. 18.
[l] Ju. 3. 3. 1 Sa. 6. 4, 16. Zep. 2. 5.
[m] De. 2. 23.
‡ or, *the cave*
[n] ch. 19. 30.
[o] Ju. 1. 34.
[p] 1 Ki. 5. 18. Ps. 83. 7. Eze. 27. 9.
[q] Compare Nu. 21. 26, 28, 29, with De. 2. 19. Ju. 11. 13, &c.
[r] ch. 12. 7.
[s] 2 Sa. 11. 1. 12. 26.
[t] ch. 23. 13. Ju. 2. 21, 23.
[u] Nu. 32. 35.
[v] Ge. 33. 17. 1 Ki. 7. 46.
[w] Ch. 14. 1, 2.
[x] Nu. 34. 11.
[y] ch. 22. 4. Nu. 32. 33. De. 3. 12, 13.
[z] Nu. 21. 30.
[a] Nu. 32. 41. 1 Ch. 2. 23.
[b] Nu. 21. 24, 25.
[c] ch. 12. 4.
[d] De. 3. 11.
[e] Ps. 18. 32.
[f] ch. 18. 7.
[g] Nu. 18. 20. De. 10. 9. 18. 1, 2.
[h] Nu. 18. 20, 23. 24.
[i] Nu. 34. 17, 18
[k] Nu. 26. 55. 33. 54. 34. 13.
[l] ch. 12. 2.
[m] ch. 13. 8, 32, 33.
[n] Nu. 21. 28.
[o] ver. 9.
[p] Nu. 21. 30.
[q] Ge. 48. 5. 1 Ch. 5. 1, 2.
§ or, *the high places of Baal, and house of Baal-meon* Nu. 32. 38.
[r] Nu. 21. 23.
[s] ch. 21. 2. Nu. 35. 2.
‖ or, *springs of Pisgah,* or, *the hill.*

21 And [a] all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, [b] whom Moses smote [c] with the princes of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, *which* were dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.

22 ¶ Balaam [d] also the son of Beor, the † soothsayer, did the children of Israel slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.

23 And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border *thereof.* This *was* the inheritance of the children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

24 And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the tribe of Gad, *even* unto the children of Gad according to their families.

25 And their coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, [e] and half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that *is* before [f] Rabbah;

26 And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir;

27 And in the valley, [g] Beth-aram, and Beth-nimrah [h] and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and *his* border, *even* unto the edge [i] of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.

28 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.

29 ¶ And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and *this* was *the possession* of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh by their families.

30 And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and [k] all the towns of Jair, which *are* in Bashan, threescore cities:

31 And half Gilead, and [l] Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, *were pertaining* unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, *even* to the one half of the children of Machir by their families.

32 These *are the countries* which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.

33 But [m] unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not *any* inheritance: the LORD God of Israel *was* their inheritance, [n] as he said unto them.

CHAP. XIV.

AND these *are the countries* which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, [o] which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.

2 By [p] lot *was* their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and *for* the half tribe.

3 For [q] Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.

4 For [r] the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell in, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their substance.

5 As [s] the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they divided the land.

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6 ¶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the [h] Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest [c] the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and thee [f] in Kadesh-barnea.

7 Forty years old *was* I when Moses the servant of the LORD [d] sent me from Kadesh-barnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again as *it was* in mine heart.

8 Nevertheless [h] my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly [i] followed the LORD my God.

9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, [k] Surely the land [e] whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, [l] as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while *the children of* Israel [m] wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I *am* this day fourscore and five years old.

11 As [n] yet I *am as* strong this day as *I was* in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength *was* then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both [o] to go out, and to come in.

12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how [p] the Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great *and* fenced: [q] if so be the LORD *will be* with me, then [r] I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13 And Joshua [f] blessed him, [s] and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.

14 Hebron [h] therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he [i] wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.

15 And [u] the name of Hebron before *was* Kirjath-arba; *which* [t] *Arba was* a great man among the Anakims. [v] And the land had rest from war.

CHAP. XV.

THIS then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families; [w] *even* to the border of Edom the [x] wilderness of Zin southward *was* the uttermost part of the south coast.

2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the [t] bay that looketh southward:

3 And it went out to the south side [a] to [§] Maaleh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto [b] Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:

4 *From thence* it passed [c] toward Azmon, and went out unto [d] the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south coast.

5 And the east border *was* the salt sea, *even* unto the end of Jordan. And *their* border in the north quarter *was* from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:

6 And the border went up to [e] Beth-hogla, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up [a] to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben:

7 And the border went up toward Debir from [d] the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward [e] Gilgal, that *is* before the going up to Adummim, which *is* on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out thereof were at [h] En-rogel:

8 And the border went up [f] by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the south side of the Jebusite; the same *is* Jerusalem: and the border went up to the top of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of Hinnom westward, which *is* at the end [m] of the valley of the giants northward:

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto [p] the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn [r] to Baalah, which *is* [s] Kirjath-jearim:

10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim, which *is* Chesalon, on the north side, and went down to [u] Beth-shemesh, and passed on to [v] Timnah:

11 And the border went out unto the side of [y] Ekron northward: and the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.

12 And the west border *was* [b] to the great sea, and the coast *thereof*. This *is* the coast of the children of Judah round about according to their families.

13 ¶ And [c] unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, *even* [†] the [d] city of Arba the father of Anak, which *city is* Hebron.

14 And Caleb drove thence [e] the three sons of Anak, [w] Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.

15 And [f] he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before *was* Kirjath-sepher.

16 ¶ And [r] Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.

17 And [g] Othniel the [t] son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

18 And [u] it came to pass, as she came *unto him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and [y] she lighted off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wouldest thou?

19 Who answered, Give me a [a] blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

20 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.

21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the coast of Edom southward were [c] Kabzeel, and *f* Eder, and Jagur,

22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,

23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,

24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,

25 And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, *and* Hezron, which *is* Hazor,

26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah.

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[a] ch. 18. 17.
[b] ch. 15. 17. Nu. 32. 12.
[c] Nu 14.24,30 De. 1. 36,38.
[d] ch. 7. 26. Is. 65. 10. Ho. 2. 15.
[e] 1 Sa. 10. 8. 11.14,15. 15. 33.
[f] Nu. 13. 26.
[g] Nu. 13. 6. 14. 6.
[h] 2 Sa. 17. 17. 1 Ki. 1. 9.
[i] 2 Ki. 23.10. 2 Ch. 28. 3. Je. 7. 31,32. 19. 2, 6.
[k] Nu.13.30,32 De. 1. 28.
[l] 2 Ch. 15.15. Ps. 119. 10.
[m] 2 Sa. 5. 18, 22. Is. 17. 5.
[n] Nu.14.23,24 De. 1. 36.
[o] Nu. 13. 22.
[p] ch. 18. 15.
[q] 2 Sa. 6. 2. 1 Ch. 13. 6.
[r] Ju. 18. 12.
[s] Nu. 14. 30. *walked.*
[t] 18a.6.19..21
[u] De. 34. 7.
[v] Ge. 38. 13. Ju. 14. 1.
[w] ch. 19. 47.
[x] De. 31. 2.
[a] Nu.13.28,33
[b] Nu. 34. 6,7.
[c] Ps.18.32,34. 60.12. Ro. 8. 31.
[d] Ju. 1. 20.
[e] ch. 14. 13.
[f] ch. 22. 6.
[§] ch.21.11,12. 1Ch.6 55,56
[†] *or, Kirjath-arba.*
[h] ch. 21. 12.
[i] ch. 14. 15.
[k] Ju. 1.10,20.
[l] 1 Co. 15.58.
[m] Nu. 13. 22.
[n] Ge. 23. 2.
[o] Ju. 1. 11.
[p] ch. 11. 23.
[q] Ju. 1.13,13.
[r] Ju. 3. 9.
[s] Nu. 32. 12.
[t] Nu. 34. 3.
[u] Nu. 33. 36.
[v] Ju. 1. 14.
[w] Ge. 2. 24. 1 Sa. 25. 23.
[‡] *tongue.*
[a] Nu. 34. 4.
[b] Ge. 33. 11. 2 Co. 9. 5.
[§] *or, the going up to Acrabbim.* Ju. 1. 36.
[b] Ge. 14. 7. Nu. 20. 1. 32. 8.
[c] Nu. 34. 5.
[d] Ex. 23. 31.
[e] No. 11. 25.
[f] Ge. 35. 21.
[g] ch. 19. 14.

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27 And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and [c] Beth-palet,
28 And [d] Hazar-shual, and [e] Beer-sheba, and Bizjothjah,
29 Baalah, and Iim, and Azem,
30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and [e] Hormah,
31 And [f] Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,
32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and [g] Rimmon: all the cities *are* twenty and nine, with their villages:
33 *And* in the valley, [i] Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,
34 And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,
35 Jarmuth, and [k] Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,
36 And [l] Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, [m] and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages:
37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad,
38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, [n] and Joktheel,
39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,
40 And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish,
41 And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages:
42 Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,
43 And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,
44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages:
45 Ekron, with her towns and her villages:
46 From Ekron even unto the sea, all that *lay* † near Ashdod, with their villages:
47 Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto [p] the river of Egypt, and [q] the great sea, and the border *thereof:*
48 ¶ And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh,
49 And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah, which *is* Debir,
50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim,
51 And [r] Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages:
52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean,
53 And Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah,
54 And Humtah, and [s] Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages:
55 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah,
56 And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,
57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:
58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,
59 And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages:
60 Kirjath-baal, [t] which *is* Kirjath-jearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages:
61 In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,
62 And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and En-gedi; six cities with their villages.
63 ¶ As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, [u] the children of Judah could not drive them out: [v] but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

CHAP. XVI.

AND the lot of the children of Joseph § fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el,

2 And goeth out from Beth-el to [d] Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,
3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, [f] unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to [h] Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.
4 So [i] the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.
5 ¶ And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was *thus:* even the border of their inheritance on the east side was [m] Ataroth-addar, [n] unto Beth-horon the upper;
6 And the border went out toward the sea to [p] Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;
7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, [q] and to Naarah, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.
8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the [r] river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.
9 And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim *were* among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages.
10 And [t] they drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

CHAP. XVII.

THERE was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he *was* the [x] firstborn of Joseph; *to wit,* for [y] Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had [b] Gilead and Bashan.
2 There was also *a lot* for [c] the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families; for the children of [d] Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, [f] and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of Shemida: these *were* the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by their families.
3 ¶ But [k] Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these *are* the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.
4 And they came near before [l] Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, [k] The LORD commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.
5 And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan which *were* on the other side Jordan;
6 Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons: and the rest of Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.
7 ¶ And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to [o] Michmethah, that *lieth* before [p] Shechem; and the border went along on the right hand unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.

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[a] Ne. 11. 26.
[b] 1 Ch. 4. 28.
[c] Ge. 21. 14. 31. 33. 26. 33. 33
[d] ch. 18. 13. Ju. 1. 26.
[e] De. 1. 44.
[f] ch. 18. 13. 2 Ch. 8. 5.
[g] 1 Sa. 27. 6. 30. 1. 1 Ch. 12. 1.
[h] 1 Ch. 7. 28. 1 Ki. 9. 15.
[i] ch. 17. 14.
[k] Ne. 11. 29.
[l] Nu. 13. 23. Ju. 13. 25. 16. 31.
[m] ch. 18. 13.
[n] 2 Ch. 8. 5.
[o] 1 Sa. 22. 1. Mi. 1. 15.
[p] ch. 17. 7.
[q] 1 Sa. 17. 52.
* or, *or.*
[r] 1 Ch. 7. 28.
[s] 2 Ki. 14. 7.
[t] ch. 17. 9.
[u] Ju. 1. 29. 1 Ki. 9. 16.
† *by the place of.*
[x] Ge. 41. 51. 46. 20. 48. 18.
[y] ver. 4.
[z] Nu. 31. 6.
[a] Ge. 50. 23. Nu. 26. 29. 32. 39, 40 1 Ch. 7. 14.
[b] De. 3. 15.
[c] Nu. 26. 29. 32.
[d] Nu. 26. 30, *Jeezer.* 1 Ch. 7. 18.
[e] ch. 10. 41. 11. 16.
[f] Nu. 26 31, 32
‡ or, *Janus.*
[g] ver. 13. ch. 14. 15.
[h] Nu. 36. 2.
[i] ch. 14. 1.
[k] Nu. 27. 6, 7. Ga. 3. 28.
[l] ch. 18. 14.
[m] Ju. 1. 8. 2 Sa. 5. 6.
[n] Ju. 1. 21.
[o] ch. 16. 6.
[p] Ge. 37. 12, 14 Ju. 9. 1. 1 Ki. 12. 1, 25. 1 Ch. 6. 67.
§ *went forth.*

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8 *Now* Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but [b] Tappuah on the border of Manasseh *belonged* to the children of Ephraim;

9 And the coast descended unto the [c] river Kanah, southward of the river: [c] these cities of Ephraim *are* among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also *was* on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:

10 Southward *it was* Ephraim's, and northward *it was* Manasseh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Asher on the north, and in Issachar on the east.

11 And [d] Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher [b] Beth-shean and her towns, and Ibleam and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of En-dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns, *even* three countries.

12 Yet [m] the children of Manasseh could not drive out *the inhabitants of* those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to [r] tribute; but did not utterly drive them out.

14 And [s] the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me *but* [t] one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I *am* [u] a great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto?

15 And Joshua answered them, If thou *be* a great people, *then* get thee up to the wood *country*, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the [†] giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.

16 And the children of Joseph said, The hill is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have [v] chariots of iron, *both they* who *are* of Beth-shean and her towns, and *they* who *are* [b] of the valley of Jezreel.

17 And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, *even* to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou *art* a great people, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot *only*:

18 But the mountain shall be thine; for it is a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings of it shall be thine: for [d] thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, *and* though they *be* strong.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together [f] at Shiloh, and [h] set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.

2 And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance.

3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, [i] How long *are* ye slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

4 Give out from among you three men for [m] *each* tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they shall come *again* to me.

5 And they shall divide it into seven

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[a] ch. 15. 1.
[b] ch. 16. 8.
[c] ch. 16. 1. 4.
[c] or, *brook of reeds.*
[d] Nu. 26. 54, 55. Ps. 105. 11. Pr. 16. 33. 18. 18. Ac. 13. 19.
[e] ch. 16. 9.
[f] ch. 13. 33.
[g] Ps. 16. 5.
[h] Nu. 18. 20. De. 10. 9. 18. 1, 2.
[i] 1 Ch. 7. 29.
[k] 1 Sa. 31. 10. 1 Ki. 4. 12.
[l] Ge. 13. 17.
[m] ch. 7. 16, &c. 1 Sa. 14. 41. Ac. 1. 24, 25. Re. 14. 19.
[n] Ju. 1. 27, 28.
[o] Eze. 47. 22. 48. 29. Mat. 27. 35.
[p] Ps. 47. 4. 61. 5. Jno. 17. 2. Ac. 26. 18. Col. 1. 12.
[r] ch. 16. 10.
[s] ch. 16. 4.
[t] Ge. 48. 22.
[u] Nu. 26. 34, 37
[v] ch. 16. 1.
[x] Ho. 4. 15. 10. 5.
[†] or, *Rephaims.* Ge. 14. 5. 15. 20.
[y] Ge. 28. 19. Ju. 1. 23.
[z] ch. 16. 3.
[a] Ju. 1. 19. 4. 3.
[b] 1 Ki. 4. 12.
[c] 1 Sa. 7. 1, 2.
[d] Ps. 27. 1, 2. Is. 41. 10, 16. 51. 12, 13. Ro. 8. 31, 37.
[e] 2 Ki. 23. 10.
[f] 2 Ch. 28. 3. 33. 6. Is. 30. 33. Je. 7. 31, 32. 19. 2, 6, 11.
[f] Je. 7. 12.
[g] Ju. 1. 8, 21. 19. 10.
[h] Ju. 18. 31. 1 Sa. 1. 3, 24. 4. 3, 4. Ps. 78. 60. Je. 26. 6.
[i] 2 Sa. 7. 17. 1 Ki. 1. 9.
[k] ch. 15. 6.
[l] Ju. 18. 9. Pr. 13. 4. Ec. 9. 10. Is. 64. 5. Zep. 3. 16. Mat. 20. 6. Jno. 6. 27. Phi. 3. 13, 14. 2 Pe. 1. 10, 11
‡ or, *the plain.*
[m] Nu. 1. 4. 13. 2.
§ *tongue.*
Is. 11. 15.
[n] Ge. 14. 3. 19. 25.

parts: [a] Judah shall abide in their coast on the south, and [e] the house of Joseph shall abide in their coasts on the north.

6 Ye shall therefore describe the land *into* seven parts, and bring *the description* hither to me, [d] that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.

7 But [f] the Levites have no part among you; for [g] the priesthood of the LORD *is* their inheritance: [h] and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.

8 ¶ And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, [i] Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here [m] cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.

9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book, and came *again* to Joshua to the host at Shiloh.

10 ¶ And Joshua [o] cast lots for them in Shiloh [p] before the LORD: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.

12 And [r] their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of [s] Beth-aven.

13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, [t] which *is* Beth-el, southward; and the border descended to Ataroth-adar, near the hill that *lieth* on the south side [u] of the nether Beth-horon.

14 And the border was drawn *thence*, and compassed the corner of the sea southward, from the hill that *lieth* before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at [x] Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, a city of the children of Judah: this *was* the west quarter.

15 And the south quarter *was* from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:

16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lieth* before [y] the valley of the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of [z] Jebusi on the south, and descended to [a] En-rogel,

17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward Geliloth, which *is* over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to [b] the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,

18 And passed along toward the side over against ‡ Arabah northward, and went down unto Arabah:

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north [§] bay of the [m] salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this *was* the south coast.

20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This *was* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the coasts

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thereof round about, according to their families.

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were [a] Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,

22 And Beth-arabah, and [d] Zemaraim, and Beth-el,

23 And Avim, and Parah, and [e] Ophrah,

24 And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni, and [h] Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:

25 Gibeon, [i] and [k] Ramah, and Beeroth,

26 And [l] Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,

27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,

28 And Zelah, Eleph, and [m] Jebusi, which *is* Jerusalem, [o] Gibeath, *and* Kirjath; fourteen cities with their villages. This *is* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.

CHAP. XIX.

AND the second lot came forth to Simeon, "*even* for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah.

2 And [p] they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,

3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,

4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and [r] Hormah,

5 And [s] Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and [t] Hazar-susah,

6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and their villages:

7 Ain, [u] Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities and their villages:

8 And all the villages that *were* round about these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramath of the south. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families.

9 Out of the portion of the children of Judah *was* the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was too [x] much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.

10 ¶ And the third lot came up for the children of [z] Zebulun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:

11 And [a] their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that *is* before [b] Jokneam;

12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of [c] Chisloth-tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth up to Japhia,

13 And from thence passeth on along on the east to [d] Gittah-hepher, to Ittah-kazin, and goeth out to Remmon-[†] methoar to Neah;

14 And the border compasseth it on the north side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiphthah-el:

15 And Kattath, and [e] Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities with their villages.

16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages.

17 ¶ *And* the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of Issachar according to their families.

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[a] 1 Ki. 21. 1. 2 Ki. 8. 29. 9. 15, 30.
[b] 1 Sa. 28. 4. 1 Ki. 1. 3. 2. 17, 21.
[c] Lu. 10. 30. 19. 1.
[d] Ge. 10. 18.
[e] 2 Ch. 13. 4.
[h] Ju. 4. 6.
[i] Jer. 26. 18.
[k] 1 Sa. 13. 17.
[l] 1 Sa. 6. 9, &c.
[m] Ezr. 2. 26. Ne. 7. 30
[o] 1 Ki. 3. 4, 5. Is. 28. 21.
[p] Jo. 31. 15. Mat. 27. 57. *Arimathea.*
[r] Ge. 31. 49.
[s] De. 33. 24, 25. Lu. 2. 36, 37.
[t] ch. 15. 8.
[u] Ju. 19. 12, &c. 1 Sa. 10. 26. 13. 15, 16. Is. 10. 29. Ho. 9. 9.
[x] 2 Sa. 2. 16.
[z] 1 Ch. 6. 71.
[a] 1 Sa. 15. 12. Ca. 7. 5. Is. 33. 9.
[b] 1 Sa. 5. 2.
[c] Ge. 49. 5...7.
[d] 1 Ki. 9. 13.
[e] 1 Ch. 4. 28.
[†] ch. 11. 8. Ju. 1. 31. Is. 23. 2, 4, 12.
[*] *Tsor.*
[a] 2 Sa. 5. 11.
[b] Nu. 21. 3. Ju. 1. 17.
[c] Ge. 38. 5. Ju. 1. 31. Mi. 1. 14.
[d] 1 Sa. 27. 6. 30. 1.
[e] 1 Ch. 4. 31.
[f] Nu. 33. 19, 20
[g] De. 33. 23.
[h] Ex. 16. 18. 2 Co. 8. 14, 15
[i] De. 33. 18, 19
[k] Ge. 10. 18. 1 Ki. 8. 65.
[l] Mat. 14. 34. *Gennesaret*
[m] Ge. 49. 13.
[n] 1 Ki. 4. 12.
[o] Jo. 4. 6, 12. Ps. 80. 12.
[p] 2 Ki. 14. 12.
[†] or, *which is drawn.*
[q] Ju. 13. 25. 16. 31. 2 Ch. 11. 10
[r] Ju. 1. 33.
[s] 1 Sa. 14. 31.
[t] Ju. 1. 30.
[‡] or, *over against.*
[§] or, *Joppa,* Ac. 9. 36.
[f] Ju. xviii.

18 And their border was toward [g] Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and [h] Shunem,

19 And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Anaharath,

20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,

21 And Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez;

22 And the coast reacheth to [i] Tabor, and Shahazimah, and [k] Beth-shemesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.

23 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities and their villages.

24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of [m] Asher according to their families.

25 And their border was [p] Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,

26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and [r] Misheal; and reacheth to [s] Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath;

27 And turneth toward the sunrising to [t] Beth-dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthah-el toward the north side of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to [u] Cabul on the left hand,

28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, [x] *even* unto great Zidon;

29 And *then* the coast turneth to Ramah, and to the strong city [z] Tyre; and the coast turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to [a] Aczib:

30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.

31 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families, these cities with their villages.

32 ¶ The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, *even* for the children of Naphtali according to their families.

33 And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:

34 And *then* [b] the coast turneth westward to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the sunrising.

35 And the fenced cities *are* Ziddim, Zer, and [d] Hammath, Rakkath, and [e] Chinnereth,

36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,

37 And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,

38 And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities with their villages.

39 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, the cities and their villages.

40 ¶ *And* the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.

41 And the coast of their inheritance was [f] Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh,

42 And [g] Shaalabbin, and [h] Ajalon, and Jethlah,

43 And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,

44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,

45 And Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,

46 And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border; before [§] Japho.

47 And [f] the coast of the children of

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Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, [a] Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

43 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49 ¶ When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun among them:

50 According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which he asked, *even* [b] Timnath-serah [c] in mount Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.

51 These [d] *are* the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot [e] in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they made an end of dividing the country.

CHAP. XX.

THE LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,

2 Speak to the children of Israel, saying, [f] Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:

3 That the slayer that killeth *any* person unawares *and* unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of [g] the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.

5 And [h] if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, [i] *and* until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled.

7 ¶ And they [k] appointed [l] Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and [m] Shechem in mount Ephraim, and [n] Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, in [o] the mountain of Judah.

8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned [p] Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and [q] Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and [r] Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.

9 These [s] were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth *any* person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

CHAP. XXI.

THEN came near the heads of the fathers of the Levites unto [t] Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel:

2 And they spake unto them at [u] Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, [v] The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle.

3 And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, at the commandment of the LORD, these cities and their suburbs.

4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and [w] the children of Aaron the priest, *which were* of the Levites, [x] had by lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.

5 And [y] the rest of the children of Kohath *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.

6 And [z] the children of Gershon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

7 The [a] children of Merari by their families *had* out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

8 And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, [b] as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9 ¶ And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* [c] mentioned by name,

10 Which [d] the children of Aaron, *being* of the families of the Kohathites, *who were* of the children of Levi, had: for their's was the first lot.

11 And [e] they gave them [f] the city of Arba the father of [g] Anak, which *city is* Hebron, [h] in the hill *country* of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.

12 But [i] the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession.

13 ¶ Thus [k] they gave to the children of Aaron the priest [l] Hebron with her suburbs, [m] *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer: [n] and Libnah with her suburbs,

14 And [o] Jattir with her suburbs, [p] and Eshtemoa with her suburbs,

15 And [q] Holon with her suburbs, [r] and Debir with her suburbs,

16 And [s] Ain with her suburbs, [t] and Juttah with her suburbs, *and* [u] Beth-shemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.

17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, [v] Gibeon with her suburbs, [w] Geba with her suburbs,

18 Anathoth [x] with her suburbs, and [y] Almon with her suburbs; four cities.

19 All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, *were* thirteen cities with their suburbs.

20 ¶ And [z] the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which remained of the children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21 For they gave them [a] Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, *to be* a

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[a] ch. 18. 1.
[b] Nu. 35. 2.
[c] Ju. 18. 29.
[d] 1 Ch. 6. 57, &c.
[e] ch. 24. 33.
[f] ch. 24. 30.
[g] 1 Ch. 7. 24.
[h] ver. 20. &c. Nu. 3.17, &c
[i] ch. 14. 1. Nu. 34. 17.
[k] ch. 18. 1,10. Ps. 78. 60. Je. 7.12..14.
[l] ver. 27, &c.
[m] ver. 34, &c.
[n] Ex. 21. 13. Nu. 35. 6,11, 14. De. 4.41..43. 19. 2. 9. Ro. 8.1.33.34 He. 6.18,19.
[o] Pr. 16. 33. 18. 18.
[p] Nu. 35. 2.
[q] *called.*
[r] Ru. 4. 1, 2. Job 5. 4. 29. 7. Pr. 31. 23. Je. 39. 7.
[s] ver. 4.
[t] 1 Ch. 6. 55.
[u] or, *Kirjath-arba.* Ge. 23. 2.
[v] Nu. 35. 12.
[w] ch. 15. 13, 14.
[x] ch. 20. 7. Lu. 1. 39.
[y] ch. 14. 14. 1 Ch. 6. 56.
[z] Nu. 35. 25. He. 9. 28.
[a] 1 Ch. 6. 57, &c.
[b] ch. 20. 7.
[c] Nu. 35. 6.
[d] Ja. 37. 8.
[e] 1 Sa. 30. 27.
[f] ch. 15. 50.
[g] *sanctified.*
[h] ch. 21. 32. 1 Ch. 6. 76.
[i] ch. 21. 21. 2 Ch. 10. 1.
[k] 1 Ch. 6. 58, *Hilen.*
[l] ch. 15. 49.
[m] ch. 14. 15. 21.11,13.
[n] Lu. 1. 39.
[o] ch. 15. 42, *Ashan.*
[p] 1 Sa. 6.9,12
[q] ch. 21. 36. De. 4. 43. 1 Ch. 6. 78.
[r] ch. 21. 38. 1 Ki. 22. 3.
[s] Je. 32. 31.
[t] ch. 18. 24, *Gaba.*
[u] ch. 21. 27.
[v] Is. 10. 30. Je. 1. 1.
[w] Nu. 35. 15.
[x] 1 Ch. 6. 60, *Alemeth.*
[y] ver. 5.
[z] ch. 20. 7. Ge. 37.12,13 Ac. 7. 16, *Sychem.*
[a] ch. 14. 1. 17. 4.

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city of refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs,

22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs: four cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her suburbs,

24 Ajalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; four cities.

25 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; two cities.

26 All the cities *were* ten with their suburbs for the families of the children of Kohath that remained.

27 ¶ And [c] unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Levites, out of the *other* half tribe of Manasseh *they gave* [d] Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Beeshterah with her suburbs; two cities.

28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,

29 Jarmuth with her suburbs, En-gannim with her suburbs; four cities.

30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,

31 Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs; four cities.

32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, [f] Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs; three cities.

33 All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families *were* thirteen cities with their suburbs.

34 ¶ And [l] unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,

35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities.

36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, [m] Bezer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,

37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, [n] Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and [o] Mahanaim with her suburbs,

39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in all.

40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Levites, were *by* their lot twelve cities.

41 All [p] the cities of the Levites within the possession of the children of Israel *were* forty and eight cities with their suburbs.

42 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus *were* all these cities.

43 ¶ And the LORD gave unto Israel [q] all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

44 And [r] the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers: and [s] there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.

45 There [t] failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

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[c] Nu. 32. 20. De. 3. 18.
[b] ch. 1. 16, 17.
[c] 1 Ch. 6. 71.
[d] ch. 13. 6. Nu. 32. 33. De. 29. 8.
[e] ch. 20. 8.
[f] De. 6. 6, 17. Ps. 119. 4..6. Pr. 4. 23. Is. 55. 2. Je. 12. 16. He. 6. 11, 12. 12. 15. 2Pe. 1. 5..11.
[g] De. 10. 12. Mat. 22. 37. Joh. 14. 15. 21..23. 21. 15..17. Ja. 1. 12. 2. 5. 1 Joh. 5. 2, 3.
[h] ch. 14. 13. Ge. 47. 7. Ex. 39. 43. 2 Sa. 6. 18. Lu. 2. 34. 24. 50. He. 7. 6, 7.
[i] ch. 20. 7.
[k] ch. 17. 5.
[l] 1 Ch. 6. 77.
[m] Nu. 31. 27. 1 Sa. 30. 14.
[n] ch. 20. 8.
[o] Nu. 32. 1, 26. 29.
[p] 1 Ki. 22. 3.
[q] Ge. 32. 2. 2 Sa. 17. 24. 19. 32.
[r] De. 13. 12. &c. Ju. 20. 12.
[s] Nu. 35. 7.
[t] Ju. 20. 1. Ac. 11. 2, 3. Ro. 10. 2. Ga. 4. 17, 18.
[u] Ge. 13. 15. 28. 4, 13. Ps. 44. 1..3. 105. 42.. 45.
[v] De. 13. 14. Pr. 20. 18. Mat. 18. 15.
[w] ch. 11. 23. 22. 4. 23. 1. 23a. 7. 23. 4. Is. 28. 12. Mat. 11. 29. He. 4. 9.
[x] ch. 1. 5. 10. 8. De. 7. 24. Ro. 8. 37. 1 Co. 15. 57.
[y] Ex. 6. 25. Nu. 25. 7.
[z] *house of the father.*
[a] ch. 23. 14. 1 Ki. 8. 56. 1 Co. 1. 9. 1 Th. 5. 24. Tit. 1. 2. He. 6. 18.
[b] Nu. 1. 4.

CHAP. XXII.

THEN Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

2 And said unto them, Ye have kept [a] all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, [b] and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:

3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.

4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as he promised them: therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, *and* unto the land of your possession, [c] which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.

5 But [d] take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, [e] to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.

6 So Joshua [f] blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.

7 ¶ Now to the *one* half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given *possession* in Bashan: [g] but unto the *other* half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan westward. And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them,

8 And he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: [h] divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.

9 ¶ And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan, to go unto [i] the country of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

10 ¶ And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that *are* in the land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to.

11 ¶ And the children of Israel [k] heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.

12 And when the children of Israel heard *of it*, [l] the whole congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up to war against them.

13 And the children of Israel [m] sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, [n] Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,

14 And with him ten princes, of each [o] chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel; and [p] each one *was* an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel.

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15 ¶ And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

16 Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD, What trespass *is* this that ye have committed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in that ye have builded you an altar, [b] that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?

17 *Is* the iniquity [c] of Peor too little for us, [d] from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD,

18 But that ye must turn away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* ye rebel to day against the LORD, that to morrow [f] he will be wroth with the whole congregation of Israel.

19 Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession *be* unclean, *then* pass ye over unto the land of the possession of the LORD, [g] wherein the LORD's tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.

20 Did [i] not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity.

21 ¶ Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh [k] answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands of Israel,

22 The LORD [l] God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he [m] knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if *it be* in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day,)

23 That we have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself [n] require *it*;

24 And if we have not *rather* done it for fear of *this* thing, saying, ‖ In time to come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye to do with the LORD God of Israel?

25 For the LORD hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben and children of Gad; ye have no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the LORD.

26 Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice:

27 But *that* it *may be* [o] a witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that we might [p] do the service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no part in the LORD.

28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *again*, [q] Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it *is* a witness between us and you.

29 God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this day from following the LORD, [s] to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of the LORD our God that *is* before his tabernacle.

30 ¶ And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which *were* with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, [t] it pleased them.

31 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceive that the LORD *is* [v] among us, because ye have not committed this trespass against the LORD: † now ye have delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.

32 ¶ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again.

33 And the thing pleased the children of Israel; and the children of Israel [x] blessed God, and did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.

34 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar ‡ *Ed*: for it *shall be* a witness between us that the LORD *is* God.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND it came to pass a long time after that the LORD [a] had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Joshua [z] waxed old *and* § stricken in age.

2 And Joshua [b] called for all Israel, *and* for their elders, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers, and said unto them, I am old *and* stricken in age:

3 And ye have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto all these nations because of you; for the [c] LORD your God *is* he that hath fought for you.

4 Behold, [d] I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea [e] westward.

5 And the LORD your God, [f] he shall expel them from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, [a] as the LORD your God hath promised unto you.

6 Be [g] ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, [h] that ye turn not aside therefrom *to* the right hand or *to* the left;

7 That [i] ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither [k] make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear *by them*, neither serve them, nor bow yourselves unto them:

8 † But [l] cleave unto the LORD your God, as ye have done unto this day.

9 ‡ For [m] the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but *as for* you, no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.

10 One [n] man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he *it is*

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[a] De. 12. 13, 14
[b] Le. 17. 8, 9. De. 12. 13, 14. 1 Sa. 15. 23. Ps. 78. 8. Is. 65. 10.
[c] *it was a road in their eyes.*
[d] Nu. 25. 3, 4. De. 4. 3.
[e] Ezr. 9. 13, 14. 1 Co. 10. 8, 11.
[f] 2 Ch. 15. 2. Is. 12. 6. Zec. 8. 23. Mat. 1. 23. 1 Co. 14. 25.
† *then.*
[g] Nu. 16. 22.
[h] ch. 18. 1.
[i] 1 Ch. 22. 20. Ne. 8. 6. Da. 2. 19. Lu. 2. 28.
[k] ch. 7. 1, 5.
‡ i. e. a witness: so ch. 24. 27.
[l] Pr. 15. 1. 16. 1. 18. 13. 24. 26. Ac. 11. 4. Ja. 1. 19. 1 Pe. 3. 15.
[m] De. 10. 17.
[n] ch. 21. 44.
[o] 1 Ki. 8. 39. Job 10. 7. 23. 10. Ps. 44. 21. 139. 1, 2. Je. 12. 3. 2 Co. 11. 11, 31.
[p] ch. 13. 1.
§ *come into days.*
[q] De. 31. 28. 1 Ch. 28. 1.
[r] De. 18. 19. 1 Sa. 20. 16. Ps. 10. 13, 14.
‖ *To morrow.*
[s] Ex. 14. 14.
[t] ch. 13. 2. 6.
[u] *at the sunset.*
[v] Ex. 23. 30. 34. 11.
[w] Nu. 33. 53.
[x] ch. 1. 7.
[y] ver. 34. ch. 24. 27. Ge. 31. 48.
[z] De. 5. 33. 28. 14.
[a] De. 12. 5, &c.
[b] Ex. 23. 33. Pr. 4. 14. Ep. 5. 11.
[c] Nu. 33. 38. Ps. 16. 4. Je. 5. 7. Zep. 1. 5.
† or, *For if ye will cleave, &c.*
[d] Ac. 11. 23.
‡ or, *Then the LORD will drive.*
[e] De. 11. 23.
[f] Ju. 3. 31. 15. 15. 2 Sa. 23. 8.

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that fighteth for you, [e] as he hath promised you.

11 Take [f] good heed therefore unto [g] yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God.

12 Else if ye do in any wise [d] go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, *even* these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you:

13 Know for a certainty that [f] the LORD your God will no more drive out *any of* these nations from before you; [i] but they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

14 And, behold, this day [k] I *am* going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that [m] not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the LORD your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, *and* not one thing hath failed thereof.

15 Therefore [p] it shall come to pass, *that* as all good things are come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD bring upon you [i] all evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to [a] Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they [b] presented themselves before God.

2 And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, [c] Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, *even* Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and [d] they served other gods.

3 And [e] I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and [f] gave him Isaac.

4 And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto [g] Esau mount Seir, to possess it; but [h] Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.

5 I [i] sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.

6 And [k] I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and [l] ye came unto the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red sea.

7 And when they cried unto the LORD, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and [m] your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness [n] a long season.

8 And I brought you into the land of

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[a] Ex. 14. 14.
[b] Nu.21.21,33
[c] Ep. 5. 15. He. 12. 15.
[d] *your souls.*
[e] He.10 38,39 2 Pe.2.20,21
[f] Ju. 11. 25.
[g] Nu. 22. 5.
[h] Ju. 2. 3.
[i] Nu.33.11,20
[k] Nu. 33. 55. 1 Ki. 11. 4.
[l] 1 Ki. 2. 2. He. 9. 27.
[m] De. 7. 20.
[n] 1 Ki. 8. 56. Lu. 21. 33. 1 Co. 1. 9. 1 Th. 5. 24. Tit. 1. 2. He. 6. 10.
[o] Ps. 44. 3, 6.
[p] De. 6.10,11.
[q] De. 28. 63.
[r] De. 10. 12. 1 Sa. 12. 24.
[s] Ge. 17. 1. 20. 5. De. 18. 13. Ps. 119. 1. 2 Co. 1. 12. Ep. 6. 24.
[t] Le. 26. 16. De. 28. 15. 16, &c.
[u] Exe. 20. 18.
[v] Eze. 23. 3.
[x] Ru. 1. 15. 1 Ki. 18. 21. Eze. 20. 39. Jno. 6. 67.
[y] Ex. 34. 15. De. 13. 7. 29 18. Ju. 6. 10.
[z] Ge. 18. 19.
[a] Ge. 35. 4.
[b] 1 Sa. 10. 19
[c] Ge.11.26,31
[d] Ge. 31. 53.
[e] Ge. 12. 1. Ac. 7. 2, 3.
[f] Mat. 6. 24.
[g] 1 Sa. 6. 20. Ps. 99. 5, 9. Is. 5. 16.
[h] Ex. 20. 5.
[i] Ex. 23. 21.
[k] Ge. 21. 2, 3. Ps. 127. 3.
[l] 1 Ch. 28. 9. 2 Ch. 15. 2. Ezr. 8. 22. Is. 1. 28. 65. 11, 12. Je. 17. 13.
[m] Ge. 36. 8. De. 2. 5.
[n] Is. 63. 10. Ac. 7. 42.
[o] Ge. 46. 1, 6.
[p] Ex. 3. 10.
[q] Ps. 119.173.
[r] Ex.12,37,51
[s] Ex.14.2,&c.
[t] Ge. 35. 2. Ju. 10. 16. 1 Sa. 7. 3.
[u] De. 4. 34. 29. 2.
[x] Ex. 15. 25. 2 Ki. 11. 17.
[y] ch. 5. 6.
[z] De. 31. 24.

the Amorites, which dwelt on the other side Jordan; [b] and they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ye might possess their land; and I destroyed them from before you.

9 Then [c] Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and [f] sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you:

10 But I would not hearken unto Balaam; [h] therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered you out of his hand.

11 And ye went over Jordan, and came unto Jericho: and the men of Jericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I delivered them into your hand.

12 And [l] I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from before you, *even* the two kings of the Amorites; *but* [m] not with thy sword, nor with thy bow.

13 And I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and [o] cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.

14 ¶ Now [r] therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in [s] sincerity and in truth: and [u] put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and [x] in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.

15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, [z] choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or [y] the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: [a] but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods;

17 For the LORD our God, he [b] *is* that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all the people through whom we passed:

18 And the LORD drave out from before us all the people, even the Amorites which dwelt in the land: *therefore* will we also serve the LORD; for he *is* our God.

19 And Joshua said unto the people, [f] Ye cannot serve the LORD: for he *is* an [g] holy God; he *is* [h] a jealous God; [i] he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins.

20 If [l] ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, [m] then he will turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that he hath done you good.

21 And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will serve the LORD.

22 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye *are* witnesses against yourselves that [r] ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him. And they said, *We are* witnesses.

23 Now therefore [s] put away, *said he*, the strange gods which *are* among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God of Israel.

24 And the people said unto Joshua, The LORD our God will we serve, and his voice will we obey.

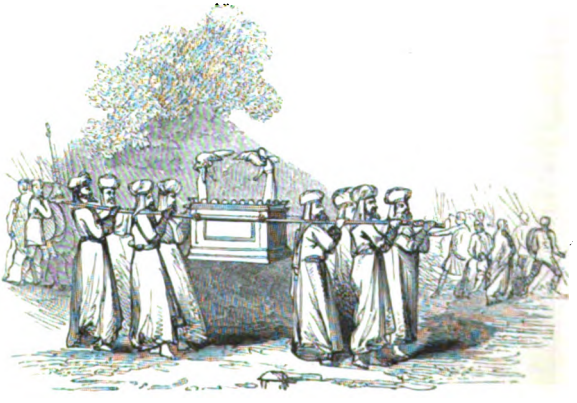
25 So Joshua [t] made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.

26 ¶ And Joshua [u] wrote these words in

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JERICHO.—*La Lorde.*—Josh. ii.



MANNER OF CARRYING THE ARK.—*Calm. t.*—Josh. iii.

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the book of the law of God, and took [a] a great stone, and [b] set it up there under [c] an oak, that *was* by the sanctuary of the LORD.

27 And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be [d] a witness unto us; for [e] it hath heard all the words of the LORD which he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.

28 So Joshua let the people depart, every man unto his inheritance.

29 ¶ And [f] it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.

30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which

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[a] Ju. 9. 6.
[b] Ge. 28. 18.
[c] Ge. 35. 4.
[d] Ju. 2. 7.
[e] *prolonged* their *days after Joshua.*
[f] Ge 31. 48, 52. De. 11. 2. 31. 13.
[g] De. 32. 1.
[h] Ge. 50. 25. Ex. 13. 19.
[i] Ju. 2. 8.
† or, *lambs.*
[k] Ex. 6. 25. Ju. 20. 28.

is in mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill of Gaash.

31 And [d] Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that [e] overlived Joshua, and which had [f] known all the works of the LORD, that he had done for Israel.

32 ¶ And [h] the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred †pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children of Joseph.

33 And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill *that pertained to* [k] Phinehas his son, which was given him in mount Ephraim.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II.—JERICHO, the first city which Joshua took in Canaan. This was afterwards considered as the second city in Judea, and had a royal palace in the days of the Herods, in which Herod the Great died. Its distance from Jerusalem was nineteen miles. The whole country between the two places is rock and desert, and the aspect gloomy and forbidding. It is thus described by Buckingham: 'The whole of this road is held to be the most dangerous in Palestine; and, indeed, the very aspect of the scenery is sufficient, on the one hand, to tempt to robbery and murder, and, on the other, to occasion a dread of it in those that pass that way. The bold projecting mass of rocks, the dark shadows in which every thing lies buried below, the towering height of the cliffs above, and the forbidding desolation which everywhere reigns around, present a picture that is quite in harmony throughout all its parts. With what propriety did our Saviour choose this spot as the scene of that delightful tale of compassion recorded by St. Luke! One must be amid these wild and gloomy solitudes, surrounded by an armed band, and feel the impatience of the traveller who rushes on to catch a new view at every pass and turn,—one must be alarmed at the very stamp of the horses' hoofs resounding through the caverned rocks, and at the savage shouts of the footmen, scarcely less loud than the echoing thunder produced by the discharge of their pieces in the valleys,—one must witness all this upon the spot, before that the full force and beauty of the admirable story of the good Samaritan can be perceived. Here pillage, wounds, and death, would be accompanied with double terror, from the frightful aspect of every thing around.' Jericho has been built three times, and each time on different sites; the ruins of both the former are shewn. At present it is a poor and unsightly village of Arabs.

CH. III.—MANNER OF CARRYING THE ARK. The ark of Noah was a floating house, and perhaps constructed after the simple form of houses in the earth at that period of the world; but the ark of Moses was altogether different, and to distinguish it in Scripture reading it is called "the ark of the covenant," "the ark of God," "the ark of the testimony." It was called "the ark of God" (1 Sam. iv. 3) because it was the seat of his powerful and glorious presence, Ps. cxxxii. 8; and it was called "the ark of the covenant" or "testament," Josh. iii. 6, &c., for it was the repository of the two tables of stone, on which were engraven by the finger of God himself, the ten commandments which he gave to Moses on Mount Sinai. The same word expresses it in the original which expresses chest or coffer, for it was a chest of fine proportion, made of Shittim or Acacia wood, two cubits and a half long, one and a half broad, and one and a half high. It was covered on all sides with the purest gold. On its upper surface it was ornamented with a border or rim of gold; and on each of the two sides, at equal distances from the top, were two gold rings, which were placed on the gold covered poles by which the ark was carried, and which, as they were perpetually to remain in their place, continued with it after it was deposited in the tabernacle. The lid or cover of the ark was of the same length and breadth as the ark itself, and made of the purest gold. This lid was called "the mercy-seat," or propitiatory, over which God manifested his glory to the interceding priest for blessings to Israel, Exod. xxv. 17—33; representing Christ, the true propitiatory or mercy-seat for all the people, through whom alone we can have access to God, and by whom alone he can bless sinners: he is therefore called the propitiation, Rom. iii. 25, Heb. ix. 5, 14; 1 John ii. 2: for this covering fully represented the effect of God's mercy to the transgressors of the law, or the covering, as it were, of their transgressions; and this for the sake of Christ, who by his death has so covered the transgressions of his people, that they shall not be punished for them. The upper face of the mercy-seat was adorned with two figures of cherubim, either in chased work, as some think, or in statuary, as it is more commonly understood, and as seems most agreeable to the description of them in the book of Exodus. The form, the size, and the posture of the cherubim are all a matter of speculation, though the latter may be more accurately imagined, from its being said that their faces were "towards one another, and towards the mercy-seat;" which probably means that they stood in an erect posture on the mercy-seat, with their faces towards each other, and both of them with their heads somewhat inclined, as looking down upon, contemplating and admiring the mysteries typified by the ark and mercy-seat on which they stood. The ark was peculiarly sacred; it was placed in "the holy of holies," which was the innermost and most sacred part of the tabernacle, and it was preserved with the same care in the temple. Within it were deposited the tables of the law, a quantity of manna in a golden vase, the rod of Aaron that budded, and a copy of the book of the law, Heb. ix. 3, 4. In 1 Kings viii. 9 it is said, "There was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb." Some account for this discrepancy by supposing that the apostle speaks of the ark as it was in the time of Moses, and the text in Kings as it was in Solomon's time; others alter the rendering to 'near to which' instead of "wherein," or 'in which was the golden pot,' &c., as related by the apostle. The ark was too important to allow of any of its movements being overlooked in Old Testament history. After the passage of Jordan it continued some time at Gilgal, Josh. iv. 19; it was then removed to Shiloh, 1 Sam. iv. 3: thence the Israelites took it to their camp; but when they gave battle to the Philistines, it was taken by the enemy, ch. iv. The Philistines, oppressed by the hand of God, however, returned the ark, and it was lodged at Kirjath-jearim, ch. vii. 1. It was afterwards the capital of Saul at Nob. David conveyed it from Kirjath-jearim to the house of Obed-Edom, and from thence to his palace at Sion, 2 Sam. vi.; and, lastly, Solomon brought it into his temple at Jerusalem, 2 Chron. v. 2. It remained in the temple till the times of the latter kings of Judah, who, abandoning themselves to idolatry, were so daring as to establish their idols in the holy place itself. The priests, unable to endure this profanation, removed the ark, and carried it from place to place, to preserve it from the pollution and impiety of these princes. Josiah commanded them to bring it back to the sanctuary, and forbade them to carry it, as they had hitherto done, into the country, 2 Chron. xxxv. 3. It is doubted, with good reason, whether the ark were replaced in the temple, after the return of the Jews from Babylon. The heathen had their religious chests, in which they locked up their most sacred things; and in processions they had their chest-bearer. There is a cut in Wilkinson's work on the ancient Egyptians, which shews from Egyptian antiquities the shape and manner of carrying the Egyptian sacred chest or ark, exactly resembling the Scripture account of the Jewish ark, and the mode of carrying it as given in our annexed representation.

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The Book of JUDGES.

Recording the deeds of the judges or rulers of Israel who succeeded Joshua.

CHAP. I.

NOW after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel [b] asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?

2 And the LORD said, [d] Judah shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.

3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and [h] I likewise will go with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went with him.

4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in [i] Bezek ten thousand men.

5 And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

6 But Adoni-bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

7 And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having [†] their thumbs and their great toes cut off, [‡] gathered *their meat* under my table: [m] as I have done, so God hath requited me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.

8 Now [n] the children of Judah had fought against Jerusalem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.

9 ¶ And [o] afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the [§] valley.

10 And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of Hebron before *was* [p] Kirjath-arba:) and they slew Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai.

11 And [q] from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before *was* Kirjath-sepher:

12 And [r] Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.

13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, [s] Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

14 And it came to pass, when she came *to him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted from off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wilt thou?

15 And she said unto him, [t] Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs.

16 ¶ And [u] the children of the Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out [f] of the city of palm trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which *lieth* in the south of [h] Arad; and [i] they went and dwelt among the people.

17 And [k] Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly destroyed it. And the name of the city was called [l] Hormah.

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[a] Jos. 11. 22.
[b] ch. 20. 18. Nu. 27. 21. ver. 2. 2 Ki. 18. 7.
[c] or, *he possessed the mountain.*
[d] Ge. 49. 8. Ps. 78. 68.. 70. He. 7. 14. Re. 5. 5.
[e] Jos. 17. 16, 18.
[f] Nu. 14. 24. De. 1. 36. Jos. 14. 9, 13. 15. 13, 14.
[g] Jos. 15. 63. 18. 28.
[h] ver. 17.
[i] 1 Sa. 11. 8.
[k] ver. 19.
[l] ch. 18. 2. Jos. 2. 1. 7. 2.
[m] Ge. 28. 19.
[†] *the thumbs of their hands and of their feet.*
[n] Jos. 2. 12, 14
[‡] or, *gleaned*
[o] Le. 24. 19. 1 Sa. 15. 33. Mat. 7. 2. Ja. 2. 13.
[p] Jos. 15. 63.
[q] Jos. 10 38. 11. 21. 15. 13.
[r] Jos. 17. 11.. 13.
[§] or, *low country.*
[s] Jos. 14. 15. 15. 13, 14.
[t] Jos. 15. 15, &c.
[u] Jos. 16. 10. 1 Ki. 9. 16.
[x] 1 Sa. 17. 25. 18. 23.
[y] ch. 3. 9.
[z] Jos. 19 15.
[a] Jos. 19. 24.. 30.
[b] Ge. 33. 11.
[c] Ps. 106. 34, 36
[d] Jos. 19. 38.
[e] ch. 4. 11, 17. 1 Sa. 15. 6. 1 Ch. 2. 55. Je. 35. 2, 19.
[f] De. 34. 3.
[g] Ps. 18. 44.
[h] Nu. 21. 1.
[i] Nu. 10. 33.
[k] ver. 3.
[l] Nu. 21. 3. Jos. 19. 4.
[m] Jos. 19. 42.

18 Also Judah took [a] Gaza with the coast thereof, and Askelon with the coast thereof, and Ekron with the coast thereof.

19 And [c] the LORD was with Judah; and [c] he drave out *the inhabitants of* the mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had [d] chariots of iron.

20 And [f] they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as Moses said: and he expelled thence the three sons of Anak.

21 And [g] the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.

22 ¶ And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Beth-el: [h] and the LORD *was* with them.

23 And the house of Joseph [i] sent to descry Beth-el. (Now the name of the city before *was* [m] Luz.)

24 And the spies saw a man come forth out of the city, and they said unto him, Shew us, we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and [n] we will shew thee mercy.

25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with the edge of the sword; but they let go the man and all his family.

26 And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city, and called the name thereof Luz: which *is* the name thereof unto this day.

27 ¶ Neither [o] did Manasseh drive out *the inhabitants of* Beth-shean and her towns, nor Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns: but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

28 And it came to pass, when Israel was strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute, and did not utterly drive them out.

29 [p] Neither [o] did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer; but the Canaanites dwelt in Gezer among them.

30 ¶ Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the [q] inhabitants of Nahalol; but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries.

31 ¶ Neither [q] did Asher drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor the inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob:

32 But the Asherites [q] dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for they did not drive them out.

33 ¶ Neither [d] did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath; but he dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh and of Beth-anath [s] became tributaries unto them.

34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the mountain: for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley:

35 But the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres [m] in Aijalon, and in Shaal-

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bim: yet the hand of the house of Joseph [o] prevailed, so that they became tributaries.

36 And the coast of the Amorites *was* [a] from [†] the going up to Akrabbim, from the rock, and upward.

CHAP. II.

AND an [‡] angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the land which I sware unto your fathers; and [d] I said, I will never break my covenant with you.

2 And [e] ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; [f] ye shall throw down their altars: [g] but ye have not obeyed my voice: why have ye done this?

3 Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be [‖ *as thorns*] in your sides, and [k] their gods shall be a [l] snare unto you.

4 And it came to pass, when the angel of the LORD spake these words unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept.

5 And they called the name of that place [o] Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto the LORD.

6 ¶ And when [o] Joshua had let the people go, the children of Israel went every man unto his inheritance to possess the land.

7 And [p] the people served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that [†] outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the LORD, that he did for Israel.

8 And [r] Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.

9 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in [s] Timnath-heres, in the mount of Ephraim, on the north side of the hill Gaash.

10 And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which [u] knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel.

11 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim:

12 And they [v] forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land of Egypt and followed [w] other gods, of the gods of the people that *were* round about them, and [x] bowed themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.

13 And they forsook the LORD, [y] and served Baal and Ashtaroth.

14 ¶ And [z] the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he [d] delivered them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and [f] he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they [h] could not any longer stand before their enemies.

15 Whithersoever they went out, the hand of the LORD was against them for evil, as the LORD had said, and [i] as the LORD had sworn unto them: and they were greatly distressed.

16 ¶ Nevertheless [l] the LORD raised up judges, which [o] delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.

17 And yet they would not hearken unto their judges, but they [o] went a whoring after other gods, and bowed themselves unto them: they turned quickly out of the way which their fathers

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[o] *was heavy.*
[a] Nu. 34. 4. Jos. 15. 3.
[†] or, *Maaleh-akrabbim.*
[b] Jos. 1. 5.
[c] Ge. 6. 6. De. 32. 36. Ps. 106. 44. 45
[‡] or, *messenger.*
[d] or, *were corrupt.*
[e] Ge. 17. 7.
[f] De. 7. 2.
[‖] *they let nothing fall of their.*
[g] Jos. 12. 3.
[§] Ps. 106. 34.
[h] Jos. 23. 13. 16.
[i] Jos. 23. 13.
[k] ch. 3. 6.
[l] Ex. 23. 33. 34. 12. De. 7. 16. Ps. 106. 36.
[m] Jos. 23. 13.
[n] De. 8. 2, 16. 13. 3.
[o] 1. e. *weepers.*
[p] Jos. 22. 6. 24. 29.
[†] or, *suffered*
[p] Jos. 24. 31.
[‡] *prolonged days after Joshua.*
[r] Jos. 24. 29, 30
[s] Jos. 19. 50, *Timnath-serah.*
[t] Jos. 13. 3.
[u] Ex. 5. 2. Je. 9. 3. 22. 16. Ga. 4. 8. 2 Th. 1. 8. Tit. 1. 16.
[v] De. 31. 16.
[w] Ps. 106. 35.
[x] De. 6. 14.
[y] Ba. 10. 6.
[z] Ex. 34. 16. De. 7. 3.
[a] ch. 3. 7. 10. 6. Ps. 106. 36.
[b] Ps. 106. 40. 42.
[c] 2 Ki. 17. 20.
[d] Ex. 34. 13. De. 16. 21.
[e] Ps. 44. 12.
[f] Is. 50. 1.
[g] Le. 26. 37. Jos. 7. 12, 13.
[§] *Aram-naharaim.*
[h] Le. xxvi. De. xxviii.
[i] 1 Sa. 12. 10. Ne. 9. 27. Ps. 22. 5. 107. 13. 19.
[‖] *saviour.*
[k] ch. 3. 9, 10, 15 1 Sa. 12. 11. Ac. 13. 20.
[l] ch. 1. 13.
[m] ch. 1. 13.
[n] *stored.*
[o] Nu. 27. 18. 1 Sa. 11. 6. 2 Ch. 15. 1.
[†] *was.*
[o] Ex. 34. 15, 16 Le. 17. 7.
[‡] *Aram.*

walked in, obeying the commandments of the LORD; *but* they did not so.

18 And when the LORD raised them up judges, then [k] the LORD was with the judge, and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: [l] for it repented the LORD because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them.

19 And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, *that* they returned, and [§] corrupted *themselves* more than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; [‖] they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.

20 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel; and he said, Because that this people hath [k] transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not hearkened unto my voice;

21 I [m] also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations which Joshua left when he died:

22 That through them I may [n] prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of the LORD to walk therein, as their fathers did keep *it*, or not.

23 Therefore the LORD [†] left those nations, without driving them out hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.

CHAP. III.

NOW these *are* the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, *even* as many *of Israel* as had not known all the wars of Canaan;

2 Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof;

3 *Namely,* [†] five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of Hamath.

4 And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.

5 ¶ And [o] the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites:

6 And [o] they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons, and served their gods.

7 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgat the LORD their God, and served Baalim and [o] the groves.

8 ¶ Therefore the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and [o] he sold them into the hand of Chushan-rishathaim king of [‡] Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel served Chushan-rishathaim eight years.

9 And when the children of Israel [k] cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised up a [‖] deliverer to the children of Israel, who delivered them, *even* [m] Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother.

10 And [n] the Spirit of the LORD [†] came upon him, and he judged Israel, and went out to war: and the LORD delivered Chushan-rishathaim king of [†] Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed against Chushan-rishathaim.

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11 And the land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died.

12 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD strengthened [a] Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done evil in the sight of the LORD.

13 And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and [b] Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed [c] the city of palm trees.

14 So the children of Israel [d] served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

15 But when the children of Israel [e] cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised them up a deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, [f] a Benjamite, a man [g] lefthanded: and by him the children of Israel sent a present unto Eglon the king of Moab.

16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit length: and he did gird it under his raiment upon his right thigh.

17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon *was* a very fat man.

18 And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away the people that bare the present.

19 But he himself turned again [h] from the [i] quarries that *were* by Gilgal, and said, I have a secret errand unto thee, O king: who said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him.

20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in [j] a summer parlour, which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto thee. And he arose out of *his* seat.

21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly:

22 And the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and [k] the dirt came out.

23 Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the parlour upon him, and locked them.

24 When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that, behold, the doors of the parlour *were* locked, they said, Surely he [l] covereth his feet in his summer chamber.

25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took a key, and opened *them*: and, behold, their lord *was* fallen down dead on the earth.

26 And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the quarries, and escaped unto Seirath.

27 And it came to pass, when he was come, that [m] he blew a trumpet in the [n] mountain of Ephraim, and the children of Israel went down with him from the mount, and he before them.

28 And he said unto them, Follow after me, for [o] the LORD hath delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went down after him, and took [p] the fords of Jordan toward Moab, and suffered not a man to pass over.

29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, all [q] lusty, and all men of valour; and there escaped not a man.

30 So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest fourscore years.

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[a] 1 Sa. 13. 19, 22.
[b] 1 Sa. 17. 47, 50.
[c] ch. 2. 16.
[d] So part is called Israel. It seems to concern only the country next to the Philistines ch. 4. 1, 3, &c
[e] 1 Sa. 12. 9.
[f] ch. 2. 19.
[g] ch. 5. 14.
[h] ch. 1. 16.
[i] ch. 2. 14. It seems to concern only North Israel.
[j] De. 28. 40
[k] Jos. 11. 1, 10.
[l] 1 Sa. 12. 9. Ps 83. 9.
[m] Ps. 78. 34.
[n] *or, the son of Jemini.*
† *shut of his right hand.* ch. 20. 16.
[o] ch. 1. 19.
[p] Ge. 35. 8.
[q] He. 11. 32.
[r] Jos. 19. 47.
[s] Jos. 4. 20.
‡ *or, graven images.*
[t] Ex. 14. 4. Jos. 11. 20. Eze. 38. 10, 16. Joel 3. 11, 14.
[u] ch. 5. 21. 1 Ki. 18. 40. Ps. 83. 9, 10.
§ *a parlour of cooling.* Am. 3. 15.
[x] ch. 2. 14.
|| or, *it came out at the fundament*
[y] ch. 5. 18.
[z] Ex. 11. 8. 1 Ki. 20. 10.
[a] ch. 1. 16.
[b] Nu. 10. 29.
[c] *or, doeth his easement.* 1 Sa. 24. 3.
† *gathered by cry, or proclamation.*
[c] 1 Sa. 13. 3.
[d] Jos. 17. 15.
[e] De. 9. 3. 2 Sa. 5. 24. Ps. 68. 7. Is. 52. 12.
[f] 1 Sa. 17. 47.
[g] Jos. 10. 10. 2 Ki. 7. 6. 2 Ch. 13. 15. 17. Ps. 83. 9, 10.
[h] Jos. 2. 7.
‡ *fat.*
§ *unto one.*

31 ¶ And after him was [r] Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the Philistines six hundred men [s] with an ox goad: [t] and he also delivered [u] Israel.

CHAP. IV.

AND [f] the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead.

2 And the LORD [g] sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in [h] Hazor; the captain of whose host *was* [i] Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles.

3 And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD: for he had nine hundred [c] chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel.

4 ¶ And Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, she judged Israel at that time.

5 And [d] she dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in mount Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.

6 And she sent and called [e] Barak the son of Abinoam out [f] of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel commanded, *saying*, Go and draw toward mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of Zebulun?

7 And [g] I will draw unto thee to the [h] river Kishon Sisera, the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude; and I will deliver him into thine hand.

8 And Barak said unto her, If thou wilt go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not go with me, *then* I will not go.

9 And she said, I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour; for the LORD shall [i] sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh.

10 ¶ And Barak called [j] Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up with ten thousand men [k] at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.

11 Now Heber [l] the Kenite, *which was* of the children of [m] Hobab the father in law of Moses, had severed himself from the Kenites, and pitched his tent unto the plain of Zaanaim, which *is* by Kedesh.

12 And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to mount Tabor.

13 And Sisera [n] gathered together all his chariots, *even* nine hundred chariots of iron, and all the people that *were* with him, from Harosheth of the Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.

14 And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this *is* the day in which the LORD hath delivered Sisera into thine hand: [o] is not the LORD gone out before thee? So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him.

15 And [p] the LORD discomfited Sisera, and all *his* chariots, and all *his* host, with the edge of the sword before Barak; so that Sisera lighted down off *his* chariot, and fled away on his feet.

16 But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell upon the edge of the sword; *and* there was not [q] a man left.

17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet

[r] Jg. 5. 6.
[s] 1 Sa. 13. 19, 22.
[t] Jg. 3. 31.
[u] ch. 5. 6.
[f] ch. 2. 19.
[g] Jos. 11. 1.
[h] Jos. 19. 36.
[i] ch. 5. 19.
[c] Jos. 17. 16, 18.
[d] ch. 2. 16.
[e] He. 11. 32.
[f] Jos. 19. 37.
[g] Ps. 83. 9.
[h] ch. 5. 21.
[i] Ps. 78. 55, 66.
[j] ch. 5. 14.
[k] Lu. 10. 39.
[l] ch. 5. 24.
[m] Nu. 10. 29.
[n] ch. 5. 28.
[o] Ps. 68. 7.
[p] Jos. 10. 10. 1 Sa. 7. 10. 2 Sa. 22. 15. Ps. 18. 14. 144. 6.
[q] Jos. 8. 22.

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to the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite: *for there was* peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

18 ¶ And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me: fear not. And when he had turned in unto her into the tent, she covered him with a [o] mantle.

19 And he said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty. And she opened [a] a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him.

20 Again he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.

21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and [o] took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.

22 And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her *tent*, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nail *was* in his temples.

23 So [b] God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel.

24 And the hand of the children of Israel [†] prospered, and prevailed against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

CHAP. V.

THEN [i] sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,

2 Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, [a] when the people willingly offered themselves.

3 Hear, [p] O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, *even* I, will sing unto the LORD; I will sing *praise* to the LORD God of Israel.

4 LORD, [e] when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of the field of Edom, [f] the earth trembled, and the heavens dropped, the clouds also dropped *water*.

5 The [a] mountains [§] melted from before the LORD, *even* [y] that Sinai from before the LORD God of Israel.

6 In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath, in the days of Jael, [z] the highways were unoccupied, and the [†] travellers walked through [§] byways.

7 *The inhabitants of* the villages ceased, they ceased in Israel, until that I Deborah arose, that I arose [y] a mother in Israel.

8 They [z] chose new gods; then *was* war in the gates: [o] was there a shield or spear seen among forty thousand in Israel?

9 My heart *is* toward the governors of Israel, that [c] offered themselves willingly among the people. Bless ye the LORD.

10 [†] Speak, [d] ye that [*] ride on white asses, [f] ye that sit in judgment, and walk by the way.

11 *They that are delivered* from the noise of archers in the places of drawing water, there shall they rehearse the [†] righteousnesses of the LORD, *even* the righteous acts *toward the inhabitants* of his villages in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD go down to the gates.

12 Awake, [i] awake, Deborah. awake, awake, utter a song: arise, Barak, and [a] lead thy captivity captive, thou son of Abinoam.

13 Then he made him that remaineth [b] have dominion over the nobles among the people: the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty.

14 Out [c] of Ephraim *was there* a root of them against Amalek; after thee, Benjamin, among thy people; out of [d] Machir came down governors, and out of Zebulun they that [†] handle the pen of the writer.

15 And the princes of Issachar *were* with Deborah; even Issachar, and also Barak: he was sent on [‡] foot into the valley. [§] For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great [||] thoughts of heart.

16 Why abodest thou [f] among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of the flocks? [†] For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great searchings of heart.

17 Gilead [g] abode beyond Jordan: and why did Dan remain in ships? Asher continued on the sea [‡] shore, and abode in his [§] breaches.

18 Zebulun and Naphtali *were a* people *that* [||] jeoparded their lives unto the death in the high places of the field.

19 The kings came *and* fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in Taanach by the waters of Megiddo; [i] they took no gain of money.

20 They [h] fought from heaven; the stars in their [*] courses fought against Sisera.

21 The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength.

22 Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the [‡]prancings, the prancings of their mighty ones.

23 Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; [a] because they came not to the help [o] of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty.

24 Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, [p] blessed shall she be above women in the tent.

25 He asked water, *and* she gave *him* milk; she brought forth butter in a lordly dish.

26 She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workman's hammer; and [||] with the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken through his temples.

27 [*] At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay down: at her feet he bowed, he fell: where he bowed, there he fell down [‡] dead.

28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and cried through the lattice, Why is his chariot *so* long in coming? why tarry the wheels of his chariots?

29 Her wise ladies answered her, yea, she returned [||] answer to herself,

30 Have [b] they not sped? have they *not* divided the prey; [*] to every man a damsel *or* two; to Sisera a prey of divers colours, a prey of divers colours of needlework, of divers colours of needlework on both sides, *meet* for the necks of *them that take* the spoil?

31 So [g] let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but *let* them that love him *be* [h] as the sun [i] when he goeth forth in his might. And the land had rest forty years.

CHAP. VI.

AND the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD

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[a] Ps. 68. 18.
[b] Ps. 49. 14.
[c] ch. 3. 27.
[o] or, *rug*, or, *blanket*.
[d] Nu. 32. 39, 40
[e] ch. 5. 25, 26.
[†] *draw with the pen, &c*
[‡] *his feet*.
[§] or, *In the divisions &c*
[||] *impressions*
[f] Nu. 32. 1.
[*] *put*.
[†] or, *In*.
[g] Jos. 13. 25, 31
[‡] or, *port*.
[§] or, *creeks*.
[||] *exposed to reproach*.
[h] Ps. 18. 47.
[i] Ps. 44. 12.
[k] Jos. 10. 11. Ps. 77. 17, 18.
[o] *paths*.
[†] *going went and was hard*.
[‡] or, *tramplings*, or, *plungings*.
[l] Ex. 15. 1. Ps. 18, title.
[m] 2 Ch. 17. 16.
[n] ch. 21. 9, 10. Ne. 3. 5.
[o] 1 Sa. 17. 47. 18. 17. 25. 28.
[p] De. 33. 1, 3. Ps. 2. 10.
[r] Lu. 1. 28.
[s] De. 33. 2. Ps. 68. 7.
[t] 2 Sa. 22. 8. Ps. 68. 8. Is. 64. 3. Hab. 3. 3, 10.
[u] De. 4. 11. Ps. 97. 5.
[§] *flowed*.
[||] *she hammered*.
[v] Ex. 19. 18.
[o] *Between*.
[x] Le. 26. 22. 2 Ch. 15. 5. Is. 33. 8. La. 1. 4.
[†] *walkers of paths*.
[‡] *destroyed*.
[§] *crooked ways*.
[y] Is. 49. 23.
[z] ch. 2. 12, 17. De. 32. 16.
[a] 1 Sa. 13. 19, 22
[||] *her words*.
[b] Ex. 15. 9.
[*] *to the head of a man*.
[c] ver. 2.
[†] or, *Meditate*.
[d] Ps. 105. 2. 145. 5.
[e] ch. 10. 4.
[f] Ps. 107. 32.
[g] Ps. 83. 9, 10.
[h] 2 Sa. 23. 4.
[‡] *righteousnesses of the LORD*.
[i] Ps. 19. 5.
[k] 1 Sa. 12. 7. Ps. 145. 7.
[l] Ps. 57. 8.

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delivered them into the hand of [a] Midian seven years.

2 And the hand of Midian [b] prevailed against Israel: *and* because of the Midianites the children of Israel [c] made them the dens which *are* in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.

3 And *so* it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites, [d] and the children of the east, even they came up against them;

4 And they encamped against them, and [e] destroyed the increase of the earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither † sheep, nor ox, nor ass.

5 For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came as grasshoppers for multitude; *for* both they and their camels were without number: and they entered into the land to destroy it.

6 And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel [f] cried unto the LORD.

7 ¶ And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites,

8 That the LORD sent ‖ a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage;

9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and [m] drave them out from before you, and gave you their land;

10 And I said unto you, I *am* the LORD your God; [p] fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.

11 ¶ And there came an angel of the LORD, and sat under an oak which *was* in Ophrah, that *pertained* unto Joash [q] the Abi-ezrite: and his son [r] Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, † to hide *it* from the Midianites.

12 And the [s] angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD *is* [t] with thee, thou mighty man of valour.

13 And Gideon said unto him, Oh my Lord, if the LORD be with us, why then is all this befallen us? and [u] where *be* all his miracles [x] which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt? but now the LORD hath [y] forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites.

14 And the LORD looked upon him, and said, [z] Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?

15 And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, † my [a] family *is* poor in Manasseh, and I *am* the least in my father's house.

16 And the LORD said unto him, [b] Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as one man.

17 And he said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, then [c] shew me a sign that thou talkest with me.

18 Depart [d] not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring forth my † present, and set *it* before thee. And he said, I will tarry until thou come again.

19 ¶ And [e] Gideon went in, and made ready [f] a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought *it* out unto him under the oak, and presented *it*.

20 And the angel of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay *them* upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so.

21 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that *was* in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and [g] there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.

22 And when Gideon [h] perceived that he *was* an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD! [i] for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face.

23 And the LORD said unto him, [k] Peace *be* unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die.

24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it ‡ Jehovah-shaloim: unto this day it *is* yet [l] in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.

25 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Take thy father's young bullock, § even the second bullock of seven years old, and throw down the altar of Baal that thy father hath, and [l] cut down the grove that *is* by it:

26 And [m] build an altar unto the LORD thy God upon the top of this [n] rock, † in the ordered place, and take the second bullock, and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove which thou shalt cut down.

27 Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and [o] did as the LORD had said unto him: and *so* it was, because he feared his father's houshold, and the men of the city, that he could not do *it* by day, that [p] he did *it* by night.

28 ¶ And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal was cast down, and the grove was cut down that *was* by it, and the second bullock was offered upon the altar *that was* built.

29 And they said one to another, Who hath done this thing? And when they enquired and asked, they said, Gideon the son of Joash hath done this thing.

30 Then the men of the city said unto Joash, [r] Bring out thy son, that he may die: because he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and because he hath cut down the grove that *was* by it.

31 And Joash said unto all that stood against him, [s] Will ye plead for Baal? will ye save him? he that will plead for him, let [t] him be put to death whilst *it is yet* morning: [u] if he *be* a god, let him plead for himself, because *one* hath cast down his altar.

32 Therefore on that day he called him ‖ Jerubbaal, [x] saying, Let Baal plead against him, because he hath thrown down his altar.

33 ¶ Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of the east were gathered together, and went over, and pitched in the valley of Jezreel.

34 But [y] the Spirit of the LORD [z] came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet; and Abi-ezer † was gathered after him.

35 And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh; who also was gathered after him: and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came up to meet them.

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[a] Hab. 3. 7.
[b] *was strong.*
[c] 1 Sa. 13. 6. He. 11. 38.
[d] Ge. 29. 1. 1 Ki. 4. 30. Job. 1. 3.
[e] 2 Ch. 7. 1.
[f] Le. 26. 16. Mi. 6. 15.
† or, *goat.*
[f] ch. 13. 21, 22.
[g] Ge. 32. 30.
[h] Da. 10. 19.
‡ i. e. *The LORD send peace.* Ge. 22. 14. Ex. 17. 15. Jo. 33. 16. Eze. 48. 35.
[i] ch. 8. 32.
[k] ch. 3. 15. Ho. 5. 15.
§ or, *and.*
‖ *a man a prophet.*
[l] De. 7. 5.
[m] 2 Sa. 24. 18.
[n] *strong place.*
† or, *in an orderly manner.*
[m] Ps. 44. 2, 3.
[o] Ge. 1. 16.
[p] Je. 10. 2.
[q] Jno. 3. 2.
[r] Jos. 17. 2.
[s] He. 11. 32. *Gideon.*
‡ *to cause* it *to flee.*
[t] Lu. 1. 11, 28.
[u] Jos. 1. 5.
[x] Ps. 89. 49. Is. 59. 1. 63. 15.
[y] Je. 26. 11.
[z] Ps. 44. 1.
[a] 2 Ch. 15. 2.
[b] Ex. 23. 2.
[c] 1 Sa. 12. 11.
[d] De. 17. 2, 7.
[e] Ps. 115. 4, 7. Is. 41. 23.
§ *my thousand* is *the meanest.* Ex. 18. 21, 25. Mi. 5. 2.
[f] 1 Sa. 9. 21.
‖ i. e. *Let Baal plead*
[g] 1 Sa. 12. 11. 2 Sa. 11. 21. *Jerubbesheth*; i. e. *Let the shameful thing plead* Je. 11. 13. Ho. 9. 10.
[h] Jos. 1. 5.
[i] Ex. 4. 1. 8. 2 Ki. 20. 8. Ps. 86. 17.
[k] 1 Ch. 12. 18. 2 Ch. 24. 20.
[l] *clothed.*
[l] Ge. 18. 3, 5.
† *was called after him.*
‡ or, *meat offering.*
[m] Ge. 18. 8.
§ *a kid of the goats.*

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36 ¶ And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said,

37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; *and* if the dew be on the fleece only, and *it be* dry upon all the earth *beside*, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said.

38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.

39 And Gideon said unto God, [b] Let not thine anger be hot against me, and I will speak but this once: let me prove, I pray thee, but this once with the fleece; let it now be dry only upon the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew.

40 And God did so that night: for it was dry upon the fleece only, [c] and there was dew on all the ground.

CHAP. VII.

THEN [d] Jerubbaal, who *is* Gideon, and all the people that *were* with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the host of the Midianites were on the north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that *are* with thee *are* too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel [e] vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.

3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, [f] Whosoever *is* fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

4 And the LORD said unto Gideon, [g] The people *are* yet *too* many; bring them down unto the water, and [i] I will try them for thee there: and it shall be, *that* of whom I say unto thee, This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go.

5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.

6 And the number of them that lapped, *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.

7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, [k] By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* people go every man unto his place.

8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all *the rest of* Israel every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

9 ¶ And it came to pass the same [l] night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.

10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the host:

11 And thou shalt [m] hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the [n] armed men that *were* in the host.

12 And the Midianites and the Amalekites and [o] all the children of the east lay along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude; and their camels *were* without number, as the sand by the sea side for multitude.

13 And when Gideon was come, behold, *there was* a man that told a dream unto his fellow, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay along.

14 And his fellow answered and said, This *is* nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: *for* into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.

15 ¶ And it was *so*, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and [†] the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the host of Israel, and said, Arise; for the LORD hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian.

16 And he divided the three hundred men *into* three companies, and he put [‡] a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and [§] lamps within the pitchers.

17 And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be *that*, as I do, so shall ye do.

18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that *are* with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, *The sword* of the LORD, and of Gideon.

19 ¶ So Gideon, and the hundred men that *were* with him, came unto the outside of the camp in the [p] beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that *were* in their hands.

20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow *withal*: and they cried, The sword of the LORD, and of Gideon.

21 And they [q] stood every man in his place round about the camp: [r] and all the host ran, and cried, and fled.

22 And the three hundred [m] blew the trumpets, and [s] the LORD set [t] every man's sword against his fellow, even throughout all the host: and the host fled to Beth-shittah [‖] in Zererath, *and* to the [u] border of Abel-meholah, unto Tabbath.

23 And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after the Midianites.

24 ¶ And Gideon sent messengers throughout all [v] mount Ephraim, saying, Come down against the Midianites, and take before them the waters unto [w] Beth-barah and Jordan. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and took the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan.

25 And they took [x] two princes of the Midianites, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew Oreb upon [y] the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and

B. C. 1219.

[a] or, *ranks by &c.* Ex. 13. 18.

[b] ch. 6. 5, 33. 8. 10.

[c] Ge. 18. 22.

[d] Ps. 107. 33.. 35. Is. 35. 6, 7. 50. 2. Mat. 21. 43. Ac. 28. 28. Ro. 11. 12.. 22.

[e] ch. 6. 32.

[†] *the breaking thereof.*

[‡] *trumpets in the hand of all of them.*

[§] or, *fire-brands*, or, *torches.*

[f] De. 20. 8. Mat. 13. 21. Lu. 14. 25.. 33. Re. 21. 8.

[g] Ps. 33. 16. 44. 3, 6, 7.

[h] Mat. 25. 6. 1 Th. 5. 2. Re. 16. 15.

[i] Ge. 22. 1. 1 Sa.. 16. 7. Job 23. 10. Mal. 3. 2, 3.

[k] Ex. 14. 13, 14 2 Ch. 20. 17.

[l] 2 Ki. 7. 7. Job 15. 21, 24 Pr. 28. 1.

[m] Jos. 6. 4, 16, 20. 2 Co. 4. 7.

[n] Ps. 83. 9. 115. 1. Is. 9. 4.

[o] 1 Sa. 14. 20. 2 Ch. 20. 23.

[‖] or, *toward.*

[p] 1 Sa. 14. 6. 2 Ch. 14. 11. Is. 41. 14.. 16

[q] *lip.*

[r] ch. 3. 27, 28.

[s] Jno. 1. 28.

[t] Ge. 46. 2, 3. Job 33. 14.. 16.

[u] Ps. 83. 11.

[v] Is. 10. 26.

[w] Ge. 24. 14. 1Sa. 14. 9, 10.

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pursued Midian, and brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon on the other side Jordan.

CHAP. VIII.

AND [a] the men of Ephraim said unto him, [†] Why hast thou served us thus, that thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him [‡] sharply.

2 And he said unto them, [c] What have I done now in comparison of you? *Is* not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abi-ezer?

3 God hath delivered into your hands the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their [‖] anger [e] was abated toward him, when he had said that.

4 ¶ And Gideon came to Jordan, *and* passed over, he, and the three hundred men that *were* with him, [f] faint, yet pursuing *them*.

5 And he said unto the men of [g] Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they *be* faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian.

6 ¶ And the princes of Succoth said, [i] *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that [i] we should give bread unto thine army?

7 And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will [*] tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers.

8 ¶ And he went up thence [m] to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and the men of Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered *him*.

9 And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When [n] I come again in peace, [o] I will break down this tower.

10 ¶ Now Zebah and Zalmunna *were* in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand *men*, all that were left of [p] all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell [‡] an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword.

11 ¶ And Gideon went up by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the east of [q] Nobah and Jogbehah, and smote the host: for the host was [r] secure.

12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and [s] took the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and [‖] discomfited all the host.

13 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle before the sun *was up*,

14 And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and enquired of him: and he [†] described unto him the princes of Succoth, and the elders thereof, even threescore and seventeen men.

15 And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with whom ye did upbraid me, saying, *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thy men *that are* weary?

16 And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he [‡] taught the men of Succoth.

17 And he beat down the tower of [t] Penuel, and slew the men of the city.

18 ¶ Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men *were they* whom ye slew at [i] Tabor? And they answered, As thou *art*, so *were* they; each

B. C. 1249.

[a] *according to the form, &c.*
[c] ch. 12. 1. 2 Sa. 19. 41. Job 5. 2. Ec. 4. 4. Ja. 4. 5, 6.
[†] *What thing is this thou hast done unto us?*
[b] Jos. 10. 24. 1 Sa. 15. 33. Ps. 149 7, 8.
[‡] *strongly.*
[e] Phi. 2. 3. Ja. 1. 19, 20.
[d] Ps. 83. 11.
[§] *or, ornaments like the moon.*
[‖] *spirit.*
[e] Pr. 15. 1.
[f] 1 Sa. 30. 10. 2 Co. 4. 8, 9, 16. Ga. 6. 9. He. 12. 1, 4.
[g] Ge. 33. 17. Ps. 60. 6.
[h] 1 Sa. 8. 7. 10. 19. 12. 12.
[i] 1 Ki. 20. 11.
[k] Ge. 25. 13. 37. 25, 28.
[l] 1 Sa. 25. 11.
[*] *thresh.*
[m] Ge. 32. 30, 31
[†] *or, sweet jewels.*
[n] ch. 17. 5. 1 Sa. 23. 9, 10 1s. 8. 26.
[o] 1 Ki. 22. 27.
[p] ch. 6. 24.
[q] ver. 17.
[r] Ps. 106. 39.
[s] De. 7. 16.
[t] ch. 7. 12.
[‡] *or, an hundred and twenty thousand, every one drawing a sword.*
ch. 20. 2. 2 Ki. 3. 26.
[u] ch. 5. 31.
[x] Nu. 31. 35, 42
[y] ch. 18. 27. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[z] ch. 9. 2, 5.
[§] *going out of his high.*
[a] Ps. 83. 11.
[b] ch. 9. 1.
[‖] *terrified.*
[c] *set.*
[c] Ge. 25. 8. Job 5. 26.
[d] ch. 6. 24.
[†] *versi.*
[e] ch. 2. 19.
[f] ch. 2. 17.
[g] ch. 9. 4, 46.
[h] Ps. 78. 11, 42. 106. 13, 21.
[i] Ec. 9. 14, 15.
[*] *made to know*
[k] 1 Ki. 12. 25.
[l] ch. 4. 6. Ps. 89. 12.
[m] ch. 8. 30, 31

one [*] resembled the children of a king.

19 And he said, They *were* my brethren, *even* the sons of my mother: *as* the LORD liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you.

20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn, [k] Up, *and* slay them. But the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he *was* yet a youth.

21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said. Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the man *is, so is* his strength. And Gideon arose, and [d] slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took away the [§] ornaments that *were* on their camels' necks.

22 ¶ Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also: for thou hast delivered us from the hand of Midian.

23 And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: [h] the LORD shall rule over you.

24 ¶ And Gideon said unto them, I would desire a request of you, that ye would give me every man the earrings of his prey. (For they had golden earrings, [k] because they *were* Ishmaelites.)

25 And they answered, We will willingly give *them*. And they spread a garment, and did cast therein every man the earrings of his prey.

26 And the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred *shekels* of gold; beside ornaments, and [†] collars, and purple raiment that *was* on the kings of Midian, and beside the chains that *were* about their camels' necks.

27 And Gideon [m] made an ephod thereof, and put it in his city, *even* [l] in Ophrah: and all Israel [e] went thither a whoring after it: which thing became [f] a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.

28 ¶ Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that they lifted up their heads no more. [g] And the country was in quietness forty years in the days of Gideon.

29 ¶ And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.

30 And Gideon had [n] threescore and ten sons [§] of his body begotten: for he had many wives.

31 And [b] his concubine that *was* in Shechem, she also bare him a son, whose name he [*] called Abimelech.

32 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash died [c] in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Joash his father, [d] in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.

33 And it came to pass, [e] as soon as Gideon was dead, that the children of Israel turned again, and [f] went a whoring after Baalim, [g] and made Baal-berith their god.

34 And the children of Israel [h] remembered not the LORD their God, who had delivered them out of the hands of all their enemies on every side:

35 Neither [i] shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, *namely*, Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.

CHAP. IX.

AND Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto [m] his mother's brethren, and communed with them, and

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with all the family of the house of his mother's father, saying,

2 Speak, I pray you, in the ears of all the men of Shechem, [a] Whether *is* better for you, either that all the sons of Jerubbaal, *which are* threescore and ten persons, reign over you, or that one reign over you? remember also that I *am* [b] your bone and your flesh.

3 And his mother's brethren spake of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words: and their hearts inclined [†] to follow Abimelech; for they said, He *is* our [c] brother.

4 And they gave him threescore and ten *pieces* of silver out of the house of [d] Baalberith, wherewith Abimelech hired [h] vain and light persons, which followed him.

5 And he went unto his father's house [e] at Ophrah, and [h] slew his brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, *being* threescore and ten persons, upon one stone: notwithstanding yet Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself.

6 And all the men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of Millo, and went, and made Abimelech king, [§] by the plain of the pillar that *was* in Shechem.

7 ¶ And when they told *it* to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of [f] mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them, Hearken unto me, ye men of Shechem, that God may hearken unto you.

8 The [a] trees went forth *on a time* to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive tree, [p] Reign thou over us.

9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, [q] wherewith by me they honour God and man, and [a] go to be promoted over the trees?

10 And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

11 But the fig tree said unto them, Should I forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?

12 Then said the trees unto the vine, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?

14 Then said all the trees unto the [§] bramble, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

15 And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me king over you, *then* come *and* put your trust in my [r] shadow: and if not, [s] let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the [a] cedars of Lebanon.

16 Now therefore, if ye have done truly and sincerely, in that ye have made Abimelech king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands;

17 (For my father fought for you, and [a] adventured his life far, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian:

18 And [h] ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he *is* your brother;)

19 If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with Jerubbaal and with his house this day, *then* [d] rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you:

20 But if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the house of Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour Abimelech.

21 And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to [a] Beer, and dwelt there, for fear of Abimelech his brother.

22 ¶ When Abimelech had reigned three years over Israel,

23 Then [a] God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the men of Shechem [d] dealt treacherously with Abimelech:

24 That the cruelty *f done* to the threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come, and their blood be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them; and upon the men of Shechem, which [‡] aided him in the killing of his brethren.

25 And the men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.

26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their confidence in him.

27 And they went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*, and made ‖ merry, and went into [m] the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech.

28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, [n] Who *is* Abimelech, and who *is* Shechem, that we should serve him? *is* not *he* the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the men of [r] Hamor the father of Shechem: for why should we serve him?

29 And [t] would to God this people were under my hand! then would I remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech, [u] Increase thine army, and come out.

30 ¶ And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his anger was [†] kindled.

31 And he sent messengers unto Abimelech [‡] privily, saying, Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren be come to Shechem; and, behold, they fortify the city against thee.

32 Now therefore up [x] by night, thou and the people that *is* with thee, and lie in wait in the field:

33 And it shall be, *that* in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon the city: and, behold, *when* he and the people that *is* with him come out against thee, then mayest thou do to them as ‖ thou shalt find occasion.

34 ¶ And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that *were* with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies.

35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose up, and the people that *were* with him, from lying in wait.

36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there come people down from the top of the mountains. And Zebul said unto him, Thou [c] seest the shadow of the mountains as *if they were* men.

37 And Gaal spake again and said, See there come people down by the [†] middle of the land, and another company come along by the plain of [‡] Meonenim.

38 Then said Zebul unto him, Where *is* now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst,

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[a] *What is good? whether, &c.*
[a] 2 Sa. 20. 14.
[b] Ge. 29. 14.
[c] 1 Sa. 16. 14. 18. 9. 10. 2 Ch. 10. 15. 18. 19, &c. Is. 19. 2, 14.
† *after.*
[d] 1 Ki. 23. 1.
[e] Ge. 29. 15.
[f] 1 Ki. 2. 32. Es. 9. 22. Ps. 7. 16. Mat. 23. 35, 36
[g] ch. 8. 33.
[h] 2 Ch. 13. 7. Job 30. 8. Pr. 12. 11. Ac. 17. 5.
[i] ch. 6. 24.
[k] 2 Ki. 11. 1, 2.
‡ *strengthened his hands to kill.*
§ or, *by the oak of the pillar.* Jos. 24. 26.
[l] De. 27. 12. Jos. 8. 33. Jno. 4. 20.
‖ or, *songs.* Is. 16. 9, 10. Je. 25. 30.
[m] ver. 4.
[n] 1 Sa. 25. 10. 1 Ki. 12. 16.
[o] 2 Ki. 14. 9.
[p] ch. 8. 22, 23.
[q] Ge. 34. 2, 6.
[r] Ps. 104. 15.
[s] 2 Sa. 15. 4.
[a] *go up and down for other trees?*
[t] 2 Sa. 2. 14.. 17. 2 Ki. 14. 8. Is. 36. 8, 9.
† or, *hot.*
‡ *craftily*, or, *to Tormah.*
[x] Job 24. 14.. 17. Ps. 36. 4. Pr. 1. 11.. 16. 4. 16. Ro. 3. 15, 16.
§ or, *thistle.*
[y] Is. 30. 2. Da. 11. 13. Ho. 14. 7.
[z] Nu. 21. 28. Eze. 19. 14.
[a] 2 Ki. 14. 9. Ps. 104. 16. Is. 2. 13. 37. 24. Eze. 31. 3.
‖ *thine hand shall find.* 1 Sa. 10. 7. 25. 8. Ec. 9. 10.
[a] *cast.*
[b] ver. 5, 6.
[c] Eze. 7. 7 Mar. 8. 24.
† *navel.*
[d] Is. 8 6.
‡ or, *the regarders of the times.* De. 18. 14.

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Who *is* Abimelech, that we should serve him? *is* not this the people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray now, and fight with them.

39 And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech.

40 And Abimelech chased him, [b] and he fled before him, and many were overthrown *and* wounded, *even* unto the entering of the gate.

41 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem.

42 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field; and they told Abimelech.

43 And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field, and looked, and, behold, the people *were* come forth out of the city; and he rose up against them, and smote them.

44 And Abimelech, and the company that *was* with him, [b] rushed forward, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and the two *other* companies ran upon all *the people* that *were* in the fields, and slew them.

45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and [f] he took the city, and slew the people that *was* therein, and beat [m]down the city, and sowed it with salt.

46 ¶ And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard *that*, they entered into an hold of the house of [n] the god Berith.

47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together.

48 And Abimelech gat him up to mount [o] Zalmon, he and all the people that *were* with him; and Abimelech took an ax in his hand, and cut down a bough from the trees, and took it, and laid *it* on his shoulder, and said unto the people that *were* with him, What ye have seen § me do, make haste, *and* do as I *have done*.

49 And all the people likewise cut down every man his bough, and followed Abimelech, and put *them* to the hold, and set the hold on fire upon them; so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women.

50 ¶ Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it.

51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut *it* to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower.

52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire.

53 And a certain woman [t] cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and all to brake his scull.

54 Then [f] he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and said unto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A woman slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died.

55 And [k] when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man unto his place.

56 ¶ Thus [l] God rendered the wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in slaying his seventy brethren:

57 And all the evil of the men of Shechem did God render upon their heads: and upon them came [n] the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal

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[a] ch. 2. 16. [o] *save, or, deliver.* [b] 1 Ki. 20. 18., 21, 30. [c] ch. 5. 10. 12. 14. [d] De. 3. 14. † or, *the villages of Jair* Nu. 32. 41. [e] ch 3. 7. 4. 1. 6. 1. 13. 1. [f] ch. 2. 13. [g] 1 Ki. 11. 33. Ps. 106. 36. [h] Ge. 5. 15. [i] 1 Sa. 5. 2. 2 Ki. 1. 2. 3. Je. 2. 13. [k] 1 Sa. 12. 9. [l] ver. 20. [m] *crushed.* De. 29. 23. 1 Ki. 12. 25. 2 Ki. 3. 25. Ps. 107. 34. [n] ch. 8. 33. 1 Ki. 18 26. 2 Ki. 1. 2..4. Ps. 115. 8. Is. 29. 15..18 37. 38. [o] Ps. 68. 14. [p] 1 Sa. 12. 10. § *I have done* [r] Ex. 14. 30. [s] Nu. 21. 21, 24, 25 [t] ch. 2. 12, 13 [u] ch. 3. 31. [v] ch. 5. 19 [x] ch. 6. 3. [y] Ps. 106. 42, &c. [z] De. 32. 15. Je. 2. 13. [a] De. 32. 37, 38 2 Ki. 3. 13. Je. 2. 28. [b] 1 Sa. 3. 18. 2 Sa. 15. 26. [c] 2 Sa. 11. 21. [d] 2 Ch. 7. 14. 15. 6. Je. 18. 7, 8. [e] *gods of strangers.* [f] Is. 63. 9. † *shortened.* [g] 1 Sa. 31. 4. ‡ *cried together.* [h] Ge. 31. 49 [i] 1 Sa. 12. 9, 10 2 Sa. 18. 16 20. 21, 22 1 Ki. 22. 35, 36. Pr. 22. 10. [k] ver. 24. Jos. 24. 2. Ps. 94. 23. Pr. 5. 22. Mat. 7. 2. Ac. 28. 4. Ga. 6. 7. [l] ch. 11. 8, 11. [m] He. 11. 32, *Jephthae.* [n] 2 Ki. 5. 1. [o] ver. 20. § *a woman an harlot.*

CHAP. X.

AND after Abimelech there [a] arose to [b] defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim.

2 And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir.

3 ¶ And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel twenty and two years.

4 And he had thirty sons that [c] rode on thirty ass colts, and they had thirty cities, [d] which are called † Havoth-jair unto this day, which *are* in the land of Gilead.

5 And Jair died, and was buried in Camon.

6 ¶ And [e] the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD, and [f] served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of [g] Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of [i] the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and served not him.

7 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he [k] sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the children of Ammon.

8 And that year they vexed and † oppressed the children of Israel eighteen years, all the children of Israel that *were* on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which *is* in Gilead.

9 Moreover the children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed.

10 ¶ And [p] the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, saying, We have sinned against thee, both because we have forsaken our God, and also served Baalim.

11 And the LORD said unto the children of Israel, *Did* not *I deliver you* [r] from the Egyptians, and [s] from the Amorites, [t] from the children of Ammon, [u] and from the Philistines?

12 The [v] Zidonians also, [x] and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, [y] did oppress you; and ye cried to me, and I delivered you out of their hand.

13 Yet [z] ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.

14 Go and [a] cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation.

15 ¶ And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned. [b] do thou unto us whatsoever ‡ seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we pray thee, this day.

16 And [d] they put away the [e] strange gods from among them, and served the LORD: and his [f] soul was † grieved for the misery of Israel.

17 Then the children of Ammon were ‡ gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in [g] Mizpeh.

18 And the people *and* princes of Gilead said one to another, What man *is he* that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall [h] be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

CHAP. XI.

NOW [i] Jephthah the Gileadite was [m] a mighty man of valour, and he *was* the son of § an harlot: and Gilead begat Jephthah.

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2 And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's sons grew up, and they [a] thrust out Jephthah, and said unto him, Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house; for thou *art* the son of a strange woman.

3 Then Jephthah fled [b] from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there were gathered [c] vain men to Jephthah, and went out with him.

4 ¶ And it came to pass [†] in process of time, that the children of Ammon made war against Israel.

5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land of Tob:

6 And they said unto Jephthah, Come, and be our captain, that we may fight with the children of Ammon.

7 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, [f] Did not ye hate me, and expel me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ye are in distress?

8 And [g] the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore we [h] turn again to thee now, that thou mayest go with us, and fight against the children of Ammon, and be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

9 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, If ye bring me home again to fight against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver them before me, shall I be your head?

10 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, [m] The LORD [‡] be witness between us, if we do not so according to thy words.

11 Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him [n] head and captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his words [r] before the LORD in Mizpeh.

12 ¶ And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come against me to fight in my land?

13 And the king of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, [u] Because Israel took away my land, when they came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto [v] Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those *lands* again peaceably.

14 And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children of Ammon:

15 And said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah, [x] Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon:

16 But when Israel came up from Egypt, and [a] walked through the wilderness unto the Red sea, and [b] came to Kadesh;

17 Then [c] Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, pass through thy land: [e] but the king of Edom would not hearken *thereto*. And in like manner they sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not *consent*: and Israel [‡] abode in Kadesh.

18 Then they went along through the wilderness, and [h] compassed the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, [i] and pitched on the other side of Arnon, but came not within the border of Moab: for Arnon *was* the border of Moab.

19 And [l] Israel sent messengers unto

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[a] Ge. 21. 10. Ga. 4. 30.
[b] De. 2. 32..34
[c] *from the face of.*
[c] ch. 9. 4. 1 Sa. 22. 2.
[d] Ne. 9. 22.
[†] *after days.*
[e] De. 2. 36.
[f] Ge. 26. 27.
[g] 1 Ki. 11. 7. Je. 48. 7.
[h] De. 9. 4, 5.
[i] ch. 10. 18.
[k] Lu. 17. 4.
[l] Nu. 22. 2. Jos. 24. 9.
[m] Je. 42. 5.
[‡] *be the hearer between us.*
[n] Ge. 18. 25.
[o] Ge. 16. 5. 31. 53. 1 Sa. 24. 12, 15.
[P] ver. 8.
[r] ch. 20. 1. 1 Sa. 10. 17. 11. 15.
[s] ch. 3. 10.
[§] Jephthah seems to have been judge only of North-east Israel.
[t] Ge. 26. 20. 1 Sa. 1. 11.
[u] Nu. 21. 24.. 26
[v] Ge. 32. 22.
[||] *that which cometh forth, which shall come forth.*
[x] Le. 27. 2, 3, &c. 1 Sa. 1. 11, 28
[e] or, *or I will*
[y] Ps. 66. 13.
[z] De. 2. 9, 19.
[a] Nu. 14. 25. De. 1. 40. Jos. 5. 6.
[b] Nu. 13. 26.
[c] Nu. 20. 14.
[d] Eze. 27. 17.
[†] or, *Abel.*
[e] Nu. 20. 18, 21
[f] Nu. 20. 1.
[g] Ex. 15. 20. 1 Sa. 18. 6. Ps. 68. 25. Je. 31. 4.
[h] Nu. 21. 4.
[‡] *of himself,* or, *he had not of his own either son or daughter.*
[i] Nu. 22. 36.
[k] Ge. 37. 29, 34.
[l] Nu. 21. 21, 22

Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon; and Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray thee, through thy land into my place.

20 But [k] Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

21 And [d] the LORD God of Israel delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country.

22 And they possessed [e] all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan.

23 So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel, and shouldest thou possess it?

24 Wilt not thou possess that which [f] Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess? So whomsoever [h] the LORD our God shall drive out from before us, them will we possess.

25 And now *art* thou any thing better than [i] Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against them,

26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and in Aroer and her towns, and in all the cities that *be* along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred years? why therefore did ye not recover *them* within that time?

27 Wherefore I have not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me: the LORD [m] the Judge [n] be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of Ammon.

28 Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him.

29 ¶ Then [o] the Spirit of the LORD came upon [§] Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over *unto* the children of Ammon.

30 And Jephthah [t] vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands,

31 Then it shall be, that [||] whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, [x] shall surely be the LORD's, [e] and [y] I will offer it up for a burnt offering.

32 ¶ So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the LORD delivered them into his hands.

33 And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to [z] Minnith, even twenty cities, and unto [†] the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel.

34 ¶ And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, [§] his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she *was his* only child; [‡] beside her he had neither son nor daughter.

35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he [k] rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that

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trouble me: for I [a] have opened my mouth unto the LORD, and [b] I cannot go back.

36 And she said unto him, My father, *if* thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as [d] the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, even of the children of Ammon.

37 And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months, that I may [‡] go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my fellows.

38 And he said, Go. And he sent her away *for* two months: and she went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains.

39 And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who [e] did with her *according* to his vow which he had vowed: and she knew no man. And it was a [*] custom in Israel,

40 *That* the daughters of Israel went [†] yearly ‖ to lament the daughter of Jephthah the Gileadite four days in a year.

CHAP. XII.

AND [f] the men of Ephraim [§] gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire.

2 And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.

3 And when I saw that ye delivered *me* not, I [g] put my life in my hands, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?

4 Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites [‖] *are* fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, *and* among the Manassites.

5 And the Gileadites took the [m] passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites: and it was *so*, that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, Let me go over; that the men of Gilead said unto him, *Art* thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay;

6 Then said they unto him, Say now ‖ Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth: for he could not frame to pronounce *it* right. Then they took him, and slew him at the passages of Jordan: and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites forty and two thousand.

7 And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in *one of* the cities of Gilead.

8 ¶ And after him [‡] Ibzan of Beth-lehem judged Israel.

9 And he had thirty sons, and thirty daughters, *whom* he sent abroad, and took in thirty daughters from abroad for his sons. And he judged Israel seven years.

10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Beth-lehem.

11 ¶ And after him [§] Elon, a Zebulonite, judged Israel; and he judged Israel ten years.

12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the country of Zebulun.

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[a] Ex. 5. 2.
[b] A civil judge also in North-east Israel.
[d] Ps. 15. 4.
[†] *sons' sons.*
[e] ch. 10. 4.
[d] 2 Sa. 18. 19, 31.
[‡] *go and go down.*
[§] *added to commit, &c.*
[e] ch. 4. 1. Je. 13. 23. Ro. 2. 16.
‖ This seems a partial captivity.
[f] 1 Sa. 12. 9.
[g] Jos. 19. 41.
[h] Lu. 1. 11, 12, 28, 31.
[i] 1 Sa. 2. 18.
[*] or, *ordinance.*
[†] *from year to year.*
[‡] or, *to talk with.* ch. 5. 11.
[k] Nu. 6. 2, 3. Lu. 1. 15.
[l] ch. 8. 1.
[§] *were called* [m] Nu. 6. 5. 1 Sa. 1. 11.
[n] Nu. 6. 2.
[o] 1 Sa. 7. 13. 2 Sa. 8. 1.
‖ Which signifieth *a stream,* or, *flood.* Ps. 69. 2, 15. 32. 12.
[p] De. 33. 1. 1 Sa. 2. 27. 9. 6. 1 Ki. 17. 24. Mat. 28. 3. Lu. 9. 29. Ac. 6. 15.
[q] 1 Sa. 19. 5. 28. 21. Job 13. 14. Ps. 119. 109.
[r] 1 Sa. 25. 10. Ps. 78. 9.
[m] Jos. 22. 11.
‖ Which signifieth *a stream,* or, *flood.* Ps. 69. 2, 15. 32. 12.
[*] *What shall be the manner of.*
[†] what shall be *his work?* or, *what shall he do?*
[‡] He seems to have been only a civil judge to do justice in North-east Israel.
[*] ch. 6. 18, &c. Ge. 18. 5.
[§] A civil judge in North-east Israel.
‖ *before thee.*

13 ¶ And after him [*] Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite, judged Israel.

14 And he had forty sons and thirty [†] nephews, that [q] rode on threescore and ten ass colts: and he judged Israel eight years.

15 And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the mount of the Amalekites.

CHAP. XIII.

AND the children of Israel [§] did [r] evil again in the sight of the LORD; ‖ and the LORD delivered them [f] into the hand of the Philistines forty years.

2 ¶ And there was a certain man of [§] Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name *was* Manoah; and his wife *was* barren, and bare not.

3 And the [h] angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, Behold now, thou *art* barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son.

4 Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and [i] drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean *thing:*

5 For, lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no [m] razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be [n] a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall [*] begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

6 [t] Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, [p] A man of God came unto me, and his [r] countenance *was* like the countenance of an angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he *was*, neither told he me his name:

7 But he said unto me, Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean *thing:* for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the womb to the day of his death.

8 ¶ Then Manoah intreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born.

9 And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the angel of God came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband *was* not with her.

10 And the woman made haste, and ran, and shewed her husband, and said unto him, Behold, the man hath appeared unto me, that came unto me the *other* day.

11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him, *Art* thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And he said, I *am.*

12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to pass. [*] How shall we order the child, and [†] *how* shall we do unto him?

13 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Of all that I said unto the woman let her beware.

14 She may not eat of any *thing* that cometh of the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean *thing:* all that I commanded her let her observe.

15 ¶ And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee, [*] let us detain thee, until we shall have made ready a kid ‖ for thee.

16 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, thou must offer it unto

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the LORD. For Manoah knew not that he *was* an angel of the LORD.

17 And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, What *is* thy name, that when thy sayings come to pass we may do thee honour?

18 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, [c] Why askest thou thus after my name, seeing it is [*] secret?

19 So Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered *it* upon a rock unto the LORD: and *the angel* did wonderously; and Manoah and his wife looked on.

20 For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar. And Manoah and his wife looked on *it*, and [d] fell on their faces to the ground.

21 But the angel of the LORD did no more appear to Manoah and to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he *was* an angel of the LORD.

22 And Manoah said unto his wife, [f] We shall surely die, because we have seen God.

23 But his wife said unto him, If the LORD were pleased to kill us, he would not have received a burnt offering and a meat offering at our hands, neither would he have shewed us all these *things*, nor would as at this time have told us *such things* as these.

24 ¶ And the woman bare a son, and called his name [h] Samson: and [i] the child grew, and the LORD blessed him.

25 And [m] the Spirit of the LORD began to move him at times in ‖ the camp of Dan [n] between Zorah and Eshtaol.

CHAP. XIV.

AND Samson went down [p] to Timnath, and [r] saw a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines.

2 And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I have seen a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore [s] get her for me to wife.

3 Then his father and his mother said unto him, *Is there* never a woman among the daughters of [u] thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the [*] uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for † she pleaseth me well.

4 But his father and his mother knew not that it *was* [y] of the LORD, that he sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time [a] the Philistines had dominion over Israel.

5 ¶ Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared ‡ against him.

6 And [b] the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and *he had* nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

7 And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased Samson well.

8 ¶ And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcase of the lion: and, behold, *there was* a swarm of bees and honey in the carcase of the lion.

9 And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and he gave them, and they did eat: but he told not them that he had taken the honey out of the carcase of the lion.

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[c] Ge. 32. 29.
[b] 1 Ki. 10. 1. Ezr. 17. 2. Lu. 14. 7.
[*] or, *wonderful*.
[e] Ge. 29. 27.
† or, *thirty*.
[d] Ge. 45. 22. 2 Ki. 5. 22.
[e] Le. 9. 24. 1 Ch. 21. 16. Ezr. 1. 28. Mat. 17. 6.
[f] Ge. 32. 30. Ex. 33. 20. De. 5. 26.
[g] ch. 16. 5.
[h] ch. 15. 6.
‡ *possess us*, or, *impoverish us*.
[i] ch. 16. 15.
[k] He. 11. 32.
[l] 1 Sa. 3. 19. Lu. 1. 80. 2. 52.
§ or, *the rest of the seven days, &c.*
[m] ch. 3. 10. 1 Sa. 11. 6. Mat. 4. 1.
‖ *Mahaneh-dan*, as ch. 18. 12.
[n] Jos. 15. 33.
[o] Ge. 3. 6. Job 2. 9. Pr. 7. 21. Lu. 11. 8. 18. 4,5.
[p] Ge. 38. 13. Jos. 15. 10.
[r] Ge. 34. 2.
[s] Ge. 21. 21.
[t] ch. 3. 10. 13. 25.
[u] Ge. 24. 3, 4.
[*] or, *apparel*
[w] Ge. 34. 14. Ex. 34. 16. De. 7. 3.
† *she is right in mine eyes.*
[x] ch. 15. 2.
[y] Jos. 11. 20. 1 Ki. 12. 15. 2 Ki. 6. 33. 2 Ch. 10. 15. 22. 7. 25. 20.
[a] Ps. 5&6. 12, 13. Je. 2. 4, 5. Mi. 7. 5. Mat. 26. 49, 50. Jno. 2. 29. 13. 18.
[b] De. 28. 48.
‡ *in meeting him.*
[b] ch. 3. 10. 1 Sa. 11. 6.
[c] ch. 14. 20.
§ *let her be thine.*
‖ or, *blameless from the.*
[*] or, *torches.*

10 ¶ So his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a feast; for so used the young men to do.

11 And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought thirty companions to be with him.

12 ¶ And Samson said unto them, I will now [b] put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly declare it me [c] within the seven days of the feast, and find *it* out, then I will give you thirty † sheets and thirty [d] change of garments:

13 But if ye cannot declare *it* me, then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it.

14 And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days expound the riddle.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, [f] Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, ‡ lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to ‖ take that we have? *is it* not *so*?

16 And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, [i] Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told *it* me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told *it* my father nor my mother, and shall I tell *it* thee?

17 And she wept before him § the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because [*] she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

18 And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What *is* sweeter than honey? and what *is* stronger than a lion? And he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

19 ¶ And [t] the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their [*] spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

20 But Samson's wife [w] was *given* to his companion, whom he had used as [x] his friend.

CHAP. XV.

BUT it came to pass within a while after, in the time of wheat harvest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to go in.

2 And her father said, I verily thought that thou hadst utterly [c] hated her; therefore I gave her to thy companion: *is* not her younger sister fairer than she? § take her, I pray thee, instead of her.

3 ¶ And Samson said concerning them, Now shall I be ‖ more blameless than the Philistines, though I do them a displeasure.

4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and took [*] firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails.

5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he let *them* go into the standing corn of the Philistines, and burnt up both the

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shocks, and also the standing corn, with the vineyards *and* olives.

6 Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson, the son in law of the Timnite, because he had taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And [a] the Philistines came up, and burnt her and her father with fire.

7 ¶ And Samson said unto them, Though ye have done this, yet will I be avenged of you, and after that I will cease.

8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he went down and dwelt in the top of the rock Etam.

9 ¶ Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in Judah, and spread themselves [b] in Lehi.

10 And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And they answered, To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath done to us.

11 Then three thousand men of Judah [c] went to the top of the rock Etam, and said to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines *are* [d] rulers over us? what *is* this *that* thou hast done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them.

12 And they said unto him, We are come down to bind thee, that we may deliver thee into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said unto them, Swear unto me, that ye will not fall upon me yourselves.

13 And they spake unto him, saying, No; but we will bind thee fast, and deliver thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him up from the rock.

14 ¶ *And* when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and [e] the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that *were* upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands [f] loosed from off his hands.

15 And he found a [g] new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and [h] slew a thousand men therewith.

16 And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, [i] heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men.

17 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone out of his hand, and called that place [k] Ramath-lehi.

18 ¶ And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, [l] Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised?

19 But God clave an hollow place that *was* in [m] the jaw, and there came water thereout; and when he had drunk, [n] his spirit came again, and he revived: wherefore he called the name thereof [o] En-hakkore, which *is* in Lehi unto this day.

20 [p] And he judged Israel [q] in the days of the Philistines twenty years.

CHAP. XVI.

THEN went Samson to Gaza, and saw there [r] an harlot, and went in unto her.

2 *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they [s] compassed *him* in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were [t] quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.

3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts,

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[a] *with the bar.*
[b] or, *by the brook.*
[c] ch. 14. 15.
[d] Pr. 2. 16..19 5. 3..11. 6. 24..26 7. 21..23
[e] or, *humble.*
[f] ver. 19.
[g] 1 Sa. 19. 17. 21. 9. 3. Pr. 12. 19. 17. 7. Ga. 6. 7. Col. 3. 9.
[h] *moist, or, new cords.*
[i] *one.*
[k] *went down.*
[l] ch. 14. 4.
[m] Ec. 7. 26.
[n] *smelleth.* Ps. 58. 9.
[o] Pr. 23. 7. 8. Ese. 33. 31. Lu. 22. 48.
[p] *wherewith work hath not been done.*
[q] ch. 3. 10. 14. 6.
[r] *were melted.*
[s] *moist.*
[t] ch. 3. 31. 1 Sa. 25. 8. Jos. 23. 10.
[u] *an heap, two heaps.*
[v] i.e. *the lifting up of the jaw-bone,* or, *casting away of the jaw-bone.*
[w] Ps. 3. 7.
[x] ch. 14. 16.
[y] or, *Lehi.*
[z] Ge. 45. 27. Is. 40. 29.
[a] i.e. *the well of him that called,* or, *cried.* Ps. 34. 6.
[b] He seems to have judged South-west Israel during twenty years of their servitude of the Philistines
[c] ch. 13. 1.
[d] *shortened.*
[e] Mi. 7. 5.
[f] Nu. 6. 5. Ac. 18. 18.
[g] *a woman an harlot.*
[h] 1 Sa. 23. 26. Ps. 118 10.. 12. Ac. 9. 24.
[i] *silent.*
[k] Ge. 37. 26. Nu. 22. 7. 1 Ki. 21. 20. Mat. 26. 15. Ep. 5. 5.

and went away with them, [u] bar and all, and put *them* upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that *is* before Hebron.

4 ¶ And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman [v] in the valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah.

5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, [w] Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to [x] afflict him: and we will give thee *every* one of us eleven hundred *pieces* of silver.

6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.

7 And Samson said unto her, [y] If they bind me with seven [z] green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as [a] another man.

8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and [b] she bound him with them.

9 Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it [c] toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known.

10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: [d] now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.

11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes [e] that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.

12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread.

13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.

14 And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.

15 ¶ And she said unto him, [f] How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*.

16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, *so* that his soul was [g] vexed unto death;

17 That he [h] told her all his heart, and said unto her, [i] There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man.

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords [k] of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

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19 And [a] she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called *for* a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

20 And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD [d] was departed from him.

21 ¶ But the Philistines took him, and [e] put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass, and he did grind in the prison house.

22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again [f] after he was shaven.

23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together *for* to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to [g] rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand.

24 And when the people saw him, they [f] praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, [§] which slew many of us.

25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were [m] merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made [n]them [m] sport: and they set him between the pillars.

26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.

27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines *were* there; and *there were* upon the [o] roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, [n] remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and [‡] on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30 And Samson said, Let [§] me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with *all his* might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that *were* therein. So [o] the dead which he slew at his death were more than *they* which he slew in his life.

31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought *him* up, and [o] buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the burying-place of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

CHAP. XVII.

AND there was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name *was* Micah.

2 And he said unto his mother, The eleven hundred *shekels* of silver that were taken from thee, about which thou cursedst, and spakest of also in mine ears, behold, the silver *is* with me; I took it. And his mother said, [a] Blessed *be thou* of the LORD, my son.

3 And when he had restored the eleven hundred *shekels* of silver to his mother,

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[a] Pr. 7. 26, 27.
[b] Ex. 20. 4, 23. Le. 19. 4.
[c] Is. 46. 6.
[d] Nu. 14. 9, 42, 43. Jos. 7. 12. 1 Sa. 16. 14. 18. 12. 28. 15, 16.
[e] Ch. 15. 2. Is. 59. 1, 2. Je. 9. 23, 24.
[f] *bored out.*
[g] ch. 8. 27.
[f] Ge. 31. 19, 30. Ho. 3. 4.
[†] *filled the hand of.* Ex. 29. 9. 1 Ki. 13. 33.
[g] De. 28. 5.
[‡] or, *as when he was shaven.*
[h] De. 12. 6.
[i] Jos. 19. 15. Ru. 1. 1, 2.
[j] Mi. 5. 2. Mat. 2. 1, 5, 6
[k] Job 30. 9, 10. Ps. 35. 15, 16.
[l] Da. 5. 4.
[§] *and who multiplied our slain.*
[||] *in making his way.*
[m] ch. 9. 27.
[n] *before them*
[n] Mat. 26. 67, 68. 27. 29. 39, 41. He. 11. 36.
[o] Ge. 45. 8. Job 29. 16.
[†] *an order of garments,* or, *a double suit, &c.*
[p] ver. 5.
[r] ch. 18. 30.
[s] De. 22. 8.
[t] Pr. 14. 12. Is. 44. 20. 65. 3, 4. Mat. 15. 9, 13 Ro. 10. 2, 3.
[u] Je. 15. 15.
[v] ch. 17. 6. 21. 25.
[w] Jos. 19. 47.
[‡] or, *he leaned on them.*
[§] *sons.*
[||] *my soul.*
[o] ch. 13. 25.
[x] Nu. 13. 17. Jos. 2. 1.
[a] Ge. 3. 15. Col. 2. 15. He. 2. 14, 15.
[b] ch. 17. 1.
[c] ch. 13. 25.
[d] He. 4. 8, 9. Mal. 1. 10. Jno. 10 12, 13 Ac. 8. 18. 23 Tit. 1. 11.
[e] 1 Ki. 22. 5. Is. 30. 1.
[d] He. 4. 12.
[f] ver. 14. ch. 17. 5.
[§] 1 Ki. 22. 6.
[h] Ge. 14. 19. Ru. 3. 10.

his mother said, I had wholly dedicated the silver unto the LORD from my hand for my son, to [b] make a graven image and a molten image: now therefore I will restore it unto thee.

4 Yet he restored the money unto his mother; and his mother [c] took two hundred *shekels* of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made thereof a graven image and a molten image: and they were in the house of Micah.

5 And the man Micah had an house of gods, and made an [d] ephod, and [f] teraphim, and [†] consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest.

6 In [g] those days *there was* no king in Israel, [h] *but* every man did *that which was* right in his own eyes.

7 ¶ And there was a young man out of [i] Beth-lehem-judah of the family of Judah, who *was* a Levite, and he sojourned there.

8 And the man departed out of the city from Beth-lehem-judah to sojourn where he could find *a place:* and he came to mount Ephraim to the house of Micah, [‡] as he journeyed.

9 And Micah said unto him, Whence comest thou? And he said unto him, I *am* a Levite of Beth-lehem-judah, and I go to sojourn where I may find *a place.*

10 And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a [e] father and a priest, and I will give thee ten *shekels* of silver by the year, and [†] a suit of apparel, and thy victuals. So the Levite went in.

11 And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young man was unto him as one of his sons.

12 And Micah [f] consecrated the Levite; and the young man [r] became his priest, and was in the house of Micah.

13 Then [s] said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to *my* priest.

CHAP. XVIII.

IN [t] those days *there was* no king in Israel: and in those days [u] the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day *all their* inheritance had not fallen unto them among the tribes of Israel.

2 And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, [§] men of valour, from [w] Zorah, and from Eshtaol, [x] to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the [a] house of Micah, they lodged there.

3 When they *were* by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite: and they turned in thither, and said unto him, Who brought thee hither? and what makest thou in this *place?* and what hast thou here?

4 And he said unto them, Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me, and hath [d] hired me, and I am his priest.

5 And they said unto him, [e] Ask counsel, we pray thee, [f] of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous.

6 And the priest said unto them, [g] Go in peace: before the LORD *is* your way wherein ye go.

7 ¶ Then the five men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people that *were* therein, how they dwelt careless, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure; and *there was* no magis-

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trate[a] in the land, that might put *them* to shame in *any* thing; and they *were* far from the Zidonians, and had no business with *any* man.

8 ¶ And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto them, What *say* ye?

9 And they said, [b] Arise, that we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it *is* very good: and *are* ye [c] still? be not slothful to go, *and* to enter to possess the land.

10 When ye go, ye shall come unto a people [d] secure, and to a large land: for God hath given it into your hands: [e] a place where *there is* no want of any thing that *is* in the earth.

11 ¶ And there went from thence of the family of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men [g] appointed with weapons of war.

12 And they went up, and pitched in [i] Kirjath-jearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place [i] Mahaneh-dan unto this day: behold, *it is* behind Kirjath-jearim.

13 And they passed thence unto mount Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah.

14 ¶ Then [k] answered the five men that went to spy out the country of [l] Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that [q] there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? [r] now therefore consider what ye have to do.

15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young man the Levite, *even* unto the house of Micah, and [s] saluted him.

16 And the six hundred men appointed with their weapons of war, which *were* of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.

17 And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, *and* came in thither, *and* took [t] the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred men *that were* appointed with weapons of war.

18 And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the priest unto them, What do ye?

19 And they said unto him, Hold thy peace, [u] lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, [x] and be to us a father and a priest: *is it* better for thee to be a priest unto the house of *one* man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?

20 And [a] the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.

21 So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the carriage before them.

22 ¶ *And* when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that *were* in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan.

23 And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, that [b] thou comest with such a company?

24 And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: [c] and what have I more? and what *is this that* ye say unto me, What aileth thee?

25 And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest [†] angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy houshold.

26 And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they *were* too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.

27 And they took *the things* which Micah had made, and the priest which he had, [f] and came unto Laish, unto a people *that were* at quiet and secure: [g] and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.

28 And *there was* no deliverer, because it *was* [h] far from Zidon, and they had no business with *any* man; and it was in the valley that *lieth* [k] by Beth-rehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.

29 And [m] they called the name of the city [n] Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city *was* Laish at the first.

30 ¶ And the children of Dan set up the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan [p] until the day of the captivity of the land.

31 And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, [r] all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

CHAP. XIX.

AND it came to pass in those days, [a] when *there was* no king in Israel, that there was a certain Levite sojourning on the side of mount Ephraim, who took to him [‖] a concubine out of [y] Beth-lehem-judah.

2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away from him unto her father's house to Beth-lehem-judah, and was there [e] four whole months.

3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak [†] friendly unto her, *and* to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him into her father's house: and when the father of the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.

4 And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there.

5 ¶ And it came to pass on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said unto his son in law, [‡] Comfort [§] thine heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward go your way.

6 And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them together: for the damsel's father had said unto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and [¶] let thine heart be merry.

7 And when the man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him: therefore he lodged there again.

8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart: and the damsel's father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee. And they tarried [§] until afternoon, and they did eat both of them.

9 And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant,

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[a] *possessor, or, heir of restraint.*
[a] Ps. 115. 8. Je. 50. 36.
[†] *bitter of soul.* 2 Sa. 17. 8.
[b] Nu. 13. 30. Jos. 2. 23, 24.
[c] 1 Ki. 22. 3.
[d] ver. 27.
[e] De. 8. 9.
[f] De. 33. 22.
[g] Jos. 19. 47
[‡] *girded.*
[h] ver. 7.
[i] Jos. 15. 60.
[k] Nu. 13. 21. 2 Sa. 10. 6.
[l] ch. 13. 25.
[m] Jos. 19. 47.
[n] Ge. 14. 14. 1 Ki. 15. 20.
[o] 1 Sa. 14. 28.
[p] Jos. 19. 47, called *Leshem.*
[q] ch. 17. 5.
[r] 1 Sa. 4. 2, 3. 10, 11. Ps. 78. 60, 61.
[s] Pr. 19. 27. Is. 8. 19, 20.
[t] Jos. 18. 1.
[§] *asked him of peace.* Ge. 43. 27. 1 Sa. 17. 22. Lu. 10. 4. c. Joo. 14. 27.
[u] ch. 18. 1. 21. 25.
[‖] *a woman a concubine, or, a wife a concubine.*
[e] ch. 17. 7.
[x] ch. 17. 4, 5.
[a] *days four months,* or, *a year and four months*
[†] *to her heart.* Ge. 34. 3.
[y] Job 21. 5. 29. 9. 40. 4. Pr. 30. 32. Mi. 7. 16.
[z] ch. 17. 10.
[a] Pr. 30. 15. Is. 56. 11. Eze. 13. 19. Ho. 4. 3. Ac. 20. 33. 2 Pe 2. 3, 15, 16.
[‡] *Strengthen*
[b] Ge. 18. 5.
[c] Ge. 43. 34.
[§] *till the day declined.*
[‖] *thou art gathered together?*

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his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, Behold, now [a] the day [*] draweth toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, [†] the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry; and [c] to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest go [‡] home.

10 But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came [§] over against [d] Jebus, which *is* Jerusalem; and *there were* with him two asses saddled, his concubine also *was* with him.

11 *And* when they *were* by Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let us turn in into this city [e] of the Jebusites, and lodge in it.

12 And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside hither into the city [f] of a stranger, that *is* not of the children of Israel; we will pass over [§] to Gibeah.

13 And he said unto his servant, Come, and let us draw near to one of these places to lodge all night, in Gibeah, or in [i] Ramah.

14 And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them *when they were* by Gibeah, which *belongeth* to Benjamin.

15 And they turned aside thither, to go in *and* to lodge in Gibeah: and when he went in, he sat him down in a street of the city: for *there was* no man that [k] took them into his house to lodging.

16 ¶ And, behold, there came an old man from [l] his work out of the field at even, which *was* also of mount Ephraim; and he sojourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place *were* Benjamites.

17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he saw a wayfaring man in the street of the city: and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and whence comest thou?

18 And he said unto him, We *are* passing from Beth-lehem-judah toward the side of mount Ephraim; from thence *am* I: and I went to Beth-lehem-judah, but I *am now* going to [e] the house of the LORD; and there *is* no man that [*] receiveth me to house.

19 Yet there is both straw and provender for our asses; and there is bread and wine also for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young man *which is* with thy servants: *there is* no want of any thing.

20 And the old man said, [n] Peace *be* with thee; howsoever [§] *let* all thy wants *lie* upon me; [o] only lodge not in the street.

21 So [k] he brought him into his house, and gave provender unto the asses: [q] and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink.

22 ¶ *Now* as they were making their hearts merry, behold, *the men* of the city, *certain* [k] sons of Belial, beset the house round about, *and* beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, [k] Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.

23 And [m] the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, *nay*, I pray you, do not *so* wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine house, [n] do not this folly.

24 Behold, [*] *here is* my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not [‡] so vile a thing.

25 But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they [k] knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go.

26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord *was*, till it was light.

27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down *at* the door of the house, and her hands *were* upon the threshold.

28 And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But [f] none answered. Then the man took her *up* upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place.

29 ¶ And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and [k] divided her, *together* with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.

30 And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, [k] take advice, and speak *your minds*.

CHAP. XX.

THEN [m] all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as one man, from [a] Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead, unto the LORD [p] in Mizpeh.

2 And the chief of all the people, *even* of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselves in the assembly of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen [r] that drew sword.

3 (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpeh.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell *us*, how was this wickedness?

4 And [‖] the Levite, the husband of the woman that was slain, answered and said, [t] I came into Gibeah that *belongeth* to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge.

5 And [m] the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by night, *and* thought to have slain me: [v] and my concubine have they [†] forced, that she is dead.

6 And [a] I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they [d] have committed lewdness and folly in Israel.

7 Behold, ye *are* all children of Israel; [e] give here your advice and counsel.

8 ¶ And all the people arose [f] as one man, saying, [i] We will not any *of us* go to his tent, neither will we any *of us* turn into his house.

9 But now this *shall be* the thing which we will do to Gibeah; *we will go up* [i] by lot against it;

10 And we will take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the people, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel.

11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, [k] knit together as one man.

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[a] Lu. 24. 29.
[*] *is weak.*
[b] Ge. 4. 1.
[†] It is *the pitching time of the day.*
[c] Pr. 27. 1. Ja. 4. 13, 14.
[‡] *to thy tent.*
[§] *to over against.*
[d] Jos. 18. 28.
[e] 2 Sa. 5. 6.
[f] 1 Ki. 18. 29.
[§] Jos. 18. 28.
[h] 1 Sa. 11. 7.
[i] Jos. 18. 25.
[k] ch. 20. 7. Pr. 13. 10.
[l] Mat. 25. 43. He. 13. 2.
[m] ch. 21. 5. De. 13. 12. Jos. 22. 12.
[n] Ge. 3. 19. Ps. 104. 23.
[o] ch. 18. 29. 1 Sa. 3. 20. 2 Sa. 3. 10. 24. 2.
[p] Ju. 10. 17. 11. 11. 1 Sa. 7. 5. 10. 17.
[r] ch. 8. 10.
[s] ch. 18. 31. 20. 18. Jos. 18. 1. 1 Sa. 1. 3, 7.
[‖] *the man the Levite.*
[*] *gathereth.* ver. 15.
[t] ch. 19. 15.
[u] ch. 19. 22.
[v] ch. 19. 25, 26.
[x] ch. 6. 23. Ge. 43. 23. 1 Co. 1. 3.
[†] *humbled.*
[y] Ro. 12. 13. Ja. 2. 15, 16. 1 Pe. 4. 9.
[z] ch. 19. 29.
[a] Ge. 19. 2.
[b] Ge. 34. 32. 43. 34.
[c] Ge. 18. 4. Jno. 13. 5.
[d] Jos. 7. 15.
[e] ch. 19. 30.
[f] ch. 20. 5. Ge. 19. 4. Ho. 9. 9. 10. 9.
[§] 2 Sa. 19. 14. Esr. 3. 1. Ne. 8. 1.
[h] De. 13. 13. 2 Sa. 23. 6, 7. 2 Co. 6. 15.
[i] Pr. 21. 3. Ec. 9. 10. Ge. 4. 18.
[k] Ge. 19. 5. Ro. 1. 26, 27.
[l] 1 Sa. 14. 41, 42. Pr. 16. 33. Jon. 1. 7.
[m] Ge. 19. 6, 7.
[n] 2 Sa. 13. 12.
[o] Ge. 19. 8.
[‡] *the matter of this folly*
[§] *fellows.*

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12 ¶ And [a] the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness *is* this that is done among you?

13 Now therefore deliver *us* the men, [c] the children of Belial, which *are* in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and [d] put away evil from Israel. But the children of Benjamin [e] would not hearken to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel:

14 But the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of the cities unto Gibeah, to go out to battle against the children of Israel.

15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered at that time out of the cities twenty and six thousand men that drew sword, beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbered seven hundred chosen men.

16 Among all this people *there were* seven hundred chosen men *f* lefthanded; every one could sling stones at an hair *breadth*, and not miss.

17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin, were numbered four hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these *were* men of war.

18 ¶ And the children of Israel arose, and [h] went up to the house of God, and [i] asked counsel of God, and said, Which of us shall go up first to the battle against the children of Benjamin? And the LORD said, Judah *shall go up* first.

19 And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah.

20 And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin; and the men of Israel put themselves in array to fight against them at Gibeah.

21 And [m] the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and [n] destroyed down to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men.

22 And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day.

23 (And [o] the children of Israel went up and wept before the LORD until even, and asked counsel of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up again to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother? And the LORD said, Go up against him.)

24 And the children of Israel came near against the children of Benjamin the second day.

25 And Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second day, [p] and destroyed down to the ground of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men; all these drew the sword.

26 [q] Then all the children of Israel, and all the people, [r] went up, and came unto the house of God, and [s] wept, and sat there before the LORD, and fasted that day until even, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for [t] the ark of the covenant of God *was* there in those days,

28 And Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, [u] stood before it in those days,) saying, Shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother, or shall I cease? And the LORD said, Go up; for to morrow I will deliver them into thine hand.

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[a] De. 13. 14. Jos. 22. 13, 16 Mat. 18. 15. 18. Ro. 12. 18.
[b] Jos. 8. 4. 2 Sa. 5. 23.
[c] ch. 19. 22. De. 13. 13.
[d] De. 17. 12. Ez. 11. 10. Ro. 1. 32. Re. 18. 4, 5.
[e] 1 Sa. 2. 25. 2 Ch. 25. 16, 20. Pr. 29. 1. Ho. 9. 9. 10. 9.
[f] *to smite of the people wounded as at, &c.*
† or, *Beth-el.*
[f] ch. 3. 15. 1 Ch. 12. 2.
[g] Jos. 8. 14. Pr. 4. 19. 29. 6. Ec. 8. 11, 12. 9. 12. Is. 3. 11. 47. 11. Lu. 21. 34, 35 1 Th. 5. 3.
[h] Joel 1. 14.
[i] ch. 1. 1. Nu. 27. 21.
[k] Jos. 8. 15.
[l] Jos. 8. 19.
‡ or, *made a long* sound with the trumpets. Jos. 6. 5.
[m] Ge. 49. 27.
§ or, *time.*
[n] De. 23. 9. 2 Ch. 28. 10. Ps. 33. 16. 77. 19. Ec. 9. 1...3. Je. 12. 1.
‖ *with elevation.*
• *to smite the wounded.*
[o] Ps. 78. 34...36 Ho. 5. 15.
[p] Jos. 8. 20.
‡ *the whole consumption.*
[r] Is. 13. 8. 33. 14. Re. 18. 8...10
§ *touched them.*
[s] Ge. 18. 25. Job 9. 12, 13. Ps. 97. 2. Ro. 11. 33.
[t] Le. 1. 3. Ho. 9. 9.
[u] ver. 18.
• 1 Sa. 7. 6. 2 Ch. 20. 3. Joel 2. 12.. 18. Jon. 3. 5...10.
‖ or, *from Menuchah, &c.*
• *unto over against.*
[x] Jos. 18. 1. 1 Sa. 4. 3, 4.
[y] De. 10. 8. 18. 5.

29 And Israel [b] set liers in wait round about Gibeah.

30 And the children of Israel went up against the children of Benjamin on the third day, and put themselves in array against Gibeah, as at other times.

31 And the children of Benjamin went out against the people, *and* were drawn away from the city; and they began [e] to smite of the people, *and* kill, as at other times, in the highways, of which one goeth up to † the house of God, and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty men of Israel.

32 And the children of Benjamin said, They *are* smitten down before us, as at the first. But the children of Israel said, Let us flee, and draw them from the city unto the highways.

33 And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and put themselves in array at Baal-tamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out of their places, *even* out of the meadows of Gibeah.

34 And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore: [g] but they knew not that evil *was* near them.

35 And the LORD smote Benjamin before Israel: and the children of Israel destroyed of the Benjamites that day twenty and five thousand and an hundred men: all these drew the sword.

36 So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: [k] *for* the men of Israel gave place to the Benjamites, because they trusted unto the liers in wait which they had set beside Gibeah.

37 And [l] the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait drew *themselves* along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword.

38 Now there was an appointed § sign between the men of Israel and the liers in wait, that they should make a great • flame with smoke rise up out of the city.

39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battle, Benjamin began † to smite *and* kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they said, Surely they are smitten down before us, as *in* the first battle.

40 But when the flame began to arise up out of the city with a pillar of smoke the Benjamites [p] looked behind them, and, behold, the flame of the city ascended up to heaven.

41 And when the men of Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin [r] were amazed: for they saw that evil § was come upon them.

42 Therefore they turned *their backs* before the men of Israel unto the way of the wilderness; but [t] the battle overtook them; and them which *came* out of the cities they destroyed in the midst of them.

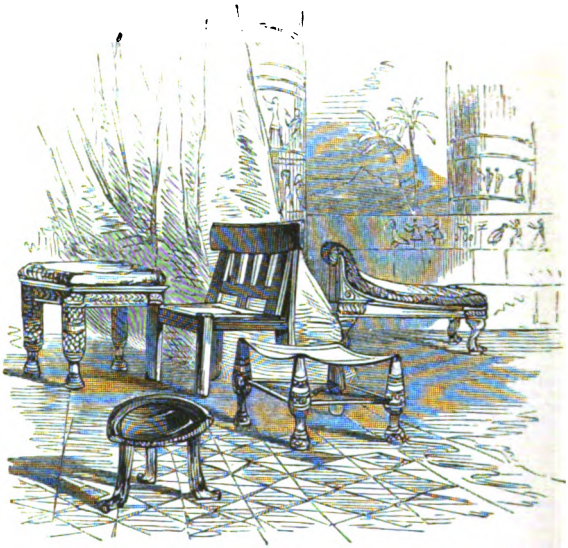
43 *Thus* they inclosed the Benjamites round about, *and* chased them, *and* trode them down ‖ with ease • over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.

44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these were men of valour.

45 And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men; and pursued hard after them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.

46 So that all which fell that day of

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Benjamin were twenty and five thousand men that drew the sword; all these *were* men of valour.

47 But [b] six hundred men turned and fled to the wilderness unto the rock Rimmon, and abode in the rock Rimmon four months.

48 And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword, as well the men of *every* city, as the beast, and all that [†] came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities that [‖] they came to.

CHAP. XXI.

NOW [c] the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpeh, saying, There shall not any of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to wife.

2 And the people came [d] to the house of God, and abode there till even before God, and lifted up their voices, and wept sore;

3 And said, O LORD God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that there should be to day one tribe lacking in Israel?

4 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people rose early, and [e] built there an altar, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings.

5 And the children of Israel said, Who *is there* among all the tribes of Israel that came not up with the congregation unto the LORD? [f] For they had made a great oath concerning him that came not up to the LORD to Mizpeh, saying, He shall surely be put to death.

6 And the children of Israel repented them for Benjamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day.

7 How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we have sworn by the LORD that we will not give them of our daughters to wives?

8 ¶ And they said, What one *is there* of the tribes of Israel that came not up to Mizpeh to the LORD? And, behold, there came none to the camp from [g] Jabeshgilead to the assembly.

9 For the people were numbered, and, behold, *there were* none of the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead there.

10 And the congregation sent thither twelve thousand men of the valiantest, and commanded them, saying, [h] Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.

11 And this is the thing that ye shall do, [i] Ye shall utterly destroy every male, and every woman that [‖] hath lain by man.

12 And they found among the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead four hundred [*] young virgins, that had known no man by lying with any male: and they brought them unto the camp to [m] Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan.

13 And the whole congregation sent *some* [†] to speak to the children of Benjamin [n] that *were* in the rock Rimmon, and to [‡] call peaceably unto them.

14 And Benjamin came again at that time; and they gave them wives which they had saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead: and yet so they sufficed them not.

15 And the people [o] repented them for Benjamin, because that the LORD had made a breach in the tribes of Israel.

16 ¶ Then the elders of the congregation said, How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin?

17 And they said, *There must be* an inheritance for them that be escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.

18 Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: [§] for the children of Israel have sworn, saying, Cursed *be* he that giveth a wife to Benjamin.

19 Then they said, Behold, *there is* a feast of the LORD in Shiloh [*] yearly *in a place* which *is* on the north side of Beth-el, [†] on the east side [‡] of the highway that goeth up from Beth-el to Shechem, and on the south of Lebonah.

20 Therefore they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go and lie in wait in the vineyards;

21 And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out [k] to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.

22 And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come unto us to complain, that we will say unto them, [§] Be favourable unto them for our sakes: because we reserved not to [m] each man his wife in the war: for ye did not give unto them at this time, *that* ye should be guilty.

23 And the children of Benjamin did so, and took *them* wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and [o] repaired the cities, and dwelt in them.

24 And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from thence every man to his inheritance.

25 In [r] those days *there was* no king in Israel: [s] every man did *that which was* right in his own eyes.

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[*] *young women virgins.*
[a] Jos. 18. 1.
[b] ch. 21. 13. Ps. 103. 9, 10. Is. 1. 9. Je. 14. 7. La. 3. 22. Hab. 3. 2.
[†] *and spake and called.*
[c] ch. 20. 47. Jos. 15. 32. 1 Ch. 5. 77. Zec. 14. 10.
[‡] or, *proclaim peace* De. 20. 10.
[§] *was found*
[‖] *were found*
[d] 2 Sa. 2. 26. Ho. 11. 8.
[e] ch. 20. 1. Ec. 5. 2. Mat. 14. 7. Rev. 10. 2.
[f] ch. 20. 18, 35.
[g] ch. 11. 35.
[h] 2 Sa. 24. 25.
[i] *from year to year.*
[†] or, *toward the sunrising.*
[‡] or, *on.*
[k] ch. 5. 23.
[l] 1 Sa. 18. 6. Ec. 3. 4. Je. 31. 13. La. 5. 15.
[§] or, *Gratify us in them.* Phile. 9. 12.
[m] 1 Sa. 11. 1. 31. 11.
[m] 1 Co. 7. 2.
[n] ver. 5. ch. 5. 23. 1 Sa. 11. 7.
[o] ch. 20. 48.
[p] Nu. 31. 17.
[‖] *knoweth the lying with man.*
[r] ch. 17. 6.
[s] De 12. 8. Ps. 12. 4. Pr. 14. 12. Ec. 11. 9. Mi. 2. 1, 2.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS

ANCIENT EASTERN SEATS. The ancients were not universally accustomed to sit on their hams on the ground floor, with their legs crossed. This custom, in the East, is comparatively modern, and the mat or carpet superseded the more elevated seat. The ancients had seats more or less like our chairs, and often raised so high as to require a footstool. These were, however, considered as a piece of splendour. The Persian carvings at Persepolis frequently exhibit a venerable personage sitting in a sort of high-raised chair, with a footstool, but the later sovereigns of that country have sat on the floor, like their subjects. Eli was seated on a high seat when he fell and broke his neck. The mention of a *stool* in the chamber which the Shunammites fitted up for the prophet (2 Kings iv. 10) is, according to our notions, a mark of plainness and simplicity, it being the least honourable among seats; but the original does not justify the rendering, which should rather be 'a seat,' for the Shunammites meant to express her respect for the prophet by the kind of seat she had prepared him.

GAZA is on the sea coast, in the country formerly belonging to the Philistines. The modern town is more distant from the sea than the ancient. Its population is variously computed at from three to ten thousands; it probably varies from the plague. Here the prophecies respecting its future desolation are remarkably fulfilled, for its fertile country is now a heap of sand: see Isa. xxiv. 4, 6; Jer. xlvii. 5; Eze. xxv. 17; Zep. ii. 4; Acts viii. 26.

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The Book of RUTH.

So named from the principal subject of it. An appendix to Judges, and introduction to Samuel.

CHAP. I.

NOW it came to pass in the days when the judges † ruled, that there was [a] a famine in the land. And a certain man of [b] Beth-lehem-judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons.

2 And the name of the man *was* Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, *f* Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah. And they came [c] into the country of Moab, and ‖ continued there.

3 And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons.

4 And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one *was* Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.

5 And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was left of her two sons and her husband.

6 ¶ Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had [d] visited his people in [m] giving them bread.

7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.

8 And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, [n] Go, return each to her mother's house: [o] the LORD deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with [e] the dead, and with me.

9 The LORD grant you that ye may find [p] rest, each *of you* in the house of her husband. Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice, and wept.

10 And they said unto her, Surely we will return with thee unto thy people.

11 And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me? *are* there yet *any more* sons in my womb, [q] that they may be your husbands?

12 Turn again, my daughters, go *your way;* for I am too old to have an husband. If I should say, I have hope, † *if* I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;

13 Would ye ‡ tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from having husbands? nay, my daughters; for § it grieveth me much for your sakes that [r] the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.

14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth [s] clave unto her.

15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto [t] her gods: [u] return thou after thy sister in law.

16 And Ruth said, ‖ Intreat me not [v] to leave thee, *or* to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: *f* thy people *shall be* my people, and thy God my God:

17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: [h] the LORD do so to me, and more also, *if ought* but death part thee and me.

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[a] Ac. 21. 14.
[b] *strengthened herself.*
† *judged.*
[c] Ge. 12. 10. 26. 1. 2 Ki. 8. 1.
[d] Ju. 17. 8.
[e] Mat. 21. 10.
[m] Is. 23. 7. Lu. 2. 15.
‡ i. e. *pleasant.*
§ i. e. *bitter.*
[f] Ge. 35. 19.
[g] Ju. 5. 30.
[h] Job 1. 21.
‖ *were.*
[i] ch. 2. 23. Ex. 2. 31, 32. 2 Sa. 21. 9.
[k] ch. 3. 2, 12.
[l] Ex. 4. 31.
[m] Lu. 1. 68. Ps. 132. 15. Mat. 6. 11.
[n] ch. 4. 21. Mat. 1. 5, called *Boaz.*
[o] Ju. 19. 9. De. 24. 19.
[p] Jos. 24. 15.
[q] 2 Ti. 1. 16. 18.
[r] 2 Ki. 6. 5. Ex. 6. 1, 2. Mat. 10. 29. Lu. 10. 31.
[s] ch. 2. 20.
[t] *hap happened.*
[u] ch. 3. 1.
[v] Ps. 129. 7, 8. Lu. 1. 28. 2 Th. 3. 16.
[x] Ge. 38. 11.
[y] ch. 1. 22.
† or, if *I were with an husband.*
‡ *hope.*
§ *I have much bitterness.*
[z] Job 19. 21. Ps. 32. 4. 38. 2. 39. 9, 10.
[a] Pr. 17. 17. 18. 24.
[b] Ju. 11. 24.
[c] Lu. 24. 26.
[d] 1 Sa. 25. 33.
‖ or, *Be not against me*
[e] 2 Ki. 2. 2, 4, 6.
[f] ch. 2. 11, 12.
[g] ch. 1. 14, 16, 17.
[h] 1 Sa. 3. 17. 25. 22. 2 Sa. 19. 13. 2 Ki. 6. 31.

18 When [e] she saw that she [g] was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

19 ¶ So they two went until they came to Beth-lehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Beth-lehem, that [d] all the city was moved about them, and they said, [i] *Is* this Naomi?

20 And she said unto them, Call me not ‡ Naomi, call me § Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

21 I went out full, [k] and the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why *then* call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?

22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Beth-lehem [l] in the beginning of barley harvest.

CHAP. II.

AND Naomi had a [a] kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name *was* [m] Boaz.

2 And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and [n] glean ears of corn after *him* in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

3 And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and [o] her [o] hap was to light on a part of the field *belonging* unto Boaz, who *was* of the kindred of Elimelech.

4 ¶ And, behold, Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the reapers, [p] The LORD *be* with you. And they answered him, The LORD bless thee.

5 Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel *is* this?

6 And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It *is* the Moabitish damsel [y] that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:

7 And she said, I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so she came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, that she tarried a little in the house.

8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens:

9 *Let* thine eyes *be* on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of *that* which the young men have drawn.

10 Then she [d] fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I *am* a stranger?

11 And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, [g] all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and *how* thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and

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art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore.

12 The [b] LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, [c] under whose wings thou art come to trust.

13 Then she said, [d] Let [e] me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken [†] friendly unto thine handmaid, [f] though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens.

14 And Boaz said unto her, At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched *corn*, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left.

15 And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her glean *even* among the sheaves, and [‡] reproach her not:

16 And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave *them*, that she may glean *them*, and rebuke her not.

17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley.

18 ¶ And she took *it* up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had [g] reserved after she was sufficed.

19 And her mother in law said unto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did [h] take knowledge of thee. And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, The man's name with whom I wrought to day *is* Boaz.

20 And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, [i] Blessed *be* he of the LORD, who [k] hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man *is* near of kin unto us, [l] one [m] of our next kinsmen.

21 And Ruth the Moabitess said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest.

22 And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, *It is* good, my daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they [‡] meet thee not in any other field.

23 So [n] she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

CHAP. III.

THEN Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, [a] shall I not seek rest for thee, [b] that it may be well with thee?

2 And now *is* not Boaz of our kindred, [c] with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.

3 Wash thyself therefore, [d] and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee down to the floor: *but* make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.

4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and [e] uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.

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[a] Es. 20. 12. Pr. 1. 8. Ep. 6. 1..3.
[b] 1 Sa. 24. 19.
[c] Ps. 17. 8. 36. 7. 57. 1. 63. 7.
[d] Ju. 19. 6, 9, 22. 2 Sa. 13. 28. Es. 1. 10.
[e] or, *I find favour.*
[f] Ge. 33. 15. 1 Sa. 1. 18.
[†] *to the heart* Ge. 34. 3. Ju. 19. 3.
[‡] or, *took hold on.*
[f] 1 Sa. 25. 41.
[g] Ru. 2. 18.
[‡] *shame her not.*
[h] *gate.*
[m] Pr. 12. 4.
[n] ch. 4. 1.
[o] De. 25. 5. Mat. 22. 24.
[p] Jno. 8. 12, 13. 1 Ti. 5. 4.
[r] Ju. 8. 19. Je. 4. 2. 2 Co. 1. 23. He. 6. 16.
[s] Ps. 41. 1. 2 Co. 9. 13.
[t] Ro. 12. 17. 14. 16. 1 Co. 10. 32. 2 Co. 8. 21. 1 Th. 5. 22.
[‡] or, *sheet*, or, *apron.*
[u] 2 Sa. 2. 5. Job 29. 13.
[v] Pr. 17. 17. Phi. 4. 10.
[‡] or, *one that hath right to redeem.* Le. 25. 25.
[w] ch. 3. 9.
[x] Ps. 37. 3, 5. Is. 30. 7.
[§] or, *fall not upon thee.*
[a] Pr. 6. 6..8. 13. 20. 1 Co. 15. 33.
[a] ch. 3. 12.
[b] 1 Co. 7. 35. 1 Ti. 3. 8.
[c] Ge. 40. 14. De. 4. 40. Ps. 128. 2.
[d] 1 Ki. 21. 8. Pr. 31. 23.
[e] ch. 2. 8.
[f] 2 Sa. 14. 2. Ps. 104. 15. Ec. 9. 8.
[‖] *I said I will reveal in thine ear*
[g] Je. 32. 7, 8.
[h] Ge. 23. 18.
[e] or, *lift up the clothes that are on his feet.*
[i] Le. 25. 25.

6 ¶ And she went down unto the floor, [e] and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his [d] heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

8 ¶ And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and [‡] turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.

9 And he said, Who *art* thou? And she answered, I *am* Ruth thine handmaid: [f] spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou *art* [§] a [h] near kinsman.

10 And he said, [i] Blessed *be* thou of the LORD, my daughter: *for* thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than [k] at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.

11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the [e] city of my people doth know that thou *art* [m] a virtuous woman.

12 And now it is true that I *am* thy near kinsman: howbeit [n] there is a kinsman nearer than I.

13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, *that* if he will [o] perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, [r] *as* the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning.

14 ¶ And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could know another. And he said, [s] Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.

15 Also he said, Bring the [†] vail that *thou hast* upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it, he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid *it* on her: and she went into the city.

16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who *art* thou, my daughter? And she told her all that the man had done to her.

17 And she said, These six *measures* of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.

18 Then said she, [t] Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

CHAP. IV.

THEN went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, [a] the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down.

2 And he took ten men of [d] the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat down.

3 And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land, which *was* our brother Elimelech's:

4 And ‖ I thought to advertise thee, saying, [f] Buy *it* [h] before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem *it*, redeem *it*: but if thou wilt not redeem *it*, *then* tell me, that I may know; [i] for *there is* none to redeem *it* beside thee; and I *am* after thee. And he said, I will redeem *it*.

5 Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest

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the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy *it* also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, [b] to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance.

6 ¶ And [c] the kinsman said, I cannot redeem *it* for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem *it*.

7 Now [d] this *was the manner* in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave *it* to his neighbour: and this *was* a testimony in Israel.

8 Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy *it* for thee. So he drew off his shoe.

9 ¶ And Boaz said unto the elders, and *unto* all the people, Ye *are* witnesses this day, that I have bought all that *was* Elimelech's, and all that *was* Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, [e] that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye *are* witnesses this day.

11 And all the people that *were* in the gate, and the elders, said, *We are* witnesses. [f] The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and [g] do thou worthily in [†] Ephratah, and [†] be famous in Beth-lehem:

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[a] Ge. 38. 29.
[b] Ge. 38. 8. De. 25. 5, 6. Mat. 22. 24.
[c] ch. 3. 12, 13.
[d] De. 25. 7, 9. [e] Ro. 12. 15.
[e] *caused to cease unto thee.*
† or, *redeemer.*
‡ *to nourish.* Ge. 45. 11. Ps. 55. 22.
§ *thy gray hairs.*
[f] 1 Sa. 1. 8.
[g] Lu. 1. 58, 59.
[h] De. 25. 6. Is. 48. 19. 1 Ch. 2. 4, &c
[i] Nu. 1. 7. [k] Ps. 127. 3. 128. 3.
‖ or, *Salmah*
[o] or, *get thee riches,* or, *power.*
[l] Ge. 35. 16, 19
† *proclaim* thy *name.*
[m] 1 Ch. 2. 15. Mat. 1. 6.

12 And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, [a] whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman.

13 ¶ So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son.

14 And [e] the women said unto Naomi, Blessed *be* the LORD, which hath not [e] left thee this day without a † kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.

15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of *thy* life, and ‡ a nourisher of § thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is [f] better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.

16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.

17 And [g] the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he *is* the father of Jesse, the father of David.

18 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Pharez: [i] Pharez begat Hezron,

19 And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab,

20 And Amminadab begat [j] Nahshon, and Nahshon begat ‖ Salmon,

21 And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,

22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat [m] David.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

BINDING WHEAT SHEAVES. The reapers in Palestine and Syria make use of the sickle in cutting down their crops, and, according to the present custom in this country, fill their hand with the corn, and those who bind up the sheaves their bosom, Ps. cxxix. 7; Ruth ii. 14. When the crop is thin and short, which is generally the case in light soils, and with their imperfect cultivating, it is not reaped with the sickle, but plucked up by the root with the hand. The reapers go to the field very early in the morning, and return home betimes in the afternoon. They carry provisions along with them, and leathern bottles, or dried bottle gourds, filled with water. They are followed by their own children, or by others, who glean with much success; for a great quantity of corn is scattered in the reaping, and in their manner of carrying it. The greater part of these circumstances are discernible in the manners of the ancient Israelites. Ruth had not proposed to Naomi, her mother-in-law, to go to the field, and glean after the reapers, nor had the servant of Boaz, to whom she applied for leave, so readily granted her request, if gleaning had not been a common practice in that country. When Boaz inquired who she was, his overseer, after informing him, observes, that she came out to the field in the morning; and that the reapers left the field early in the afternoon, as Dr. Russell states, is evident from this circumstance, that Ruth had time to beat out her gleanings before evening. They carried water and provisions with them; for Boaz invited her to come and drink of the water which the young men had drawn, and at meal time to eat of her bread, and dip her morsel in the vinegar. And so great was the simplicity of manners in that part of the world, and in those times, that Boaz himself, although a prince of high rank in Judah, sat down to dinner in the field with his reapers, and helped Ruth with his own hand. It appears from the beautiful story of Ruth, that in Palestine the women lent their assistance in cutting down and gathering in the harvest; for Boaz commands her to keep fast by his maidens. The women in Syria shared also in the labours of the harvest, for Dr. Russell informs us they sung the Ziralest, or song of thanks, when the passing stranger accepted their present of a handful of corn, and made a suitable return. It was another custom among the Jews to set a confidential servant over the reapers, to see that they executed their work properly, that they had suitable provisions, and to pay them their wages: the Chaldees call him Rab, the master, ruler, or governor of the reapers. Such was the person who directed the labours of the reapers in the field of Boaz. The right of the poor in Israel to glean after the reapers was secured by a positive law, couched in these words: "And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I am the Lord your God," Lev. xix. 9, 10. It is the opinion of some writers, that, although the poor were allowed the liberty of gleaning, the Israelitish proprietors were not obliged to admit them immediately into the field, as soon as the reapers had cut down the corn, and bound it up in sheaves, but when it was carried off; they might choose also among the poor whom they thought most deserving, or most necessitous. These opinions receive some countenance, from the request which Ruth presented to the servant of Boaz, to permit her to glean "among the sheaves;" and from the charge of Boaz to his young men, "let her glean among the sheaves"—a mode of speaking which seems to insinuate that, though they could not legally hinder Ruth from gleaning in the field, they had a right, if they chose to exercise it, to prohibit her from gleaning among the sheaves, or immediately after the reapers. See chap. ii.

COUNCIL AT THE GATE. Gates of cities, being places of resort, were used as courts of justice, and are repeatedly mentioned as such in Scripture. In the absence or scanty use of written documents, witnesses and auditors were thus easily secured, and confidence in the integrity of the magistrate was ensured by the publicity of the proceedings. There was within the gate a particular place where the judges sat on chairs, and this custom must be understood as referred to, when we read that courts were held under the gates: see 1 Kings xxii. 10; 2 Chron. xviii. 9. This custom prevails to the present day among other Oriental nations, as in the kingdom of Morocco. The same has been the practice of the Abyssinians and the Hindoos, and was common among the ancients of other countries. Gates were also used by prophets and priests for giving religious addresses, Prov. i. 21; viii. 3; for places of conversation, Ps. lxix. 13; for mercantile transactions, 2 Kings vii. 1; and for other purposes. See chap. iv.

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BINDING WHEAT SHEAVES.—*Chambeaud.*—Ruth ii.



COUNCIL AT THE GATE.—*Composition.*—Ruth iv. 1.

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The First Book of SAMUEL, otherwise called, The First Book of the KINGS.

Containing the history of the Jewish church and nation during the times of Samuel, to the death of Saul.

CHAP. I.

NOW there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name *was* [a] Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, [a] an Ephrathite:

2 And he had two wives; the name of the one *was* Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3 And this man went up out of his city [†] yearly [d] to worship [e] and to sacrifice unto the LORD of hosts in [f] Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD, *were* there.

4 ¶ And when the time was that Elkanah [g] offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions:

5 But unto Hannah he gave [§] a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: [h] but the LORD had shut up her womb.

6 And her adversary also [¶] provoked [i] her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.

7 And *as* he did so year by year, [*] when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.

8 Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? *am* not I [*] better to thee than ten sons?

9 ¶ So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.

10 And she *was* in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore.

11 And she [l] vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed [m] look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid [n] a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and [o] there shall no razor come upon his head.

12 And it came to pass, as she [*] continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.

13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.

15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I *am* a woman [†] of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have [f] poured out my soul before the LORD.

16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my [§] complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.

17 Then Eli answered and said, [l] Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant *thee* thy petition that thou hast asked of him.

18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman [a] went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more *sad*.

19 ¶ And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.

20 Wherefore it came to pass, [*] when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name [†] Samuel, *saying*, Because I have asked him of the LORD.

21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.

22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, *I will not go up* until the child be weaned, and *then* I will [k] bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide [i] for ever.

23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou have weaned him; [m] only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.

24 ¶ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto [n] the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child *was* young.

25 And they slew a bullock, and [p] brought the child to Eli.

26 And she said, Oh my lord, [r] *as* thy soul liveth, my lord, I *am* the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.

27 For [s] this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of him:

28 Therefore also I have [t] lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth [§] he shall be lent to the LORD. And he [u] worshipped the LORD there.

CHAP. II.

AND Hannah [x] prayed, and said, [y] My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, [z] mine horn is exalted in the LORD; my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I [b] rejoice in thy salvation.

2 *There* [c] *is* none holy as the LORD: for *there is* [d] none beside thee: neither *is there* any rock like our God.

3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; [e] let *not* [†] arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD *is* a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

4 The bows of the mighty men *are* broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.

5 *They* [g] *that were* full have hired out themselves for bread; and *they that were* hungry ceased: so that [h] the barren hath born seven; and [i] she that hath many children is waxed feeble.

6 The [k] LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.

7 The LORD [m] maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.

8 He [n] raiseth up the poor out of the

B. C. 1171.

[a] Ec. 9. 7.
[b] 1 Ch. 6. 27, 34
[c] Ru. 1. 2.
[*] *in revolution of days*
[†] i. e. *asked of God.*
[‡] *from year to year.*
[d] Ex. 23. 14. Lu. 2. 41.
[e] De. 12. 5. 7.
[f] Jos. 18. 1.
[g] De. 16. 11.
[h] Lu. 2. 22.
[§] or, *a double portion.*
[i] Ex. 21. 6.
[k] Ge. 30. 2.
[‖] *angered her.*
[l] Job 34. 21.
[m] 2 Sa. 7. 25.
[*] *from her going up,* or, *from the time that she, &c*
[n] Jos. 18. 1.
[o] Ru. 4. 15.
[p] Lu. 2. 22.
[r] Ge. 42. 15. 2 Ki. 2. 2, 4, 6.
[s] Mat. 7. 7.
[†] *bitter of.*
[t] 2 Sa. 17. 8.
[‡] Ge. 28. 20.
[‡] or, *returned him, whom I have obtained by petition, to the LORD.*
[§] or, *he whom I have obtained by petition shall be returned.*
[u] Ps. 25. 18.
[*] Ge. 24. 26, 52
[‖] *seed of men*
[x] Phi. 4. 6.
[y] Lu. 1. 46, &c
[z] Nu. 6. 5.
[a] Ps. 92. 10.
[*] *multiplied to pray.*
[b] Ps. 9. 14.
[c] Ex. 15. 11. Ps. 86. 8.
[d] 2 Sa. 22. 32.
[e] Jude 15.
[†] *hard.*
[‡] *hard of spirit.*
[f] Ps. 62. 8.
[g] Ps. 34. 10. Lu. 1. 53.
[h] Ps. 113. 9.
[i] Is. 54. 1. Je. 15. 9.
[§] or, *meditation.*
[k] Job 5. 18.
[l] Lu. 7. 50.
[m] Job 1. 21.
[n] De. 4. 17. Lu. 1. 52.

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dust, *and* lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, [b] to set *them* among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for [c] the pillars of the earth *are* the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them.

9 He [d] will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.

11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto the LORD before Eli the priest.

12 ¶ Now the sons of Eli *were* sons of Belial; [e] they knew not the LORD.

13 And the priest's custom with the people *was*, *that*, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a flesh-hook of three teeth in his hand;

14 And he struck *it* into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the flesh-hook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither.

15 Also before they [f] burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw.

16 And *if* any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat † presently, and *then* take *as much as* thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, *Nay*; but thou shalt give *it me* now: and if not, I will take *it* by force.

17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD: for men [g] abhorred the offering of the LORD.

18 ¶ But Samuel ministered before the LORD, *being* a child, girded with a linen ephod.

19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought *it* to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.

20 ¶ And Eli [h] blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The LORD give thee seed of this woman for the [i] loan which is lent to the LORD. And they went unto their own home.

21 And the LORD [k] visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel [l] grew before the LORD.

22 ¶ Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with [m] the women that † assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for ‡ I hear of your evil dealings by all this people.

24 Nay, my sons; for *it is* no good report that I hear: ye make the LORD'S people § to transgress.

25 If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him: but if a man [n] sin against the LORD, who shall intreat for him? Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto the voice of their father, [o] because the LORD would slay them.

26 And the child Samuel grew on, and was [p] in favour both with the LORD, and also with men.

B. C. 1165.

[a] 1 Ki. 13. 1.
[b] Job 36. 7.
[c] Job 38. 4...6. Ps. 24. 2. 102. 25. 104. 5. He. 1. 3.
[d] Ex. 28. 1. 4.
[e] Ps. 91. 11. 121. 3.
[f] Le. 10. 14, 15
[g] Ju. 9. 10. Je. 22. 16. Ro. 1. 28.
[h] Je. 18. 9, 10.
[i] Ps. 18. 30. 19. 14.
[k] Mal. 2. 2. 9.
[l] 1 Ki. 2. 27.
[m] or, *the affliction of the tabernacle, for all the wealth which God would have given Israel.*
[n] Le. 3.3...5,16
[o] Zec. 8. 6.
† *as on the day.*
‡ *men.*
[p] 1 Ki. 13. 3.
[q] ch. 4. 11.
[r] 1 Ch. 23. 22.
[s] Mal. 2. 8.
[t] 2Sa. 7. 11, 27 1 Ki. 11. 38.
[u] Ps. 2. 2. 18. 50.
[v] 1 Ki. 2. 27.
§ *Join.*
|| or, *somewhat about the priesthood.*
[w] Ge. 14. 19.
[x] or, *petition which she asked, &c.*
[y] Ps. 74. 9. Am. 8. 11.
[z] Ge. 21. 1.
[a] Lu. 1. 80. 2. 40.
[b] Ge. 27. 1. 48. 10.
[c] Ex. 38. 8.
† *assembled by troops.*
‡ or, *I hear evil words of you.*
§ or, *to cry out.*
[d] Nu. 15. 30. Ps. 51. 4, 16. He. 10. 26, 31
[e] Jos. 11. 20. Pr. 15. 10.
|| or, *Thus did Samuel before he knew the LORD, and before the word of the LORD was revealed unto him.*
[f] Ac. 19. 2.
[g] Pr. 3. 4. Lu. 2. 52. Ac. 2. 47. Ro. 14. 18.

27 ¶ And [a] there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?

28 And did I [d] choose him out of all the tribes of Israel *to be* my priest, to offer upon mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel?

29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded *in my* habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people?

30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed *that* thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, [b] Be it far from me; for them that honour me [c] I will honour, and [d] they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

31 Behold, [e] the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine house.

32 And thou shalt see [m] an enemy in [n] my habitation, in all *the wealth* which *God* shall give Israel: and there shall not be [o] an old man in thine house for ever.

33 And the man of thine, *whom* I shall not cut off from mine altar, *shall be* to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die ‡ in the flower of their age.

34 And this *shall be* [p] a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; [q] in one day they shall die both of them.

35 And [r] I will raise me up a faithful priest, *that* shall do according to *that* which *is* in mine heart and in my mind: and [s] I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before [t] mine anointed for ever.

36 And [u] it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left in thine house shall come *and* crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, § Put me, I pray thee, into ‖ one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.

CHAP. III.

AND the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And [a] the word of the LORD was precious in those days; *there was* no open vision.

2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli *was* laid down in his place, [b] and his eyes began to wax dim, *that* he could not see;

3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God *was*, and Samuel was laid down *to sleep*;

4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here *am* I.

5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.

7 ¶ Now Samuel [c] did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.

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8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

11 ¶ And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, [a] at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.

12 In that day I will perform against Eli all *things* which I have spoken concerning his house: † when I begin, I will also make an end.

13 ‡ For [b] I have told him that I will [c] judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves § vile, and he ‖ restrained them not.

14 And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house [f] shall not be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever.

15 ¶ And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.

16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here *am* I.

17 And he said, What *is* the thing that *the LORD* hath said unto thee? I pray thee hide *it* not from me: [i] God do so to thee, and ‡ more also, if thou hide *any* § thing from me of all the things that he said unto thee.

18 And Samuel told him ‖ every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, [k] It *is* the LORD: let him do what seemeth him good.

19 ¶ And Samuel grew, and [l] the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground.

20 And all Israel from [r] Dan even to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel *was* † established *to be* a prophet of the LORD.

21 And the LORD appeared again in Shiloh: for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

CHAP. IV.

AND the word of Samuel § came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battle, and pitched beside Eben-ezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek.

2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when ‖ they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of † the army in the field about four thousand men.

3 ¶ And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? Let us § fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.

4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, [m] which dwelleth *between* the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, *were* there with the ark of the covenant of God.

5 And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang again.

6 And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What *meaneth* the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews? And they understood that the ark of the LORD was come into the camp.

7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp. And they said, Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing [n] heretofore.

8 Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these *are* the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.

9 Be [o] strong, and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, [p] as they have been to you: [q] quit yourselves like men, and fight.

10 ¶ And the Philistines fought, and § Israel was smitten, and they fled every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

11 And [s] the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, † were slain.

12 ¶ And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and [t] came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and [u] with earth upon his head.

13 And when he came, lo, Eli sat upon [w] a seat by the wayside watching: for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city, and told *it*, all the city cried out.

14 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What *meaneth* the noise of this tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

15 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and [x] his eyes [o] were dim, that he could not see.

16 And the man said unto Eli, I *am* he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out of the army. And he said, [p] What ‡ is there done, my son?

17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there hath been also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God is taken.

18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. [o] And he had judged Israel forty years.

19 ¶ And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, *near* † to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains ‖ came upon her.

20 And about the time of her death, [t] the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for thou hast born a son. But she answered not, [o] neither did she regard *it*.

21 And she named the child † I-chabod,

B. C. 1165.

[a] 2 Ki. 21. 12. Je. 19. 3.
[b] *yesterday, or, the third day.*
† *beginning and ending*
‡ or, *And I will tell him, &c.*
[c] ch. 2. 29. 31.
[c] Eze. 18. 30.
[d] 1 Co. 16. 13.
[e] Ju. 13. 1.
§ or, *accursed.*
‖ *frowned not upon them.*
[o] *he men.*
[f] Is. 22. 14.
[g] Le. 26. 17. De. 28. 25. Ps. 78. 9, 63.
[h] Ps. 78. 61.
† *died.*
[i] 2 Sa. 1. 2.
[k] Jos. 7. 6. 2 Sa. 13. 19. 15. 32. Ne. 9. 1. Job 2. 12.
[l] Ru. 1. 17.
‡ *so add.*
[m] ch. 1. 9.
§ or, *word.*
‖ *all the things,* or, *words.*
[n] Job 1. 21. Ps. 39. 9.
[o] Ge 39. 2, 21, 23.
[p] ch. 3. 2.
[o] *stood.*
[r] Ju. 20. 1.
† or, *faithful*
[s] 2 Sa. 1. 4.
‡ *is the thing?*
§ *was,* or, *came to pass.*
‖ *the battle was spread*
[o] He seems to have been a judge to do justice only, and that in South-west Israel.
† *the array.*
‡ or, *to cry out.*
§ *take unto us.*
‖ *were turned.*
[t] Ge. 35. 17.
[o] *set not her heart.*
[w] Ex. 25. 18, 22 Nu. 7. 89. 2 Sa. 6. 2. Ps. 80. 1.
† i. e. *Where is the glory?* or, *there is no glory.*
ch. 14. 3.

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saying, [a] The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.

22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of God is taken.

CHAP. V.

AND the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it [d] from Eben-ezer unto Ashdod.

2 When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the house of [f] Dagon, and set it by Dagon.

3 ¶ And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon *was* [h] fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of the LORD. And they took Dagon, and [k] set him in his place again.

4 And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon *was* fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of the LORD; and [m] the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands *were* cut off upon the threshold; only § *the stump of* Dagon was left to him.

5 Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagon's house, [p] tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod unto this day.

6 But [r] the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with [s] emerods, *even* Ashdod and the coasts thereof.

7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that *it was* so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god.

8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines unto them, and said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried about unto Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel about *thither*.

9 And it was *so*, that, after they had carried it about, [u] the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts.

10 ¶ Therefore they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought about the ark of the God of Israel to [a] us, to slay us and our people.

11 So they sent and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to his own place, that it slay [†] us not, and our people: for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; [y] the hand of God was very heavy there.

12 And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and [z] the cry of the city went up to heaven.

CHAP. VI.

AND the ark of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines seven months.

2 And the Philistines [a] called for the priests and the diviners, saying, What shall we do to the ark of the LORD? tell us wherewith we shall send it to his place.

3 And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not [d] empty; but in any wise return him [e] a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed,

B. C. 1141.

[a] Ps. 26. 8. 79. 61.
[b] ver. 9. Job 10. 2. 34. 31, 32.
[c] ver. 17, 18. Jos. 13. 3. Ju. 3. 3.
[d] *them.*
[d] ch. 4. 1. 7. 12.
[e] Jos. 7. 19. Ps. 18. 44. 66. 3. Is. 42. 12. Mal. 2. 2.
[f] Ju. 16. 23.
[g] ch. 5. 6, 11. Ps. 39. 10.
[h] Is. 19. 1. 46. 1, 2.
[i] Ex. 7. 13. 8. 15. 14. 17.
[k] Is. 46. 7.
† or, *reproachfully*
[l] Ex. 12. 31.
‡ *them.*
[m] Je. 50. 2. Eze. 6. 4, 6. Mi. 1. 7.
[n] 2 Sa. 6. 3.
[o] Nu. 19. 2.
§ or, *the fishy part.*
[p] Zep. 1. 9.
[r] Ex. 9. 3. Ps. 32. 4. Ac. 13. 11.
[s] De. 28. 27. Ps. 78. 66.
[t] Jos. 15. 10.
|| or, *it.*
[u] ver. 3. Ps. 92. 6. Is. 26. 11.
[v] ch. 7. 13. 12. 15. De. 2. 15.
[a] *me, to slay me and my.*
[x] Ex. 20. 24. Ju. 6. 26. 21. 4. 2 Sa. 24. 22 ..25. 1 Ki. 18. 30 ..38.
† *me not, and my.*
[y] Am. 5. 19. 9. 1..4.
[z] Ex. 12. 30. Is. 15. 3..5. Je. 2. 2.
[a] Jos. 13. 3.
[b] ver. 4.
[c] Ge. 41. 8. Ex. 7. 11. Is. 47. 12, 13. Da. 2. 2. 5. 7. Mat. 2. 4.
[d] Ex. 23. 15. De. 16. 16.
[e] Le. 5. 15, 16.
‡ or, *great stone.*

and it shall [b] be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.

4 Then said they, What *shall be* the trespass offering which we shall return to him? They answered, Five golden emerods, and five golden mice, [c] *according to* the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one plague *was* on [a] you all, and on your lords.

5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods, and images of your mice that mar the land; and ye shall [e] give glory unto the God of Israel: peradventure he will [f] lighten his hand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land.

6 Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, [i] as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought † wonderfully among them, [i] did they not let ‡ the people go, and they departed?

7 Now therefore make [m] a new cart, and take two milch kine, [o] on which there hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring their calves home from them:

8 And take the ark of the LORD, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return him *for* a trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away, that it may go.

9 And see, if it goeth up by the way of his own coast to [r] Beth-shemesh, *then* [s] he hath done us this great evil: but if not, then [u] we shall know that *it is* not his hand *that* smote us; it *was* a chance *that* happened to us.

10 ¶ And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home:

11 And they laid the ark of the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their emerods.

12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, *and* went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside *to* the right hand or *to* the left; and the lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh.

13 And *they of* Beth-shemesh *were* reaping their wheat harvest in the valley: and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced to see *it*.

14 And the cart came into the field of Joshua, a Beth-shemite, and stood there, where *there was* a great stone: and they clave the wood of the cart, and [a] offered the kine a burnt offering unto the LORD.

15 And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD, and the coffer that *was* with it, wherein the jewels of gold *were*, and put *them* on the great stone: and the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt offerings and sacrificed sacrifices the same day unto the LORD.

16 And when [b] the five lords of the Philistines had seen *it*, they returned to Ekron the same day.

17 And [b] these *are* the golden emerods which the Philistines returned *for* a trespass offering unto the LORD; for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one, for Ekron one:

18 And the golden mice, *according to* the number of all the cities of the Philistines *belonging* to the five lords, *both* of fenced cities, and of country villages, even unto the ‡ great *stone of* Abel, whereon

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they set down the ark of the LORD: *which stone remaineth* unto this day in the field of Joshua, the Beth-shemite.

19 ¶ And [b] he smote the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten *many* of the people with a great slaughter.

20 And the men of Beth-shemesh said, [d] Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us?

21 ¶ And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of [e] Kirjath-jearim, saying, The Philistines have brought again the ark of the LORD; come ye down, *and* fetch it up to you.

CHAP. VII.

AND the men of [a] Kirjath-jearim came, and fetched up the ark of the LORD, and brought it into the house of [b] Abinadab in the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.

2 And it came to pass, while the ark abode in Kirjath-jearim, that the time was long; for it was twenty years: and all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.

3 ¶ And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye do [c] return unto the LORD with all your hearts, *then* [d] put away the strange gods and [e] Ashtaroth from among you, and [f] prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and [g] serve him only: and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.

4 Then the children of Israel did put away [h] Baalim and Ashtaroth, and served the LORD only.

5 And Samuel said, [i] Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you unto the LORD.

6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, [k] and drew water, and poured *it* out before the LORD, and [l] fasted on that day, and said there, [m] We have sinned against the LORD. And Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpeh.

7 And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard *it*, they were afraid of the Philistines.

8 And the children of Israel said to Samuel, [n] Cease [d] not to cry unto the LORD our God for us, that he will save us out of the hand of the Philistines.

9 ¶ And Samuel took a sucking lamb, and offered *it for* a burnt offering wholly unto the LORD: and [o] Samuel cried unto the LORD for Israel; and the LORD †heard him.

10 And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel: [h] but the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel.

11 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them, until *they came* under Beth-car.

12 Then Samuel [i] took a stone, and set *it* between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it ‡Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us.

13 ¶ So [k] the Philistines were subdued,

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[a] ch. 13. 5.
[b] Ex. 19. 21. Nu. 4. 5, 15. 20. 2 Sa. 6. 7. Col. 2. 18. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[c] Ju. 2. 16.
[d] Mal. 3. 2.
[e] *and he circuited.*
[e] Jos. 18. 14. Ju. 18. 12. 1 Ch. 13. 5, 6.
[f] ch. 5. 4.
[g] Ju. 21. 4.
[h] Ps. 132. 6.
[i] De. 16. 18. 2 Ch. 19. 5.
[k] 2 Sa. 6. 4.
† *Yashai.* 1 Ch. 6. 28.
[l] Je. 22. 15..17
[m] Ex. 18. 21. 1 Ti. 3. 3. 6. 10.
[n] De. 16. 19. Ps. 15. 5.
[o] Is. 55. 7. Ho. 6. 1. Joel 2. 12.
[p] Jos. 24. 14, 23
[r] Ju. 2. 13.
[s] 2 Ch. 30. 19. Job 11. 13, 14
[t] Lu. 4. 8.
[u] Ho. 13. 10. Ac. 13. 21.
‡ *was evil in the eyes of Samuel.*
[v] Ju. 2. 11.
[x] 2 Ki. 25. 23.
[y] Ex. 16. 8.
[z] ch. 10. 19.
[a] 2 Sa. 14. 14.
[b] Ne. 9. 1, 2. Joel 2. 12.
[c] 1 Ki. 8. 47. Ps. 106. 6.
§ or, *obey.*
‖ or, *notwithstanding when thou hast solemnly protested against them, then thou shalt shew, &c.*
[d] *Be not silent from us from crying.*
[d] Is. 37. 4.
[e] De. 17. 16.
[f] ch. 14. 52.
[g] Ps. 99. 6. Je. 15. 1.
† or, *answered.*
[h] Jos. 10. 10. Ju. 4. 15. 5. 20. 2 Sa. 22. 14, 15
[i] Ge. 28. 18. 31. 45. 35. 14. Jos. 4. 9.
‡ i. e *The stone of help.*
§ *eunuchs.* Ge. 37. 36.
[k] Ju. 13. 1.

and they [a] came no more into the coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.

14 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron even unto Gath; and the coasts thereof did Israel deliver out of the hands of the Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

15 And Samuel [b] judged Israel all the days of his life.

16 And he went from year to year [c] in circuit to Beth-el, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and judged Israel in all those places.

17 And *f* his return *was* to Ramah; for there *was* his house; and there he judged Israel; and there he [d] built an altar unto the LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

AND it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he [e] made his sons judges over Israel.

2 Now the name of his firstborn was †Joel; and the name of his second, Abiah: *they were* judges in Beer-sheba.

3 And his sons [f] walked not in his ways, but turned aside [m] after lucre, and [n] took bribes, and perverted judgment.

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now [o] make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

6 ¶ But the thing ‡ displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for [p] they have not rejected thee, but [q] they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

9 Now therefore § hearken unto their voice: ‖ howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them.

10 ¶ And Samuel told all the words of the LORD unto the people that asked of him a king.

11 And he said, [r] This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: [s] He will take your sons, and appoint *them* for himself, for his chariots, and *to be* his horsemen; and *some* shall run before his chariots.

12 And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and *will set them* to ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots.

13 And he will take your daughters *to be* confectionaries, and *to be* cooks, and *to be* bakers.

14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, *even* the best *of them*, and give *them* to his servants.

15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his § officers, and to his servants.

16 And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your good-

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liest young men, and your asses, and put *them* to his work.

17 He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.

18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you; and the LORD [e] will not hear you in that day.

19 ¶ Nevertheless the people [d] refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us;

20 That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.

21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of the LORD.

22 And the [f] LORD said to Samuel, Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king. And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man unto his city.

CHAP. IX.

NOW there was a man of Benjamin, whose name *was* [h] Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, [i] a Benjamite, a mighty man of [*] power.

2 And he had a son, whose name *was* Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and *there was* not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: [l] from his shoulders and upward *he was* higher than any of the people.

3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses.

4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of [*] Shalisha, but they found *them* not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and *there they were* not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found *them* not.

5 *And* when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that *was* with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave *caring* for the asses, and take thought for us.

6 And he said unto him, Behold now, *there is* in this city [a] a man of God, and *he is* an honourable man; [t] all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.

7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, *if* we go, [*] what shall we bring the man? for the bread [‖] is spent in our vessels, and *there is* not a present to bring to the man of God: what [*] have we?

8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, [†] I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: *that* will I give [b] to the man of God, to tell us our way.

9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man [g] went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: for *he that is* now *called* a Prophet was beforetime called [k] a Seer.)

10 Then said Saul to his servant, [‡] Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of God *was*.

11 ¶ *And* as they went up [§] the hill to the city, [e] they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, Is the seer here?

12 And they answered them, and said, He is; behold, *he is* before you: make haste now, for he came to day to the city; for [*] *there is* a [*] sacrifice of the people [‖] to day in the high place:

13 As soon as ye be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up to the high place to eat: for the people will not eat until he come, because he doth bless the sacrifice; *and* afterwards they eat that be bidden. Now therefore get you up; for about [†] this time ye shall find him.

14 And they went up into the city: *and* when they were come into the city, behold, Samuel came out against them, for to go up to the high place.

15 ¶ Now [l] the LORD had [‡] told Samuel in his ear a day before Saul came, saying,

16 To morrow about this time I will send thee a man out of the land of Benjamin, [§] and thou shalt anoint him *to be* captain over my people Israel, that he may save my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have [h] looked upon my people, because their cry is come unto me.

17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said unto him, [i] Behold the man whom I spake to thee of! this same shall [§] reign over my people.

18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, where the seer's house *is*.

19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I *am* the seer: go up before me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee go, and will tell thee all that *is* in thine heart.

20 And as for thine asses that were lost [†] three days ago, set not thy mind on them; for they are found. And on whom [m] *is* all the desire of Israel? *Is it* not on thee, and on all thy father's house?

21 And Saul answered and said, [n] *Am* not I a Benjamite, of the [p] smallest of the tribes of Israel? and [r] my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou *so* to me?

22 And Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which *were* about thirty persons.

23 And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the portion which I gave thee, of which I said unto thee, Set it by thee.

24 And the cook took up [*] the shoulder, and *that* which *was* upon it, and set *it* before Saul. And *Samuel* said, Behold that which is [§] left! set *it* before thee, *and* eat: for unto this time hath it been kept for thee since I said, I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that day.

25 ¶ And when they were come down from the high place into the city, *Samuel* communed with Saul upon [a] the top of the house.

26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Up, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they [r] went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad.

27 *And* as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant pass on before us, (and he passed on,) but stand thou still [‡] a while, that I may shew thee the word of God.

CHAP. X.

THEN [b] Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured *it* upon his head, [c] and kissed him,

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[a] ch. 16. 2. Ge. 31. 54.
[*] or, *feast.*
[b] 1 Ki. 3. 2.
[c] Pr. 1. 25. 28. Is. 1. 15. Mi. 3. 4.
[d] Je. 44. 16.
[†] *to day.*
[e] ch. 15. 1. Ac. 13. 21.
[‡] *revealed the ear of Samuel.* ch. 20. 2.
[f] Ho. 13. 11.
[g] ch. 10. 1.
[h] Ex. 2. 25. 3. 7, 9.
[i] ch. 16. 12. Ho. 13. 11.
[k] ch. 14. 51. 1 Ch. 8. 33. 9. 39.
[§] *restrain in.*
[‖] *or, the son of a man of Jemini.*
[*] or, *substance.*
[l] ch. 10. 23.
[†] *to day three days.*
[m] ch. 8. 5, 19. 12. 13
[n] ch. 15. 17.
[o] 2 Ki. 4. 42.
[p] Ju. 20. 46. 48 Ps. 68. 27.
[r] Ju. 6. 15.
[‡] *according to this word?*
[s] De. 33. 1. 1 Ki. 13. 1.
[t] ch. 3. 19.
[u] Le. 7. 32, 33. Is. 9. 6. Eze. 24. 4.
[§] or, *reserved*
[*] Ju. 6. 18. 13. 17. 1 Ki. 14. 3. 2 Ki. 4. 42. 8. 8.
[‖] *is gone out of, &c.*
[*] *is with us?*
[†] *there is found in my hand.*
[x] De. 22. 6. 2 Sa. 11. 2. Ac. 10. 9.
[y] Ge. 25. 23.
[z] 2 Sa. 24. 11. 2 Ki. 17. 13. 1 Ch. 26. 28. 29. 29. 2Ch. 16. 7, 10 Is. 30. 10. Am. 7. 12.
[‡] *Thy word is good.*
[§] *in the ascent of the city.*
[a] Ge. 24. 11.
[‖] *to day.*
[b] ch. 9. 16. 16. 13. 2 Ki. 9. 3, 6.
[c] Ps. 2. 12.

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and said, *Is it* not because [a] the LORD hath anointed thee *to be* captain over [b] his inheritance?

2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by [c] Rachel's sepulchre in the border of Benjamin [d] at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left the [e] care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I do for my son?

3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plain of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going up [f] to God to Beth-el, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine:

4 And they will [†] salute thee, and give thee two *loaves* of bread; which thou shalt receive of their hands.

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, [h] where *is* the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harp, before them; [m] and they shall prophesy:

6 And [n] the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and [o] thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

7 And [‡] let it be, when these [r] signs are come unto thee, [‖] *that* thou do as occasion serve thee; for [s] God *is* with thee.

8 And thou shalt go down before me [t] to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings, *and* to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings: [u] seven days shalt thou tarry, till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do.

9 ¶ And it was *so*, that when he had turned his [†] back to go from Samuel, God [‡] gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day.

10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, [b] a company of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.

11 And it came to pass, when all that knew him beforetime saw that, behold, he prophesied among the prophets, then the people said [§] one to another, What *is* this *that* is come unto the son of Kish? [d] *Is* Saul also among the prophets?

12 And one [‖] of the same place answered and said, But [e] who is their father? Therefore it became a proverb, *Is* Saul also among the prophets?

13 And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place.

14 ¶ And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, Whither went ye? And he said, To seek the asses: and when we saw that *they were* no where, we came to Samuel.

15 And Saul's uncle said, Tell me, I pray thee, what Samuel said unto you.

16 And Saul said unto his uncle, He told us plainly that the asses were found. But of the matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he told him not.

17 ¶ And Samuel called the people together [i] unto the LORD to Mizpeh;

18 And said unto the children of Israel, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, *and* of them that oppressed you:

19 And [k] ye have this day rejected your God, who himself saved you out of all your adversities and your tribulations; and ye have said unto him, *Nay*, but set a king over us. Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes, and by your thousands.

20 And when Samuel had [l] caused all the tribes of Israel to come near, the tribe of Benjamin was taken.

21 When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their families, the family of Matri was taken, and Saul the son of Kish was taken: and when they sought him, he could not be found.

22 Therefore they [A] enquired of the LORD further, if the man should yet come thither. And the LORD answered, Behold, he hath [‖] hid himself among the stuff.

23 And they ran and fetched him thence: and when he stood among the people, he was higher than any of the people from his shoulders and upward.

24 And Samuel said to all the people, See ye him [l] whom the LORD hath chosen, that *there is* none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, [‡] God save the king.

25 Then Samuel told the people [P] the manner of the kingdom, and wrote *it* in a book, and laid *it* up before the LORD. And Samuel sent all the people away every man to his house.

26 ¶ And Saul also went home [t] to Gibeah; and there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.

27 But the [v] children of Belial said, How shall this man save us? And they despised him, [P] and brought him no presents. But [v] he held his peace.

CHAP. XI.

THEN Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against [x] Jabesh-gilead: and all the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, [y] Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee.

2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this *condition* will I make *a covenant* with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it *for* a [z] reproach upon all Israel.

3 And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, [‖] Give us seven days' respite, that we may send messengers unto all the coasts of Israel: and then, if *there be* no man to save us, we will come out to thee.

4 ¶ Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the ears of the people: and [‡] all the people lifted up their voices, and wept.

5 And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, What *aileth* the people that they weep? And they told him the tidings of the men of Jabesh.

6 And [§] the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent *them* throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, [A] Whosoever cometh not forth after Saul and after Samuel, so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on the people, and they came out [†] with one consent.

8 And when he numbered them in

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[a] Ac. 13. 21.
[b] De. 32. 9. Ps. 78. 71.
[c] ch. 8. 7, 19. 12. 12.
[d] Ge. 25. 19, 20.
[e] Jos. 18. 28. *business.*
[f] Jos. 7. 14, 16, 17. Ac. 1. 24, 26.
[g] Ge. 28. 22. 35. 1, 3, 7.
[†] *ask thee of peace.* Ju. 18. 15.
[h] ch. 13. 3, 4. 10, 11.
[i] Lu. 14. 11.
[k] ch. 13. 3.
[l] 2 Sa. 21. 6.
[m] Ex. 15. 20, 21. 2 Ki. 3. 15. 1 Co. 14.
[n] ch. 16. 13. Nu. 11. 25.
[‡] *Let the king live.* 1 Ki. 1. 25, 39. 2 Ki. 11. 12.
[o] ch. 19. 23, 24.
[p] ch. 8. 11. De. 17. 14, &c
[§] *it shall come to pass, that when, &c.*
[r] Ex. 4. 8. Lu. 2. 12.
[‖] *do for thee as thine hand shall find.* Ju. 9. 33.
[s] Ju. 6. 12. Is. 45. 1, 2. Mat. 28. 20.
[t] Ju. 20. 14.
[u] ch. 11. 14, 15.
[†] De. 13. 3.
[‡] ch. 13. 8.
[v] 2 Sa. 8. 2. 1 Ki. 4. 21. 10. 25. 2 Ch. 17. 5. Ps. 72. 10. Mat. 2. 11.
[e] or, *he was as though he had been deaf.*
[†] *shoulder.*
[‡] *turned.*
[§] Ju. 21. 8.
[a] Ge. 26. 28. Ex. 23. 32. 1 Ki. 20. 34. Job 41. 4. Jer. 41. 13.
[b] ch. 19. 20.
[c] ch. 17. 26. Ge. 34. 14.
[§] *a man to his neighbour.*
[‖] *Forbear us.*
[d] Mat. 13. 54, 56. Jno. 7. 15. Ac. 4. 13. Ju. 1. 17.
[e] *from thence* Jno. 7. 16.
[f] Ju. 3. 4.
[g] Ju. 6. 34.
[h] Ju. 21. 5, 8.
[i] ch. 11. 15.
[†] *as one man.* Ju. 20. 1.

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[a] Bezek, the children [b] of Israel were three hundred thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand.

9 And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall ye say unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, To morrow, by *that time* the sun be hot, ye shall have [c] help. And the messengers came and shewed *it* to the men of Jabesh; and they were glad.

10 Therefore the men of Jabesh said, To morrow we will come out unto you, and ye shall do with us all that seemeth good unto you.

11 And it was *so* on the morrow, that [d] Saul put the people *f* in three companies; and they came into the midst of the host in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites until the heat of the day: and it came to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.

12 ¶ And the people said unto Samuel, [e] Who *is* he that said, Shall Saul reign over us? [m] bring the men, that we may put them to death.

13 And Saul said, [n] There shall not a man be put to death this day: for to day [p] the LORD hath wrought salvation in Israel.

14 Then said Samuel to the people, Come, and let us go [q] to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom there.

15 And all the people went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king [r] before the LORD in Gilgal; and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the LORD; and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

CHAP. XII.

AND Samuel said unto all Israel, Behold, I have hearkened unto your voice in all that ye said unto me, and [a] have made a king over you.

2 And now, behold, the king [s] walketh before you: and I am old and grayheaded; and, behold, my sons *are* with you: and I have walked before you from my childhood unto this day.

3 Behold, here I *am:* witness against me before the LORD, and before [d] his anointed: [e] whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received *any* ‖ bribe ‖ to *f* blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you.

4 And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken ought of any man's hand.

5 And he said unto them, The LORD *is* witness against you, and his anointed *is* witness this day, [f] that ye have not found ought [a] in my hand. And they answered, *He is* witness.

6 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, *It is* the LORD that [t] advanced Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.

7 Now therefore stand still, that I may [u] reason with you before the LORD of all the § righteous acts of the LORD, which he did ‖ to you and to your fathers.

8 When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the LORD, then the LORD [v] sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.

9 And when they [w] forgat the LORD

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[a] Ju. 1. 5.
[b] 2 Sa. 24. 9.
[c] Ju. 4. 2.
[d] or, *deliverance.*
[d] Ju. 2. 13.
[e] ch. 31. 11.
[f] Ju. 7. 16.
[g] ch. 11. 1.
[h] Ju. 8. 23.
[i] ch. 10. 24.
[k] Ho. 13. 11.
[l] ch. 10. 27.
[m] Lu. 19. 27.
[n] Jos. 24. 14. Ps 81. 13, 14.
[o] 2 Sa. 19. 22.
[p] *mouth.*
Ex. 14. 13, 30
[q] *be after.*
De. 31. 14, &c.
[r] ch. 10. 8.
[s] ch. 10. 17.
[t] Ex. 14. 13, 31
[u] Pr. 25. 1.
[x] Ja. 5. 16. 18
[y] ch. 8. 7.
[z] Ac. 20. 33.
1 Th. 2. 5.
§ *ransom.*
‖ or, *that I should hide mine eyes at him.*
[a] De. 16. 19.
[b] De. 11. 16.
[c] Je. 16. 19.
Hab. 2. 18.
1 Co. 8. 4.
[d] 1 Ki. 6. 13.
Ps. 94. 6. 14.
[e] Jos. 7. 9.
Ps. 105. 8.
Je. 14. 21.
Eze. 20. 9, 14.
[f] Jno. 18. 38.
Ac. 23. 9.
24. 16, 20.
[m] De. 7. 7, 8.
Mal. 1. 2.
[n] Ex. 22. 4.
[o] *from.*
[p] Ac. 12. 5.
Ro. 15. 30.
Col. 1. 9.
2 Ti. 1. 3.
[r] Mi. 6. 4.
[s] or, *made.*
[t] Ps. 34. 11.
Pr. 4. 11.
[u] 1 Ki. 8. 36.
[v] Ch. 6. 27.
Je. 6. 16.
[w] Ec. 12. 13.
[x] Is. 5. 12.
[y] Is. 1. 18.
5. 3, 4.
Mi. 6. 2, 3
[z] or, *acted a great* thing.
[a] Ps. 126. 2, 3.
§ *righteousnesses,* or, *benefits.*
Ju. 5. 11.
‖ *with.*
[b] De. 28. 36.
[c] Ex. 3. 10.
[d] *the son of one year in his reigning*
[e] Ju. 3. 7.

their God, [x] he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab, and they fought against them.

10 And they cried unto the LORD, and said, We have sinned, because we have forsaken the LORD, [z] and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve thee.

11 And the LORD sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe.

12 And when ye saw that [a] Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, ye said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over us: when [b] the LORD your God *was* your king.

13 Now therefore [c] behold the king whom ye have chosen, *and* whom ye have desired! and, behold, [d] the LORD hath set a king over you.

14 If ye will [e] fear the LORD, and serve him, and obey his voice, and not rebel against the † commandment of the LORD, then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you † continue following the LORD your God:

15 But if ye will [f] not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of the LORD, then shall the hand of the LORD be against you, as *it was* against your fathers.

16 ¶ Now therefore [g] stand and see this great thing, which the LORD will do before your eyes.

17 *Is it* not [h] wheat harvest to day? [i] I will call unto the LORD, and he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see that [k] your wickedness *is* great, which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, in asking you a king.

18 So Samuel called unto the LORD; and the LORD sent thunder and rain that day: and [l] all the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel.

19 And all the people said unto Samuel, [m] Pray for thy servants unto the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins *this* evil, to ask us a king.

20 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not: ye have done all this wickedness: yet turn not aside from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart;

21 And [n] turn ye not aside: [o] for *then should ye go* after vain *things*, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they *are* vain.

22 For [p] the LORD will not forsake his people [q] for his great name's sake: because [r] it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.

23 Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD [s] in [t] ceasing to pray for you: but [u] I will teach you the [x] good and the right way:

24 Only [y] fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for [z] consider † how [a] great *things* he hath done for you.

25 But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, [b] both ye and your king.

CHAP. XIII.

SAUL [c] reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over Israel,

2 Saul chose him three thousand men of Israel; *whereof* two thousand were with

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Saul in Michmash and in mount Beth-el, and a thousand were with Jonathan in [b] *Gibeah of* Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent every man to his tent.

3 And Jonathan smote [d] the garrison of the Philistines that *was* in [e] Geba, and the Philistines heard *of it.* And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, Let the Hebrews hear.

4 And all Israel heard say *that* Saul had smitten a garrison of the Philistines, and *that* Israel also [f] was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people were called together after Saul to Gilgal.

5 ¶ And the Philistines gathered themselves together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which *is* on the seashore in multitude: and they came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Beth-aven.

6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the people were distressed,) then the people [g] did hide themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.

7 And *some of* the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for Saul, he *was* yet in Gilgal, and all the people [h] followed him trembling.

8 ¶ And [i] he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel *had appointed:* but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.

9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.

10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might [k] salute him.

11 ¶ And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and *that* thou camest not within the days appointed, and *that* the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not [l] made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering.

13 And Samuel said to Saul, [r] Thou hast done foolishly: [s] thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

14 But [t] now thy kingdom shall not continue: [u] the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him *to be* captain over his people, because thou hast not kept *that* which the LORD commanded thee.

15 And Samuel arose, and gat him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people *that were* [m] present with him, [n] about six hundred men.

16 And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people *that were* present with them, abode in [x] Gibeah of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.

17 ¶ And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned unto the way *that leadeth to* [y] Ophrah, unto the land of Shual:

18 And another company turned the way to [b] Beth-boron: and another company turned *to* the way of the border that looketh to the valley of [c] Zeboim toward the wilderness.

19 ¶ Now [d] there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make *them* swords or spears:

20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coulter, and his ax, and his mattock.

21 Yet they had [z] a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to [§] sharpen the goads.

22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that [a] there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people that *were* with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found.

23 And [b] the [‖] garrison of the Philistines went out to the passage of Michmash.

CHAP. XIV.

NOW [c] it came to pass upon a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul said unto the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over to the Philistines' garrison, that *is* on the other side. But he told not his father.

2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree which *is* in Migron: and the people that *were* with him *were* [e] about six hundred men;

3 And [f] Ahiah, the son of Ahitub, [g] Ichabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the [h] LORD's priest in Shiloh, [i] wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that Jonathan was gone.

4 ¶ And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over [k] unto the Philistines' garrison, *there was* a sharp rock on the one side, and a sharp rock on the other side: and the name of the one *was* Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.

5 The [§] forefront of the one *was* situate northward over against Michmash, and the other southward over against Gibeah.

6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these [l] uncircumcised: [m] it may be that the LORD will work for us: for *there is* no restraint to the LORD [n] to save by many or by few.

7 And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that *is* in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I *am* with thee according to thy heart.

8 Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto *these* men, and we will discover ourselves unto them.

9 If they say thus unto us, [o] Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them.

10 But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for the LORD hath delivered them into our hand: and [p] this *shall be* a sign unto us.

11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselves.

12 And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armourbearer, and said, [q] Come up to us, and we will shew you a thing. And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, Come up after me: for the LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel.

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[a] Ne. 11. 34.
[b] ch. 10. 26.
[c] 2 Ki. 21. 14. Je. 24. 1.
[d] ch. 10. 5.
[e] *or, the hill.*
[f] *did stink.* Ge. 34. 30. Ex. 5. 21.
[g] *a file with mouths.*
[h] *to set.*
[i] Ju. 5. 8.
[k] ch. 14. 1, 4.
[l] or, *standing camp.*
[m] Ju. 6. 2. Is. 42. 22. Re. 11. 38.
[n] or, *there was a day.*
[o] *trembled after him.*
[p] ch. 10. 8.
[q] ch. 13. 15.
[r] ch. 22. 9, 11, 20. *Ahimelech.*
[s] Ex. 20. 26.
[t] ch. 13. 23.
[u] *bless him.*
[v] *tooth.*
[w] *intreated the face.*
[x] Ge. 17. 7..11 Ju. 15. 18. 2 Sa. 1. 20. Je. 9. 23..26. Ep. 2. 11, 12. Phi. 3. 3.
[y] 2 Sa. 16. 12. 2 Ki. 19. 4. Is. 37. 4.
[z] 1 Ki. 18. 18. 21. 20. 2 Ch. 16. 9. Pr. 19. 3. Mar. 8. 17, 18
[a] Ju. 7. 4, 7. 2 Ch. 14. 11. Ps. 115. 1..3. Zec. 4. 6. Mat. 19. 26. Ro. 8. 31.
[b] ch. 15. 11.
[c] ch. 15. 28.
[d] Ps. 99. 20. Ac. 13. 22.
[e] *Be still.*
[f] Ge. 24. 14. Ju. 7. 11.
[g] *found.*
[h] ch. 14. 2.
[i] *Geba,* ver. 3. 2 Sa. 21. 6.
[k] ch. 17. 44. 2 Sa. 2. 14.. 17. 2 Ki. 14. 8.
[l] Jos. 18. 23.
[m] Jos. 16. 3.

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13 And Jonathan [a] climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armourbearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him.

14 And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were [b] an half acre of land, *which* a yoke *of oxen might plow*.

15 And [c] there was trembling in the host, in the field, and among all the people: the garrison, and [d] the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked: so it was [†] a very [f] great trembling.

16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, behold, the multitude [g] melted away, and they went on beating down *one another*.

17 Then said Saul unto the people that *were* with him, Number now, and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, behold, Jonathan and his armourbearer *were* not *there*.

18 And Saul said unto Ahiah, Bring hither the ark of God. For the ark of God was at that time with the children of Israel.

19 ¶ And it came to pass, while Saul [h] talked unto the priest, that the [i] noise that *was* in the host of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said unto the priest, [k] Withdraw thine hand.

20 And Saul and all the people that *were* with him [†] assembled themselves, and they came to the battle: and, behold, [l] every man's sword was against his fellow, *and there was* a very great discomfiture.

21 Moreover the Hebrews *that* were with the Philistines before that time, which went up with them into the camp *from the country* round about, even they also *turned* to be with the Israelites that *were* with Saul and Jonathan.

22 Likewise all the men of Israel which [m] had hid themselves in mount Ephraim, *when* they heard that the Philistines fled, even they also followed hard after them in the battle.

23 So [n] the LORD saved Israel that day: and the battle passed over [o] unto Beth-aven.

24 ¶ And the men of Israel were distressed that day: for Saul had adjured the people, saying, [p] Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food until evening, that I may be avenged on mine enemies. So none of the people tasted *any* food.

25 And [q] all *they of* the land came to a wood; and there was [r] honey upon the ground.

26 And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the honey dropped; but no man put his hand to his mouth: for the people [s] feared the oath.

27 But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: wherefore he put forth the end of the rod that *was* in his hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth; and his eyes were enlightened.

28 Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy father straitly charged the people with an oath, saying, Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food this day. And the people were [t] faint.

29 Then said Jonathan, My father hath troubled the land: see, I pray you, how mine eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted a little of this honey.

30 How much more, if haply the people had eaten freely to day of the spoil of their enemies which they found? for [u] had there not been now a much greater slaughter among the Philistines?

31 And they smote the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the people were very faint.

32 And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew *them* on the ground: and the people did eat *them* [v] with the blood.

33 ¶ Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, [§] Ye have [‡] transgressed: roll a great stone unto me this day.

34 And Saul said, Disperse yourselves among the people, and say unto them, Bring me hither every man his ox, and every man his sheep, and slay *them* here, and eat; and sin not against the LORD in eating with the blood. And all the people brought every man his ox [§] with him that night, and slew *them* there.

35 And Saul [‖] built an altar unto the LORD: the same was the first altar that he built unto the LORD.

36 ¶ And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and spoil them until the morning light, and let us not leave a man of them. And they said, Do whatsoever seemeth good unto thee. Then said the priest, [m] Let us draw near hither unto God.

37 And Saul asked counsel of God, Shall I go down after the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into the hand of Israel? But he [n] answered him not that day.

38 And Saul said, [†] Draw ye near hither, all the [‡] chief of the people: and know and see wherein this sin hath been this day.

39 For, [o] *as* the LORD liveth, which saveth Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die. But *there was* not a man among all the people *that* answered him.

40 Then said he unto all Israel, Be ye on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on the other side. And the people said unto Saul, Do what seemeth good unto thee.

41 Therefore Saul said unto the LORD God of Israel, [§] Give [p] a perfect *lot*. [†] And Saul and Jonathan were taken: but the people [‡] escaped.

42 And Saul said, Cast *lots* between me and Jonathan my son. And Jonathan was taken.

43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, [q] Tell me what thou hast done. And Jonathan told him, and said, [r] I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that *was* in mine hand, *and*, lo, I must die.

44 And Saul answered, [s] God do so and more also: [t] for thou shalt surely die, Jonathan.

45 And the people said unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die, who hath wrought this great salvation in Israel? God forbid: [u] as the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground; for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Jonathan, that he died not.

46 Then Saul went up from following the Philistines: and the Philistines went to their own place.

47 ¶ So Saul took the kingdom over Israel, and fought against all his enemies on every side, against Moab, and against the children of [v] Ammon, and against

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[a] Ps. 18. 29. He. 11. 34.
[b] Ec. 9. 18.
[c] or, *half a furrow of an acre of land.* Ju. 7. 21.
[d] 2 Ki. 7. 7. Job 18. 11. Ps. 14. 5.
[e] Le. 3. 17. 7. 26. 17. 10. 19. 26. De. 12. 16, 23, 24. Ac. 15. 20, 29.
[†] ch. 13. 17.
[†] *a trembling of God.*
[f] Ge. 35. 5. 2 Sa. 5. 24. De. 5. 6.
[g] Mat. 7. 5. Ro. 2. 1.
[‡] or, *dealt treacherously.*
[h] Ps. 58. 7. 68. 2.
[§] *in his hand.*
[i] ch. 7. 17. Ho. 8. 14. 2 Ti. 3. 5.
[‖] *that altar he began to build unto the LORD.*
[k] Nu. 27. 21.
[l] or, *tumult.*
[†] Ps. 106. 13. Is. 28. 16.
[m] Nu. 27. 21. Ps. 73. 28. Is. 58. 2. Mal. 2. 7. Ja. 4. 8.
[†] *were cried together.*
[n] 2 Ch. 20. 23. Is. 19. 2.
[o] ch. 29. 6.
[p] ch. 10. 19. Jos. 7. 14.
[‡] *corners.*
[q] Ju. 20. 2. Mat. 21. 42. Ep. 2. 20.
[r] 2 Sa. 12. 5.
[s] ch. 13. 6.
[t] Ex. 14. 30. Ps. 44. 6, 7. Ho. 1. 7.
[u] ch. 13. 5.
[§] or, *Shew the innocent.*
[v] Pr. 16. 33. Ac. 1. 24.
[w] Jos. 7. 16.
[x] Jos. 6. 26. Pr. 11. 9. Ro. 10. 2.
[‖] *went forth.*
[a] De. 9. 28. Mat. 3. 5.
[b] Ex. 3. 8. Nu. 13. 27. Mat. 3. 4.
[c] Jos. 7. 19.
[d] ver. 27.
[e] Ec. 9. 2.
[f] Ru. 1. 17.
[g] ver. 39.
[h] 2 Sa. 14. 11. 1 Ki. 1. 52. Lu. 21. 18.
[i] or, *weary.*
[k] ch. 11. 11.

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Edom, and against the kings of [a] Zobah, and against the Philistines: and whithersoever he turned himself, he vexed *them*.

48 And he [*] gathered an host, and [b] smote the Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the hands of them that spoiled them.

49 Now [c] the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishui, and Melchi-shua: and the names of his two daughters *were these*; the name of the firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger Michal:

50 And the name of Saul's wife *was* Ahinoam, the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of the captain of his host *was* [†] Abner, the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.

51 And [d] Kish *was* the father of Saul; and Ner the father of Abner *was* the son of Abiel.

52 And there was sore war against the Philistines all the days of Saul: and when Saul saw any strong man, or any valiant man, [e] he took him unto him.

CHAP. XV.

SAMUEL also said unto Saul, [A] The LORD sent me to anoint thee *to be* king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD.

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember *that* which Amalek did to Israel, [b] how he laid *wait* for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt.

3 Now go and smite Amalek, and [c] utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.

4 And Saul gathered the people together, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah.

5 And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and [‡] laid wait in the valley.

6 ¶ And Saul said unto [P] the Kenites, Go, [e] depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them: *for* [f] ye shewed kindness to all the children of Israel, when they came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.

7 And [g] Saul smote the Amalekites from [h] Havilah *until* thou comest to [i] Shur, that *is* over against Egypt.

8 And [k] he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and [l] utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword.

9 But Saul and the people [d] spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and [*] of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all *that was* good, and would not utterly destroy them: but every thing *that was* vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.

10 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Samuel, saying,

11 It [t] repenteth me that I have set up Saul *to be* king: for he is [f] turned back from following me, [h] and hath not performed my commandments. And it [m] grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.

12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to [n] Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal.

13 And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, [o] Blessed *be* thou of the LORD: I have performed the commandment of the LORD.

14 And Samuel said, What *meaneth* then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?

15 And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: [p] for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.

16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on.

17 And Samuel said, [q] When thou *wast* little in thine own sight, *wast* thou not *made* the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee king over Israel?

18 And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they [‡] be consumed.

19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?

20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, [f] I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.

22 And Samuel said, [m] Hath the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, [n] to obey *is* better than sacrifice, *and* to hearken than the fat of rams.

23 For rebellion *is as* the sin of [§] witchcraft, and stubbornness *is as* iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, [o] he hath also rejected thee from *being* king.

24 ¶ And [r] Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I [m] feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD.

26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: [h] for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, [s] he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent.

28 And Samuel said unto him, [f] The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, *that is* better than thou.

29 And also the [†] Strength of Israel [t] will not lie nor repent: for he *is* not a man, that he should repent.

30 Then he said, I have sinned: *yet* [l] honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.

31 So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped the LORD.

32 ¶ Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.

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[a] 2 Sa. 10. 6.
[*] or, *wrought mightily.*
[b] ch. 15. 3, 7.
[c] Ge. 3. 12. Pr. 28. 13.
[d] ch. 31. 2. 1 Ch. 8. 33.
[e] ch. 9. 21.
[†] *Abiner.*
[f] ch. 9. 1.
[‡] *consume.*
[g] ch. 8. 11.
[h] ch. 9. 16.
[i] ver. 13.
[k] Ex. 17. 8, 14. Nu. 24. 20. De. 25. 17, 19
[l] Le. 27. 28, 29. Jos. 6. 17, 21.
[m] Ps. 50. 6, 9. Pr. 21. 3. Is. 1. 11–13, 16, 17. Je. 7. 22, 23. Mi. 6. 6, 8. He. 10. 6–8.
[n] Ec. 5. 1. Ho. 6. 6. Mat. 5. 24. 9. 13. 12. 7. Mar. 12. 33.
[§] *divination.* De. 18. 10.
[||] or, *fought.*
[o] ch. 13. 14.
[P] Nu. 24. 21. Ju. 1. 16. 4. 11.
[q] Ge. 19. 12, 14. Ex. 18. 4.
[r] 2 Sa. 12. 13.
[s] Ex. 18. 10, 19 Nu. 10. 29, 32
[t] Ex. 23. 2. Pr. 29. 25. Is. 51. 12, 13.
[u] ch. 14. 48.
[v] Ge. 2. 11. 25. 18.
[w] Ge. 16. 7.
[x] 1 Ki. 20. 34, 35, &c.
[a] ch. 2. 30.
[b] ch. 30. 1.
[c] ver. 3, 15.
[d] 1 Ki. 11. 30, 31.
[e] or, *of the second sort*
[f] ch. 28. 17, 18.
[†] or, *eternity, victory.*
[g] Nu. 23. 19. Ezr. 24. 14. 2 Ti. 2. 13. Tit. 1. 2.
[h] ver. 35. Ge. 6. 6, 7. 2 Sa. 24. 16.
[i] Jos. 22. 16. 1 Ki. 9. 6.
[k] ch. 13. 13.
[l] Jno. 5. 44. 12. 43.
[m] ch. 16. 1.
[n] Jos. 15. 55.
[o] Ge. 14. 19. Ju. 17. 2. Ru. 3. 10.

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33 And Samuel said, [a] As thy sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.

34 ¶ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to [c] Gibeah of Saul.

35 And [a] Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death: nevertheless Samuel [f] mourned for Saul: and the LORD repented that he had made Saul king over Israel.

CHAP. XVI.

AND the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? [h] fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for [i] I have provided me a king among his sons.

2 And Samuel said, How can I go? if Saul hear *it*, he will kill me. And the LORD said, Take an heifer † with thee, and say, [l] I am come to sacrifice to the LORD.

3 And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I [m] will shew thee what thou shalt do: and thou shalt anoint unto me *him* whom I name unto thee.

4 And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the town [o] trembled at his ‡ coming, and said, [p] Comest thou peaceably?

5 And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto the LORD: [r] sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.

6 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on [t] Eliab, and said, [u] Surely the LORD's anointed *is* before him.

7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his [x] countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: [y] for *the LORD seeth* not as man seeth; for man [z] looketh on the [a] outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the [b] heart.

8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.

9 Then Jesse made † Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.

10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, The LORD hath not chosen these.

11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all *thy* children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, [c] Send and fetch him: for we will not sit ‖ down till he come hither.

12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he *was* [f] ruddy, *and* withal [e] of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. [g] And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this *is* he.

13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and [h] anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the [i] Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

14 ¶ But [l] the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and [m] an evil spirit from the LORD † troubled him.

15 And Saul's servants said unto him,

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[a] Ex. 17. 11. Nu. 14. 45. Ju. 1. 7.
[b] Ge. 41. 46. 1 Ki. 10. 9.
[c] ch. 11. 4.
[d] 2 Ki. 3. 15.
[e] ch. 19. 24.
[f] Je. 9. 1, 2. Ro. 9. 1, 3.
[e] or, *speech.*
[g] ch. 3. 19.
[h] ch. 9. 16. 2 Ki. 9. 1.
[i] Ps. 78. 70. 89. 19, 20. Ac. 13. 22.
[k] Ge. 43. 11. Pr. 18. 16.
† *in thine hand.*
[l] ch. 20. 29.
[m] Pr. 22. 29.
[n] Ex. 4. 12.
[o] ch. 21. 1.
‡ *meeting.*
[p] 1 Ki. 2. 13. 2 Ki. 9. 22.
[r] Ex. 19. 10, 14.
[s] ch. 13. 5.
[t] 1 Ch. 27. 18. *Elihu.*
[u] Jos. 15. 35. 2 Ch. 29. 18.
[v] 1 Ki. 12. 26.
§ or, *the coast of Dammim,* called *Pas-dammim.* 1 Ch. 11. 13.
[x] Ps. 147. 10, 11.
‖ *ranged the battle.*
[y] Is. 55. 8.
[z] 2 Co. 10. 7.
[a] *eyes.*
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 39. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Ps. 7. 9. Je. 11. 20. 17. 10. 20. 12. Ac. 1. 24.
† *Shimeah,* 2 Sa. 13. 3. *Shamma.* 1 Ch. 2. 13.
[b] 2 Sa. 21. 19.
[c] Jos. 11. 23. 1 Ch. 20. 5, 8.
‡ *clothed.*
§ or, *gorget.* 1 Ki. 10. 16.
[d] 2 Sa. 21. 19.
[e] 2 Sa. 7. 8. Ps. 78. 70.
‖ *round.*
[f] Ca. 5. 10.
[e] *fair of eyes.*
[g] ch. 9. 17.
[h] Ps. 89. 20.
[i] Nu. 27. 18. Ju. 11. 29. 14. 6.
[k] ch. 11. 1.
[l] Ps. 51. 11.
[m] ver. 23. 2 Sa. 21. 21.
[n] Ju. 9. 23.
[o] Job 40. 9...12 Ps. 9. 4, 5. Pr. 16. 18. Je. 9. 23.
† or, *terrified.*

Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee.

16 Let our lord now command thy servants, *which are* [k] before thee, to seek out a man, *who is* a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon thee, that he shall [d] play with his hand, and thou shalt be well.

17 And Saul said unto his servants, Provide me now a man that can play well, and bring *him* to me.

18 Then answered one of the servants, and said, Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Beth-lehemite, *that is* cunning in playing, and a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in [e] matters, and a comely person, and [f] the LORD is with him.

19 ¶ Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me David thy son, which *is* with the sheep.

20 And Jesse [k] took an ass *laden* with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and sent *them* by David his son unto Saul.

21 And David came to Saul, and [m] stood before him: and he loved him greatly; and he became his armourbearer.

22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight.

23 And it came to pass, when the [n] evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

CHAP. XVII.

NOW the Philistines [o] gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at [n] Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in § Ephes-dammim.

2 And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of Elah, and ‖ set the battle in array against the Philistines.

3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and *there was* a valley between them.

4 ¶ And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named [b] Goliath, of [c] Gath, whose height *was* six cubits and a span.

5 And *he had* an helmet of brass upon his head, and *he was* ‡ armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat *was* five thousand shekels of brass.

6 And *he had* greaves of brass upon his legs, and a § target of brass between his shoulders.

7 And the [d] staff of his spear *was* like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head *weighed* six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him.

8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come out to set *your* battle in array? *am* not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me.

9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and [k] serve us.

10 And the Philistine said, I [m] defy the armies of Israel this day; [e] give me a man, that we may fight together.

11 When Saul and all Israel heard those

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words of the Philistine, [e] they were dismayed, and greatly afraid.

12 ¶ Now David *was* [b] the son of that [c] Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name *was* Jesse; and he had [d] eight sons: and the man went among men *for* an old man in the days of Saul.

13 And the three eldest sons of Jesse went *and* followed Saul to the battle: and the [g] names of his three sons that went to the battle *were* Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah.

14 And David *was* the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.

15 But David went and returned from Saul [i] to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem.

16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.

17 And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now *for* thy brethren an ephah of this [k] parched *corn*, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren;

18 And carry these ten [§] cheeses unto the captain of [l] *their* thousand, and [l] look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.

19 Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, *were* in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

20 ¶ And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the [†] trench, as the host was going forth to the [‡] fight, and shouted for the battle.

21 For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

22 And David left [§] his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and [‖] saluted his brethren.

23 And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake [e] according to the same words: and David heard *them*.

24 And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled [z] from him, and were sore afraid.

25 And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, *that* the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and [r] will give him his daughter, and make his father's house [s] free in Israel.

26 And David spake to the men that stood *by* him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away [t] the reproach from Israel? for who *is* this [v] uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of [x] the living God?

27 And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him.

28 ¶ And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's [y] anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.

29 And David said, What have I now done? *Is there* not a cause?

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[e] Pr. 29. 1. Is. 51. 12, 13. 57. 11.
[e] *sword.*
[b] ch. 16. 1, 18. Ru. 4. 22.
[c] Ge. 35. 19.
[d] ch. 16. 10, 11.
[g] *took him.*
[i] De. 20. 1, 3. Ps. 27. 1, 3.
[f] ch. 16. 18.
[g] 1 Ch. 2. 13.
[h] Nu. 13. 31. De. 9. 2.
[i] ch. 16. 19.
[k] *or, kid.*
[l] Ru. 2. 14. 2 Sa. 17. 28.
[§] *cheeses of milk.*
[l] *a thousand* Ge. 37. 14. Ac. 15. 36. Ro. 12. 10. 1 Th. 3. 5, 6.
[m] Ps. 18. 16, 17. 63. 7. 77. 11. 2 Co. 1. 10. 2 Ti. 4. 17, 18.
[n] ch. 30. 13. 1 Ch. 22. 11, 16.
[o] *clothed David with his clothes.*
[†] *or, place of the carriage.* ch. 26. 5.
[‡] *or, battle array, or, place of fight.*
[§] *the vessels from upon him.*
[‖] *asked his brethren of peace.* Ju. 18. 15.
[e] *or, valley.*
[z] ver. 8.
[†] *vessel.*
[z] *from his face.*
[p] Ps. 123. 4, 5. 1 Co. 1. 27, 28
[r] ch. 16. 12.
[s] Jos. 15. 16.
[t] 2 Sa. 3. 8. 9. 8. 16. 9.
2 Ki. 8. 13.
[u] Ezr. 7. 24. Mat. 17. 26.
[v] 1 Ki. 20. 10, 11
[x] ch. 11. 2.
[y] ch. 14. 6.
[z] De. 5. 26.
[a] 2 Sa. 22. 33, 35. Ps. 124. 8. 125. 1. 2 Co. 10. 4.
[b] ver. 10.
[§] *shut thee up.*
[c] Ge. 37. 4, 8, 11 Mat. 10. 36.
[d] De. 28. 26.
[e] Jos. 4. 24. 1 Ki. 8. 43. Is. 52. 10.
[f] Ps. 44. 6, 7. Ho. 1. 7. Zec. 4. 6.

30 ¶ And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same [e] manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.

31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed *them* before Saul: and he [†] sent for him.

32 ¶ And David said to Saul, [z] Let no man's heart fail because of him; [f] thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.

33 And Saul said to David, [h] Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou *art but* a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.

34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a [i] lamb out of the flock:

35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught *him* by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.

36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God.

37 David said moreover, [m] The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and [n] the LORD be with thee.

38 ¶ And Saul [o] armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail.

39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved *them*. And David put them off him.

40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the [e] brook, and put them in a shepherd's [†] bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling *was* in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.

41 And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield *went* before him.

42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he [p] disdained him: for he was *but* a youth, and [r] ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

43 And the Philistine said unto David, [t] *Am* I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

44 And the Philistine [u] said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.

45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword and with a spear, and with a shield: [a] but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast [b] defied.

46 This day will the LORD [§] deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give [c] the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; [d] that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.

47 And all this assembly shall know that the LORD [f] saveth not with swor

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and spear: for [c] the battle *is* the LORD'S, and he will give you into our hands.

48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

50 So [d] David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but *there was* no sword in the hand of David.

51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, [e] they fled.

52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to [o] Shaarim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.

54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

55 [p] And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, [r] whose son *is* this youth? And Abner said, *As* thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell.

56 And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling *is*.

57 And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand.

58 And Saul said to him, Whose son *art* thou, *thou* young man? And David answered, [s] *I am* the son of thy servant Jesse the Beth-lehemite.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that [a] the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, [b] and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

2 And Saul took him that day, [d] and would let him go no more home to his father's house.

3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.

4 And Jonathan [f] stripped himself of the robe that *was* upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

5 ¶ And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, *and* [g] behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the [t] Philistine, that [i] the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with [z] instruments of musick.

7 And the women [l] answered *one another* as they played, and said, [m] Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.

8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying [n] displeased him; [k] and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what* can he have more but [r] the kingdom?

9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

10 [s] And it came to pass on the morrow, that [t] the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, [f] and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: [u] and *there was* a javelin in Saul's hand.

11 And Saul [h] cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall *with it*. And David avoided out of his presence twice.

12 [v] And Saul was [k] afraid of David, because [l] the LORD was with him, and was [m] departed from Saul.

13 Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand; and [n] he went out and came in before the people.

14 And David [y] behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and [p] the LORD *was* with him.

15 Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he was afraid of him.

16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.

17 ¶ And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, [q] her will I give thee to wife: only be thou [z] valiant for me, and fight [r] the LORD'S battles. For Saul said, [s] Let not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.

18 And David said unto Saul, [t] Who *am* I? and what *is* my life, *or* my father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?

19 But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter should have been given to David, that she was given unto [y] Adriel the [x] Meholathite to wife.

20 And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing [§] pleased him.

21 And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be [a] a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt [b] this day be my son in law in *the one of* the twain.

22 [c] And Saul commanded his servants, *saying*, Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his servants love thee: now therefore be the king's son in law.

23 And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David. And David said, Seemeth it to you a light *thing* to be a king's son in law, seeing that I *am* a poor man, [z] and lightly esteemed?

24 And the servants of Saul told him, saying, [a] On this manner spake David.

25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any [b] dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be [d] avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.

26 And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be

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[c] 2 Ch. 20. 15. Ps. 27. 1. 46. 11. Zec. 4. 6. Ro. 8. 31, 37.
[o] *was evil in his eyes.*
[b] Ec. 4. 4.
[e] ch. 15. 28.
[d] Ju. 3. 31. 15. 15.
[o] ch. 16. 14.
[f] 1 Ki. 18. 29.
[g] ch. 19. 9.
[h] ch. 20. 33. Pr. 27. 4.
[i] He. 11. 34.
[k] ver. 15, 29.
[l] ch. 16. 13, 18.
[m] ch. 28. 15.
[n] Nu. 27. 17. 2 Sa. 5. 2.
[o] Jos. 15. 36.
[p] or, *prospered.* ver. 5.
[q] Ge. 39. 2, 23. Jos. 6. 27. Ac. 18. 10.
[r] ch. 16. 21, 22.
[s] ch. 17. 25.
[t] *a son of valour.*
[t] ch. 25. 28. Nu. 32. 20. 27. 20.
[u] 2 Sa. 12. 9.
[v] ch. 9. 21. 2 Sa. 7. 18.
[x] ver. 12.
[y] 2 Sa. 21. 8.
[z] Ju. 7. 22.
[a] Ge. 44. 30. Ps. 86. 11. Col. 2. 2.
[§] *was right in his eyes.*
[b] ch. 19. 2. 20. 17. De. 13. 6. 2 Sa. 7. 26.
[c] Pr. 18. 24.
[c] Ex. 10. 7. Ps. 7. 14. 16 38. 12. Pr. 26. 24. 28. 29. 5.
[d] Jo. 5. 26. 9. 8.
[d] ch. 17. 15.
[e] ver. 26.
[f] Ge. 41. 42. Es 6. 8, 9. Is. 61. 10. Lu. 15. 22. Phi. 2. 7, 8.
‖ or, *prospered.* ver. 14, 15, 30
[g] Ps. 119. 141.
[o] *According to these words.*
[h] Ge. 34. 12. Ex. 22. 17.
[t] or, *Philistines.*
[i] Ex. 15. 20. Ju. 11. 34.
[k] ch. 14. 24.
[z] *three-stringed instruments.*
[l] Ex. 15. 21.
[m] ch. 21. 11. 29. 5.

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the king's son in law: and [a] the days were not [a] expired.

27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and [b] his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men: and [c] David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife.

28 ¶ And Saul saw and [d] knew that the LORD was with David, and *that* Michal Saul's daughter loved him.

29 And Saul was [e] yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became David's enemy continually.

30 Then the princes of the Philistines went [f] forth: and it came to pass, after they went forth, *that* David [g] behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was much [h] set by.

CHAP. XIX.

AND Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should kill David. And Jonathan Saul's son [i] delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide in a secret *place*, and hide thyself: 3 And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou *art*, and I will commune with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee.

4 ¶ And Jonathan [k] spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the king [l] sin against his servant, against David; because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his works *have been* to thee-ward very good: 5 For he did put his [m] life in his hand, and [n] slew the Philistine, and [o] the LORD wrought a great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest *it*, and didst rejoice: [p] wherefore then wilt thou [q] sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause?

6 And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul sware, *As* the LORD liveth, he shall not be slain.

7 And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, [r] as [s] in times past.

8 ¶ And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled from [t] him.

9 And [u] the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with *his* hand.

10 And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the javelin; [v] but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night.

11 Saul [w] also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal David's wife told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain.

12 ¶ So Michal [x] let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.

13 And Michal took an [y] image, and laid *it* in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster, and covered *it* with a cloth.

14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He *is* sick.

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[a] ver. 21.
[a] *fulfilled.*
[b] ver. 13.
[c] 2 Sa. 3. 14.
[d] Ja. 2. 19.
[e] 2 Sa. 3. 22.
[f] Ja. 5. 16.
[g] Ps.37.12..14 Ec. 4. 4. Ja. 4. 5.
[h] Pr. 29. 12.
[i] 2 Sa. 11. 1.
[k] Ps. 119. 99. Da. 1. 20. Lu. 21. 15. Ep. 5. 15.
[l] Jno.7.32,45.
[m] ch. 10. 5, 6. 1 Co.14.21,25
† *precious.* ch. 26. 21. 2 Ki. 1. 13. Ps. 116. 15.
[n] Nu. 11. 25. Joel 2. 28.
[o] ch. 18. 1.
[p] ch. 10. 10.
[q] Pr. 31. 8, 9.
[r] Is. 20. 2.
[s] Ge. 42. 22. Ps. 35. 12. 109. 5. Pr. 17. 13. Je. 18. 20.
[t] *fell.* Nu. 24. 4.
[u] 2Sa.6.14,20 Mi. 1. 8.
[v] ch. 10. 11.
[w] Ps. 119. 109.
[x] ch.17.49,50
[y] 1 Sa. 11. 13. 1 Ch. 11. 14.
[z] ch. 20. 32.
[a] Mat. 27. 4.
[b] Ps. 2. 3..5. 2 Co. 1. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 21.
§ *uncover mine ear.* ver. 12. ch. 9. 15.
[c] ch. 16. 21. 18.2,13.
‖ *yesterday third day.*
[d] *his face.*
[e] ch. 16. 14. Ps. 27. 4.
[f] De. 29. 66. Ps. 116. 3. 1 Co. 15. 30, 31. 2 Co.1.9,10.
† or, *Say what is thy mind, and I will do.*
‡ *speaketh,* or,*thinketh*
[g] Is. 54. 17. Lu. 4. 30. 1 Jno. 5. 18. 10. 39. 2 Co. 11. 33.
[h] Nu. 10. 10.
[i] Ps.59,title.
[k] ch. 16. 4.
[l] Jos. 2. 15. Ac. 9.24,25.
§ or, *feast.* ch. 9. 12.
[m] De. 1. 23. 2 Sa. 17. 4.
‖ *teraphim.* Ge. 31. 19. Ju. 17. 5.
[n] Es. 7. 7.
[o] Pr. 3. 3.

15 And Saul sent the messengers *again* to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him.

16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, *there was* an image in the bed, with a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster.

17 And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; [a] why should I kill thee?

18 ¶ So David fled, and escaped, [b] and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.

19 And it was told Saul, saying, [c] Behold, David *is* at Naioth in Ramah.

20 And [d] Saul sent messengers to take David: [m] and when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing *as* appointed over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also [n] prophesied.

21 And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise. And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also.

22 Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that *is* in Sechu; and he asked and said, Where *are* Samuel and David? And *one* said, Behold, *they be* at Naioth in Ramah.

23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and [o] the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

24 And [e] he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down [p] naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, [q] *Is* Saul also among the prophets?

CHAP. XX.

AND David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan, [r] What have I done? what *is* mine iniquity? and what *is* my sin before thy father, that he seeketh my life?

2 And he said unto him, God forbid; thou shalt not die: behold, my father will do nothing either great or small, but that he will § shew it me: and why should my father hide this thing from me? it *is* not *so*.

3 And David sware moreover, and said, Thy father certainly knoweth that I have found grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved: but truly *as* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, [f] *there is* but a step between me and death.

4 Then said Jonathan unto David, † Whatsoever thy soul ‡ desireth, I will even do *it* for thee.

5 And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to morrow *is* the [k] new moon, and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the third *day* at even.

6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, David earnestly asked *leave* of me that he might run to [l] Beth-lehem his city; for *there is* a yearly § sacrifice there for all the family.

7 If [m] he say thus, *It is* well; thy servant shall have peace: but if he be very wroth, *then* be sure that [n] evil is determined by him.

8 Therefore thou shalt [o] deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast brought

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thy servant into a covenant of the LORD with thee: notwithstanding, [a] if there be in me iniquity, slay me thyself; for why shouldest thou bring me to thy father?

9 And Jonathan said, Far be it from thee: for if I knew certainly that evil were determined by my father to come upon thee, then would not I tell it thee?

10 Then said David to Jonathan, Who shall tell me? or what *if* thy father [b] answer thee roughly?

11 ¶ And Jonathan said unto David, Come, and let us go out into the field. And they went out both of them into the field.

12 And Jonathan said unto David, O LORD God of Israel, when I have [†]sounded my father about to morrow any time, *or* the third *day*, and, behold, *if there be* good toward David, and I then send not unto thee, and [‡]shew it thee;

13 The [c] LORD do so and much more to Jonathan: but if it [d]please my father *to do* thee evil, then I will shew it thee, and send thee away, that thou mayest go in peace: and [e] the LORD be with thee, as he hath been with my father.

14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live shew me the kindness of the LORD, that I die not:

15 But *also* [f] thou shalt not cut off thy kindness from my house for ever: no, not when the LORD hath cut off the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth.

16 So Jonathan ‖ made *a covenant* with the house of David, *saying*, [g] Let the LORD even require *it* at the hand of David's enemies.

17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again, [h] because he loved him: [m] for he loved him as he loved his own soul.

18 Then Jonathan said to David, [n] To morrow *is* the new moon: and thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be [‡]empty.

19 And *when* thou hast stayed three days, *then* thou shalt go down [§]quickly, and come to [o] the place where thou didst hide thyself ‖ when the business was *in hand*, and shalt remain by the stone [o] Ezel.

20 And I will shoot three arrows on the side *thereof*, as though I shot at a mark.

21 And, behold, I will send a lad, *saying*, Go, find out the arrows. If I expressly say unto the lad, Behold, the arrows *are* on this side of thee, take them; then come thou: for *there is* peace to thee, and [§]no hurt; [p] *as* the LORD liveth.

22 But if I say thus unto the young man, Behold, the arrows *are* beyond thee; go thy way: for the LORD hath sent thee away.

23 And *as touching* [r] the matter which thou and I have spoken of, behold, the LORD *be* between thee and me for ever.

24 ¶ So David hid himself in the field: and when the new moon was come, the king [t] sat him down to eat meat.

25 And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, *even* upon a seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side, and David's place was empty.

26 Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day: for he thought, Something hath befallen him, he is [u] not clean; surely he *is* not clean.

27 And it came to pass on the morrow, *which was* the second *day* of the month, that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat, neither yesterday, nor to day?

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[a] 2 Sa. 14. 32. Ps. 7. 4, 5. Ac. 25. 11.
[b] Ge. 42. 7, 30. 1 Ki. 12. 13. Pr. 18. 23.
[c] Job 5. 2. Pr. 14. 29. Ja. 1. 19, 20.
[d] *Son of perverse rebellion*, or, *Thou perverse rebel.*
[†] *searched.*
[‡] *uncover thine ear.* ver. 2.
[e] Ru. 1. 17.
[f] *is the son of death.*
[g] ch. 19. 5. Ge. 27. 23. Lu. 23. 22.
[h] Jos. 1. 5. 1 Ch. 22. 11, 16.
[m] ch. 18. 11.
[n] ver. 7.
[‡] 2 Sa. 9. 1, 3, 7. 21. 7.
[o] Ec. 7. 20. Ep. 4. 26.
‖ *cut.*
[p] 2 Sa. 4. 7. 21. 6.
[§] *or, by his love toward him.*
[m] ch. 18. 1.
[n] ver. 5.
[†] *to pass over.*
[‡] *missed.*
[§] *greatly*, or, *diligently.*
[o] ch. 19. 2.
‖ *in the day of the business.*
[o] *or, that sheweth the way.*
[†] *instruments.*
[‡] *the lad that was his.*
[§] *not any thing.*
[p] Jo. 2. 2.
[r] ver. 14, 15, 42
[t] ch. 1. 17. Nu. 6. 26. Lu. 7. 50. Ac. 16. 36.
‖ or, the LORD be witness of that *which*, &c. ver. 23.
[t] Pr. 15. 17. 17. 1.
[u] ch. 14. 3, called *Ahiah.* Called also *Ahiathar*, Mar. 2. 26.
[v] Le. 7. 21. 15. 5, &c.
[x] ch. 16. 4.
[y] Ge. 27. 30, 34. 1 Ki. 13. 18. 2 Ki. 5. 22, 25. Ps. 119. 29. Ac. 5. 8. Ga. 2. 12. Col. 3. 9.

28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David earnestly asked *leave* of me *to go* to Bethlehem:

29 And he said, Let me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and my brother, he hath commanded me *to be there*: and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren. Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table.

30 Then Saul's [x] anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, [y] Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman, do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion, and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness?

31 For as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established, nor thy kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for he [‡] shall surely die.

32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, [z] Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done?

33 And Saul [a] cast a javelin at him to smite him: [b] whereby Jonathan knew that it was determined of his father to slay David.

34 So Jonathan arose from the table [‡] in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David, because his father had done him shame.

35 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into the field at the time appointed with David, and a little lad with him.

36 And he said unto his lad, Run, find out now the arrows which I shoot. And as the lad ran, he shot an arrow [†] beyond him.

37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot, Jonathan cried after the lad, and said, *Is* not the arrow beyond thee?

38 And Jonathan cried after the lad, Make speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's lad gathered up the arrows, and came to his master.

39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Jonathan and David knew the matter.

40 And Jonathan gave his [†] artillery unto his lad, and said unto him, Go, carry *them* to the city.

41 ¶ *And* as soon as the lad was gone, David arose out of *a place* toward the south, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they kissed one another, and wept one with another, until David exceeded.

42 And Jonathan said to David, [c] Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed and my seed for ever. And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.

CHAP. XXI.

THEN came David to Nob to [d] Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was [e] afraid at the meeting of David, and said unto him, Why *art* thou alone, and no man with thee?

2 And David said unto Ahimelech the priest, [f] The king hath commanded me a business, and hath said unto me, Let no man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee, and which I have

[z] 1 Sa. 20. 32.
[a] ch. 18. 10, 11.
[b] ch. 20. 7, 9, 33.
[‡] *and did eat.*
[†] *further.*
[c] 1 Sa. 20. 42.
[d] *Ahiah.* ch. 14. 3.
[e] Ps. 48. 5, 6.
[f] Ge. 42. 16. Jos. 2. 4, 5.

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commanded thee: and I have appointed my servants to such and such a place.

3 Now therefore what is under thine hand? *give me* five *loaves of* bread in mine hand, or what there is ° present.

4 And the priest answered David, and said, *There is* no common bread under mine hand, but there is ‖ hallowed bread; *if* the young men have kept themselves at least from women.

5 And David answered the priest, and said unto him, Of a truth women *have been* kept from us about these three days, since I came out, and the ‡ vessels of the young men are holy, and *the bread is* in a manner common, † yea, though it were sanctified this day ‡ in the vessel.

6 So the priest ‖ gave him hallowed *bread*: for there was no bread there but the shewbread, ‖ that was taken from before the LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.

7 Now a certain man of the servants of Saul *was* there that day, detained before the LORD; and his name *was* ‖ Doeg, an Edomite, the chiefest of the herdmen that *belonged* to Saul.

8 ¶ And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under thine hand spear or sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste.

9 And the priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom thou slewest in ‖ the valley of Elah, ° behold, it *is here* wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod: if thou wilt take that, take *it*: for *there is* no other save that here. And David said, *There is* none like that; give it me.

10 ¶ And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to ° Achish the king of Gath.

11 And ° the servants of Achish said unto him, *Is* not this David the king of the land? did they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying, ° Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands?

12 And David ° laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of Achish the king of Gath.

13 And ‖ he changed his behaviour before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands, and † scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard.

14 Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see the man § is mad: wherefore *then* have ye brought him to me?

15 Have I need of mad men, that ye have brought this *fellow* to play the mad man in my presence? shall this *fellow* come into my house?

CHAP. XXII.

DAVID therefore departed thence, and ‖ escaped to ° the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard *it*, they went down thither to him.

2 And ° every one *that was* in distress, and every one that ° *was* in debt, and every one *that was* † discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.

3 ¶ And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, ° Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth, *and be* with you, till I know what God will do for me.

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° 2 Sa. 24. 11. 1 Ch. 21. 9. 2 Ch. 29. 25.
° *found.*
b Ex. 25. 30. Le. 24. 5. Mat. 12. 4.
° Ex. 19. 15. Zec. 7. 3.
† or, *grone in a high place.*
d 1 Th. 4. 4.
‡ or, *especially when this day there is* other *sanctified in the vessel.*
° Le. 8. 26.
f ch. 8. 14.
g Mar. 2. 25, 26.
h Le. 24. 8, 9.
§ *uncovereth mine ear.* ch. 20. 2. ch. 18. 3. 20. 30.
i Ps. 52. title.
k ch. 21. 7.
l Ps. 52. 1...3.
m Mar. 2. 26. *Abiathar.*
n ch. 14. 3.
o Nu. 27. 21.
p ch. 21. 6, 9.
q ch. 17. 2, 50.
r ch. 31. 10.
‖ *Behold me.*
° or, *Abimelech,* Ps. 34. title.
s Am. 7. 10. Lu. 23. 2...5.
t Ps. 56. title.
u ch. 18. 7. 29. 5.
x Lu. 2. 19.
y Ps. 34. title.
† or, *made marks.*
z Ge. 20. 5, 6. 2 Sa. 15. 11. 2 Co. 1. 12. 1 Pe. 3. 16, 17
‡ *little or great.*
§ or, *playeth the mad man.*
a 1 Ki. 19. 2. Pr. 26. 15. Da. 2. 5, 12. 3. 19, 20. Ac. 12. 19.
‖ *runners,* or, *guard.*
b Ps. 57. title. 142. title.
c 2 Sa. 23. 13.
d Ex. 1. 17.
‖ Ki. 1. 13, 14. Ac. 4. 19.
e Ju. 11. 3.
° *had a creditor.*
† *bitter of soul.*
f 2 Ch. 24. 21. Ho. 7. 3. Mi. 6. 16.
g ch. 2. 31.
h Is. 10. 32.
i Ge. 47. 11. Ex. 20. 12. Mar. 7. 10. 13.
1 Ti. 5. 4.

4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that David was in the hold.

5 ¶ And the prophet ° Gad said unto David, Abide not in the hold; depart, and get thee into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.

6 ¶ When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that *were* with him, (now Saul abode in Gibeah under a † tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants *were* standing about him;)

7 Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye Benjamites; will the son of Jesse *f* give every one of you fields and vineyards, *and* make you all captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds;

8 That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is* none that § sheweth me that ‖ my son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is* none of you that is sorry for me, or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

9 ¶ Then answered ‖ Doeg the Edomite, which was set over the servants of Saul, and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to ‖ Ahimelech the son of ‖ Ahitub.

10 And ° he enquired of the LORD for him, and ‖ gave him victuals, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.

11 Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that *were* in Nob: and they came all of them to the king.

12 And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered, ‖ Here I *am*, my lord.

13 And Saul said unto him, ° Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

14 Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who *is so* faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?

15 Did I then begin to enquire of God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute *any* thing unto his servant, *nor* to all the house of my father: ° for thy servant knew nothing of all this, ‡ less or more.

16 And the king said, ° Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy father's house.

17 ¶ And the king said unto the ‖ footmen that stood about him, Turn, and slay the priests of the LORD; because their hand also *is* with David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not shew it to me. But the servants of the king ° would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of the LORD.

18 And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and ° he fell upon the priests, and ° slew on that day fourscore and five persons that did wear a linen ephod.

19 And ‖ Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

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20 ¶ And [a] one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, [b] escaped, and fled after David.

21 And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain the LORD's priests.

22 And David said unto Abiathar, I knew *it* that day, when Doeg the Edomite *was* there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned *the death* of all the persons of thy father's house.

23 Abide thou with me, fear not: [f] for he that seeketh my life seeketh thy life: [h] but with me thou *shalt be* in safeguard.

CHAP. XXIII.

THEN they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines fight against [i] Keilah, and they rob the threshingfloors.

2 Therefore David [k] enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go and smite these Philistines? And the LORD said unto David, Go and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah.

3 And David's men said unto him, Behold, we be afraid here in Judah: how much more then if we come to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?

4 Then David enquired of the LORD yet again. And the LORD answered him and said, Arise, go down to Keilah; [m] for I will deliver the Philistines into thine hand.

5 So David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines, and brought away their cattle, and smote them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech [p] fled to David to Keilah, *that* he came down *with* an ephod in his hand.

7 ¶ And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said, God hath delivered him into mine hand; for he is shut in, by entering into a town that hath gates and bars.

8 And Saul called all the people together to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David and his men.

9 [q] And David knew that Saul secretly practised mischief against him; and [m] he said to Abiathar the priest, Bring hither the ephod.

10 Then said David, O LORD God of Israel, thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah, [r] to destroy the city for my sake.

11 Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, as thy servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD said, He will come down.

12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said, [s] They will deliver *thee* up.

13 [t] Then David and his men, [h] *which were* about six hundred, arose and departed out of Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah; and he forbare to go forth.

14 And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained in [f] a mountain in the wilderness of [h] Ziph. And Saul [i] sought him every day, [k] but God delivered him not into his hand.

15 And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David *was* in the wilderness of Ziph in a wood.

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[a] ch. 23. 6.
[b] ch. 2. 33. Job 1.15.19.
[c] Lu. 22. 32. Ro. 12. 15. 2 Ti. 2. 1. He. 12.12,13
[d] ch. 24. 20.
[e] ch. 18. 3. 20.16.42.
[f] 2 Sa. 21. 7.
[f] 1 Ki. 2. 26.
[g] ch. 26. 1. Ps. 54. title.
[h] Jno. 10. 28. 30.
[e] *on the right hand.*
† or, *the wilderness.*
[i] Jos. 15. 44.
[k] ver. 6. 9. ch. 30. 8. 2 Sa. 5. 19, 23. Ps. 32. 8. Pr. 3. 5, 6. Je. 10. 23.
[l] Ps. 54. 3.
‡ *foot shall be*
[m] 2 Sa. 5. 19. 2 Ki. 3. 18.
[n] Ro. 3. 15, 16.
[o] ch. 25. 2. Jos. 15. 55.
[p] ch. 22. 20.
§ or, *from the rock.*
[r] Ps. 31. 22.
[s] Ps. 17. 9.
[t] 2 Ki. 19. 9.
[u] ch. 30. 7. Nu. 27. 21.
|| *spread themselves upon, &c.*
[v] ch. 22. 19.
[e] i.e. *the rock of darkness*
[x] 2 Ch. 20. 2.
[y] ch. 23. 28.
† *after.*
‡ *shut up.*
[z] Ps. 62. 1. 118. 8. Ec. 9.14,15. Is. 29. 15. He. 4. 13.
[a] Ps. 38. 12.
[b] ch. 22. 2. 25. 13.
[c] Ps. 141. 6.
[d] Ju. 3. 24.
[e] Ps. 57, title. 142, title.
[f] ch. 26. 9.
[g] Ps. 11. 1.
[h] Jos. 15. 55.
[i] Ps. 54. 3, 4. Pr. 1. 18.
[k] Pr. 21. 30. Je. 36. 26. Ro. 8. 31. 2 Ti. 3. 11. 4. 17,18.
§ *the robe which was Saul's.*

16 ¶ And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and [c] strengthened his hand in God.

17 And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee: and [d] that also Saul my father knoweth.

18 And they two [e] made a covenant before the LORD: and David abode in the wood, and Jonathan went to his house.

19 [t] Then [g] came up the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David hide himself with us in strong holds in the wood, in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* [e] on the south of † Jeshimon?

20 Now therefore, O king, come down according to all the desire of thy soul to come down; and [i] our part *shall be* to deliver him into the king's hand.

21 And Saul said, Blessed *be* ye of the LORD; for ye have compassion on me.

22 Go, I pray you, prepare yet, and know and see his place where his † haunt is, *and* who hath seen him there: for it is told me *that* he dealeth very subtilly.

23 See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places where he hideth himself, and come ye again to me with the certainty, and I will go with you: and it shall come to pass, if he be in the land, that [m] I will search him out throughout all the thousands of Judah.

24 And they arose, and went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his men *were* in the wilderness [e] of Maon, in the plain on the south of Jeshimon.

25 Saul also and his men went to seek *him*. And they told David: wherefore he came down ‡into a rock, and abode in the wilderness of Maon. And when Saul heard *that*, he pursued after David in the wilderness of Maon.

26 And Saul went on this side of the mountain, and David and his men on that side of the mountain: [r] and David made haste to get away for fear of Saul; for Saul and his men [s] compassed David and his men round about to take them.

27 [t] But [t] there came a messenger unto Saul, saying, Haste thee, and come; for the Philistines have † invaded the land.

28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after David, and went against the Philistines: therefore they called that place [e] Sela-hammahlekoth.

29 ¶ And David went up from thence, and dwelt in strong holds at [z] En-gedi.

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AND it came to pass, [y] when Saul was returned from † following the Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David *is* in the wilderness of En-gedi.

2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and [a] went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.

3 And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where *was* a cave; and [c] Saul went in to [d] cover his feet: and [c] David and his men remained in the sides of the cave.

4 And [f] the men of David said unto him, Behold the day of which the LORD said unto thee, Behold, I will deliver thine enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest do to him as it shall seem good unto thee. Then David arose, and cut off the skirt of § Saul's robe privily.

5 And it came to pass afterward, that

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[a] David's heart smote him, because he had cut off Saul's skirt.

6 And he said unto his men, [b] The LORD forbid that I should do this thing unto my master, the LORD's anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he *is* the anointed of the LORD.

7 So David [†] stayed [f] his servants with these words, and suffered them not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on *his* way.

8 David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself.

9 ¶ And David said to Saul, [h] Wherefore hearest thou men's words, saying, Behold, David seeketh thy hurt?

10 Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and *some* bade *me* kill thee: but *mine eye* spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; [m] for he *is* the LORD's anointed.

11 Moreover, [m] my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou and see that *there is* [p] neither evil nor transgression in mine hand, and I have not sinned against thee; yet thou [r] huntest my soul to take it.

12 The [t] LORD judge between me and thee, and the LORD avenge me of thee: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

13 As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

14 After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou pursue? after [u] a dead dog, after [v] a flea.

15 The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and [k] see, and [x] plead my cause, and [†] deliver me out of thine hand.

16 ¶ And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul, that Saul said, *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept.

17 And [e] he said to David, Thou *art* [d] more righteous than I: for [z] thou hast rewarded me good, whereas I have rewarded thee evil.

18 And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with me: forasmuch as when the LORD had [†] delivered me into thine hand, thou killedst me not.

19 For if a man find his enemy, will *he* let him go well away? wherefore the LORD reward thee good for that thou hast done unto me this day.

20 And now, behold, [k] I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in thine hand.

21 Swear [l] now therefore unto me by the LORD, [f] that thou wilt not cut off my seed after me, and that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my father's house.

22 And David [a] sware unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his men [g] gat them up unto [p] the hold.

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AND [r] Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and [s] lamented him, and buried him in his house at

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Ramah. And David arose, and went down [b] to the wilderness of Paran.

2 And *there was* a man [d] in Maon, whose [e] possessions *were* in [e] Carmel; and the man *was* very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.

3 Now the name of the man *was* Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and *she was* a woman of [f] good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man [h] *was* churlish and evil in his doings; and he *was* of the house of Caleb.

4 ¶ And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did [i] shear his sheep.

5 And David sent out ten young men, and David said unto the young men, Get you up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and [‡] greet him in my name:

6 And thus shall ye say to him that liveth *in prosperity*, [l] Peace *be* both to thee, and peace *be* to thine house, and peace *be* unto all that thou hast.

7 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers: now thy shepherds which were with us, we [§] hurt them not, [o] neither was there ought missing unto them, all the while they were in Carmel.

8 Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee. Wherefore let the young men find favour in thine eyes: for we come in [s] a good day: give, I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy servants, and to thy son David.

9 And when David's young men came, they spake to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David, and [‖] ceased.

10 ¶ And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, [m] Who *is* David? and who *is* the son of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break away every man from his master.

11 Shall [p] I then take my bread, and my water, and my [*] flesh that I have killed for my shearers, and give *it* unto men, [b] whom I know not whence they *be*?

12 So David's young men turned their way, and went again, and came and told him all those sayings.

13 And David said unto his men, Gird ye on every man his sword. And they girded on every man his sword; and David also girded on his sword: and there went up after David about four hundred men; and two hundred [f] abode by the stuff.

14 ¶ But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he [§] railed on them.

15 But the men *were* very good unto us, and [t] we were not [‖] hurt, neither missed we any thing, as long as we were conversant with them, when we were in the fields:

16 They were [t] a wall unto us both by night and day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep.

17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for [m] evil is determined against our master, and against all his houshold: for he *is such* a son of [n] Belial, that *a man* cannot speak to him.

18 ¶ Then Abigail made haste, and [e] took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched *corn*, and an hundred [*] clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid *them* on asses.

19 And she said unto her servants, [f] Go

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[a] 2 Sa. 24. 10.
[b] Ge. 21. 21. Ps. 120. 5.
[c] ch. 26. 11.
[d] ch. 23. 24.
[e] or, *business*
[f] Jos. 15. 55.
[†] *cut off.*
[f] Ps. 7. 4. Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 17, 19 1 Th. 5. 15.
[g] Pr. 14. 1. 31. 25...30.
[h] Ps. 10. 3. Is. 32. 6, 7.
[i] Ge. 38. 13.
[‡] 2 Sa. 13. 23.
[k] Ps. 141. 6. Pr. 16. 28. 17. 9.
[‡] *ask him in my name of peace.* ch. 17. 22.
[l] 1 Ch. 12. 18. Ps. 122. 7. Lu. 10. 5.
[m] Ps. 105. 15.
[n] Pr. 15. 1.
[§] *shamed.*
[o] ver. 15, 21. Lu. 3. 14.
[p] Ps. 7. 3. 35. 7. Jno. 15. 25.
[r] ch. 24. 20.
[s] Ne. 8. 10. Es. 9. 19.
[t] Ge. 16. 5. Ju. 11. 27. Job 5. 8.
[‖] *rested.*
[u] Ju. 9. 28. Ps. 73. 7, 8. 123. 3, 4.
[v] ch. 17. 43. 2 Sa. 9. 8.
[x] ch. 26. 30.
[y] Ju. 8. 6.
[z] 2 Ch. 24. 22.
[*] *slaughter.*
[a] Ps. 35. 1. 43. 1. 119. 154. Mi. 7. 9.
[†] *judge.*
[b] Ec. 11. 2.
[c] ch. 26. 21.
[d] Ge. 38. 26.
[e] Mat. 5. 44.
[f] ch. 30. 24.
[‡] *shut up.*
[§] *flew upon them.*
[t] ver. 7.
[‖] *shamed.*
[h] ch. 23. 17.
[i] Ex. 34. 22. Job 1. 10.
[k] Ge. 21. 23.
[l] 2 Sa. 21. 6, 8.
[m] ch. 20. 7.
[n] De. 13. 13. Ju. 19. 22.
[o] Ge. 38. 13. Pr. 18. 16. 21. 14.
[p] ch. 23. 29.
[r] ch. 28. 3.
[*] or, *lumps.*
[s] Nu. 20. 29. De. 34. 8.
[t] Ge. 32. 16, 20

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on before me; behold, I come after you. But she told not her husband Nabal.

20 And it was *so, as* she rode on the ass, that she came down by the covert of the hill, and, behold, David and his men came down against her; and she met them.

21 Now David had said, Surely in vain have I kept all that this *fellow* hath in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that *pertained* unto him: and he hath [a] requited me evil for good.

22 So *and* more also do God unto the enemies of David, if I [b] leave of all that *pertain* to him by the morning light [c] any that pisseth against the wall.

23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and [d] lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,

24 And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, *upon* me *let this* iniquity *be:* and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine [e] audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, [f] regard this man of Belial, *even* Nabal: for as his name *is, so is* he; [g] Nabal *is* his name, and folly *is* with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.

26 Now therefore, my lord, [h] *as* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD hath [i] withholden thee from coming to *shed* blood, and from [k] avenging [l] thyself with thine own hand, now [m] let thine enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.

27 And now [n] this [o] blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that [p] follow my lord.

28 I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for [q] the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord [r] fighteth the battles of the LORD, and [s] evil hath not been found in thee *all* thy days.

29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God; and the souls of thine enemies, them shall he [t] sling out, [u] *as out* of the middle of a sling.

30 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my lord according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee, and shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel;

31 That this shall be [v] no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid.

32 ¶ And David said to Abigail, [w] Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which sent thee this day to meet me:

33 And blessed *be* thy advice, and blessed *be* thou, which hast [x] kept me this day from coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.

34 For in very deed, *as* the LORD God of Israel liveth, which hath kept me back from hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.

35 So David received of her hand *that* which she had brought him, and said

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[a] ch. 20. 42. 2 Sa. 15. 9. 2 Ki. 5. 19. Lu. 7. 50. 8. 48.
[b] Ge. 19. 32.
[c] 2 Sa. 13. 23.
[d] Pr. 25. 26.
[e] Ps. 109. 5. Pr. 17. 13.
[f] ch. 3. 17. 20. 13, 16. Ru. 1. 17.
[g] ver. 34.
[h] Job 15. 21, 22
[i] 1 Ki. 14. 10. 21. 21. 2 Ki. 9. 8.
[k] Jos. 15. 18. Ju. 1. 14.
[l] Ps. 58. 10, 11.
[m] Pr. 22. 23.
[n] 2 Co. 13. 7. 1 Th. 5. 23.
[o] *gift.*
[p] 1 Ki. 2. 44. Ps. 7. 16.
[q] † *lay it to his heart.*
[r] i. e. *fool.*
[s] 2 Ki. 2. 2.
[t] Ge. 20. 6.
[u] Ru. 2. 10, 13. Pr. 15. 33.
[v] § *saving thyself.*
[w] Ro. 12. 19.
[x] 2 Sa. 18. 32
[y] || *at her feet.* ver. 27.
[z] ch. 30. 26. Ge. 33. 11. 2 Ki. 5. 15.
[a] or, *present.*
[b] Jos. 15. 56.
[c] † *walk at the feet of, &c.* ver. 42. Ju. 4. 10.
[d] ch. 27. 3. 30. 5.
[e] 2 Sa. 3. 14.
[f] 2 Sa. 7. 11, 27. 1 Ki. 9. 5. 1 Ch. 17. 10, 25.
[g] ‡ *Phaltiel.* 2 Sa. 3. 15.
[h] Is. 10. 30.
[i] ch. 18. 17.
[k] ch. 24. 11.
[l] ch. 23. 19. Ps. 54, title.
[m] Je. 10. 18.
[n] § *in the midst of the bow of a sling.*
[o] || *no staggering,* or, *stumbling.*
[p] ch. 14. 50.
[q] Ge. 24. 27. Ex. 18. 10. Ps. 41. 13. 72. 18. Lu. 1. 68.
[r] or, *midst of his carriages.* ch. 17. 20.
[s] ver. 26.
[t] 1 Ch. 2. 16.
[u] Ju. 7. 10, 11.
[v] † *shut up.* ch. 24. 18.

unto her, [a] Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have [b] accepted thy person.

36 ¶ And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, [c] he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart *was* merry within him, for he *was* very drunken: [d] wherefore she told him nothing less or more, until the morning light.

37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that [e] his heart died within him, and he became *as* a stone.

38 And it came to pass about ten days *after*, that the LORD smote Nabal, that he died.

39 ¶ And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, [f] Blessed *be* the LORD, that hath [m] pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath [k] kept his servant from evil: for the LORD hath [o] returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head. And David sent and communed with Abigail, to take her to him to wife.

40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake unto her, saying, David sent us unto thee, to take thee to him to wife.

41 And she arose, and bowed herself on *her* face to the earth, and said, Behold, *let* [o] thine handmaid *be a* servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord.

42 And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of her's that went ‡ after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife.

43 David also took Ahinoam of [p] Jezreel; [p] and they were also both of them his wives.

44 ¶ But Saul had given [q] Michal his daughter, David's wife, to ‡ Phalti the son of Laish, which *was* of [r] Gallim.

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AND the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, [s] Doth not David hide himself in the hill of Hachilah, *which is* before Jeshimon?

2 Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph.

3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* before Jeshimon, by the way. But David abode in the wilderness, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness.

4 David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was come in very deed.

5 ¶ And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched: and David beheld the place where Saul lay, and [t] Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host: and Saul lay in the [u] trench, and the people pitched round about him.

6 Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai [x] the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, Who will [y] go down with me to Saul to the camp? And Abishai said, I will go down with thee.

7 So David and Abishai came to the people by night: and, behold, Saul lay sleeping within the trench, and his spear stuck in the ground at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay round about him.

8 Then said Abishai to David, God hath [z] delivered thine enemy into thine hand

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this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with the spear even to the earth at once, and I will not *smite* him the second time.

9 And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not: [b] for who can stretch forth his hand against the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless?

10 David said furthermore, *As* the LORD liveth, [d] the LORD shall smite him; or [e] his day shall come to die; or he shall descend [f] into battle, and perish.

11 The [g] LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed: but, I pray thee, take thou now the spear that *is* at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and let us go.

12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and they gat them away, and no man saw *it*, nor knew *it*, neither awaked: for they were all asleep; because [h] a deep sleep from the LORD was fallen upon them.

13 ¶ Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of an hill afar off; a great space *being* between them:

14 And David cried to the people, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, Answerest thou not, Abner? Then Abner answered and said, Who *art* thou *that* criest to the king?

15 And David said to Abner, *Art* not thou a *valiant* man? and who *is* like to thee in Israel? wherefore then hast thou not kept thy lord the king? for there came one of the people in to destroy the king thy lord.

16 This thing *is* not good that thou hast done. *As* the LORD liveth, ye *are* worthy to die, because ye have not kept your master, the LORD's anointed. And now see where the king's spear *is*, and the cruse of water that *was* at his bolster.

17 And Saul knew David's voice, and said, [r] *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And David said, *It is* my voice, my lord, O king.

18 And he said, [s] Wherefore doth my lord thus pursue after his servant? for what have I done? or what evil *is* in mine hand?

19 Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king hear the words of his servant. If the LORD have [u] stirred thee up against me, let him [t] accept an offering: but if *they be* the children of men, cursed *be they* before the LORD; [x] for they have driven me out this day from [y] abiding in the [z] inheritance of the LORD, saying, Go, serve other gods.

20 Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth before the face of the LORD: for the king of Israel is come out to seek [a] a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains.

21 ¶ Then said Saul, [b] I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will no more do thee harm, because my soul was [c] precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.

22 And David answered and said, Behold the king's spear! and let one of the young men come over and fetch it.

23 The [d] LORD render to every man his righteousness and his faithfulness: for the LORD delivered thee into *my* hand to day, but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed.

24 And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes, [f] so let my life

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[a] Ac. 14. 22. 2 Co.1.9,10. 2 Th. 3. 2. Re. 7. 14.
[b] 2 Sa. 1. 16.
[c] Ge. 32. 28. Is. 54. 17. Ro.8.35..37
[d] ch. 25. 38. Ps.94.1,2,23 Lu. 18. 7. Ro. 12. 19.
[e] Ge. 47. 29. De. 31. 14. Job 7. 1. 14. 5. Ps. 37. 13.
[f] ch. 31. 6.
[g] *be consumed.* ch. 24. 6,12.
[h] ch. 26. 12.
[i] ch. 31. 10.
[k] Ge. 2. 21. 15. 12. Is. 29. 10.
[l] ch. 25. 43.
[m] Jos. 15. 31. 19. 5.
† *the number of days.*
‡ *the sons of death.* 2 Sa. 12. 5. Ps. 79. 11. 102. 20. Ep. 2. 3.
§ *a year of days.* ch. 29. 3.
[n] Jos. 13. 2.
[o] Jos. 16. 10. Ju. 1. 29.
‖ or, *Gerrites*
[p] Ex. 17. 16.
[r] ch. 24. 16.
[s] Ge. 25. 18.
[t] Ps. 7. 3..5. 35. 7. 69. 4.
• or, *Did you not make a road, &c.*
[u] 2 Sa. 16. 11. 24. 1.
† *smell.* Ge. 8. 21. Le. 26. 31.
[x] 1 Ch.2.9,25.
[y] De. 4. 26. Ps. 120. 5.
[z] Ju. 1. 16.
‡ *cleaving.*
[a] 2 Sa. 14. 16. 20. 19.
[b] ch. 24. 14.
[c] *to stink.* ch. 13. 4. Ge. 34. 30. Ex. 5. 21. 2 Sa. 10. 6. Zec. 11. 8.
[d] Ex. 9. 27. Nu. 22. 34. Mat. 27. 4.
[e] ch. 18. 30. Ps. 49. 8.
[f] ch. 29. 1.
[g] Ps. 7. 8. 18. 20. 2 Sa.16.16.. 19. Ro. 12. 9.
[h] Mat. 5. 7. 7. 2.
[i] ch. 25. 1. Is. 57. 1, 2.

be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him [g] deliver me out of all tribulation.

25 Then Saul said to David, Blessed *be* thou, my son David: thou shalt both do great *things*, and also shalt still [h] prevail. So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

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AND David said in his heart, I shall now [i] perish one day by the hand of Saul: *there is* nothing better for me than that I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines; and Saul shall despair of me, to seek me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand.

2 And David arose, [k] and he passed over with the six hundred men that *were* with him [l] unto Achish, the son of Maoch, king of Gath.

3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his household, *even* David [m] with his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, Nabal's wife.

4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him.

5 ¶ And David said unto Achish, If I have now found grace in thine eyes, let them give me a place in some town in the country, that I may dwell there: for why should thy servant dwell in the royal city with thee?

6 Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: wherefore [n] Ziklag pertaineth unto the kings of Judah unto this day.

7 And [o] the time that David dwelt in the country of the Philistines was § a full year and four months.

8 ¶ And David and his men went up, and invaded [p] the Geshurites, [r] and the ‖ Gezrites, and the [s] Amalekites: for those *nations were* of old the inhabitants of the land, [t] as thou goest to Shur, even unto the land of Egypt.

9 And David smote the land, and left neither man nor woman alive, and took away the sheep, and the oxen, and the asses, and the camels, and the apparel, and returned, and came to Achish.

10 And Achish said, • Whither have ye made a road to day? And David said, Against the south of Judah, and against the south of [u] the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of [x] the Kenites.

11 And David saved neither man nor woman alive, to bring *tidings* to Gath, saying, Lest they should tell on us, saying, So did David, and so *will be* his manner all the while he dwelleth in the country of the Philistines.

12 And Achish believed David, saying, He hath made his people Israel § utterly to abhor him; therefore he shall be my servant for ever.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND [a] it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their armies together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy men.

2 And David said to Achish, [b] Surely thou shalt know what thy servant can do. And Achish said to David, Therefore will I make thee keeper of mine head for ever.

3 ¶ Now [c] Samuel was dead, and all

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Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away [b] those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.

4 And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in [c] Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in [d] Gilboa.

5 And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was [e] afraid, and his heart greatly trembled.

6 And when Saul enquired of the LORD, [f] the LORD answered him not, neither by [h] dreams, nor [i] by Urim, nor by prophets.

7 ¶ Then said Saul unto his servants, [k] Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, *there is* a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor.

8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, [m] I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me *him* up, whom I shall name unto thee.

9 And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath [n] cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: [p] wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die?

10 And Saul [q] sware to her by the LORD, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing.

11 Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel.

12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou *art* Saul.

13 And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I saw [r] gods ascending out of the earth.

14 And he said unto her, [t] What form is he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he *is* covered with [u] a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he stooped with *his* face to the ground, and bowed himself.

15 [v] And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, [x] I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and [y] God is departed from me, and [z] answereth me no more, neither [a] by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do.

16 Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy?

17 And the LORD hath done [§] to him, [c] as he spake by [d] me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, *even* to David:

18 Because [e] thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day.

19 Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow *shalt* thou and thy sons *be* with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines.

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[b] *made haste, and fell with the fulness of his stature.*
[c] Jos. 19. 18.
[d] ch. 31. 1.
[e] ch. 19. 5. Ju. 12. 3. Job 13. 14.
[f] Job 19. 11.
[g] ch. 14. 37. Pr. 1. 28. La. 2. 9.
[h] Nu. 12. 6.
[i] Ex. 28. 30. Nu. 27. 21. De. 33. 8.
[k] 2 Ki. 1. 2, 3, 6. 33. Is. 3. 25, 26. Hab. 2. 3.
[l] 1 Ki. 21. 4. Pr. 25. 20.
[m] 2 Ki. 4. 8. Lu. 24. 29. Ac. 16. 15.
[n] De. 18. 11. 1 Ch. 10. 13. Is. 8. 19, 20.
[o] ver. 3.
[p] 2 Sa. 18. 13. 2 Ki. 5. 7.
[q] ch. 28. 1.
[r] ch. 4. 1.
[t] Mat. 26. 72. Mar. 6. 33.
[u] ch. 27. 7.
[x] Ex. 22. 28.
[y] Da. 6. 5.
[z] *What is his form?*
[a] ch. 15. 27. 2 Ki. 2. 8, 13.
[b] 1 Ch. 12. 19.
[c] ch. 14. 21.
[d] Pr. 5. 11, 13 14. 14.
[e] ch. 18. 12.
[v] ver. 6.
[x] *by the hand of prophets*
[y] ch. 18. 7. 21. 11.
[z] 2 Sa. 3. 25. 2 Ki. 19. 27.
[a] ver. 3.
[§] *or, for himself.* Pr. 16. 4.
[c] ch. 15. 28.
[d] *mine hand.*
[e] *thou art not good in the eyes of the lords*
[h] ch. 15. 9. 1 Ki. 20. 42. 1 Ch. 10. 13. Je. 48. 10.
[i] *do not evil in the eyes of the lords*
[k] *before thee.*
[l] 2 Sa. 16. 18, 19 Ps. 34. 13, 14. Lu. 11. 4.

20 Then Saul [o] fell straightway all along on the earth, and [p] was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.

21 ¶ And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said unto him, Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I have [q] put my life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me.

22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and eat, that thou mayest have strength, when thou goest on thy way.

23 But he refused, and said, [r] I will not eat. But his servants, together with the woman, [s] compelled him; and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed.

24 And the woman had a fat calf in the house; and she hasted, and killed it, and took flour, and kneaded *it*, and did bake unleavened bread thereof:

25 And she brought *it* before Saul, and before his servants; and they did eat. Then they rose up, and went away that night.

CHAP. XXIX.

NOW [t] the Philistines gathered together all their armies to [u] Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which *is* in Jezreel.

2 And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands: but David and his men passed on in the rereward with Achish.

3 Then said the princes of the Philistines, What *do* these Hebrews *here?* And Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, *Is* not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel, which hath been with me [x] these days, or these years, and I have [y] found no fault in him since he fell *unto me* unto this day?

4 And the princes of the Philistines were wroth with him; and the princes of the Philistines said unto him, [z] Make this fellow return, that he may go again to his place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with us to battle, lest [a] in the battle he be an adversary to us: for wherewith should he reconcile himself unto his master? *should it* not *be* with the heads of these men?

5 *Is* not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying, [b] Saul slew his thousands, and David his ten thousands?

6 [c] Then Achish called David, and said unto him, Surely, *as* the LORD liveth, thou hast been upright, and [d] thy going out and thy coming in with me in the host *is* good in my sight: for [e] I have not found evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day: nevertheless [f] the lords favour thee not.

7 Wherefore now return, and go in peace, that thou [g] displease not the lords of the Philistines.

8 ¶ And David said unto Achish, But what have I done? and what hast thou found in thy servant so long as I have been [h] with thee unto this day, [i] that I may not go fight against the enemies of my lord the king?

9 And Achish answered and said to David, I know that thou *art* good in my

[o] 2 Sa. 1. 2.
[p] ch. 17. 11.
[q] Ju. 12. 3.
[r] 2 Sa. 12. 17.
[s] Ge. 19. 3. Ju. 13. 15. 2 Ki. 4. 8.
[t] ch. 28. 1.
[u] Jos. 12. 18.
[x] 2 Sa. 14. 26.
[y] ch. 21. 14.
[z] Ge. 21. 10.
[a] ch. 14. 21.
[b] ch. 18. 7.
[c] ch. 27. 12.
[d] Ps. 121. 8.
[e] ch. 12. 2.
[f] Pr. 16. 7.
[g] 2 Sa. 3. 36.
[h] ch. 27. 1.
[i] 2 Sa. 16. 18.

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sight, [e] as an angel of God: notwithstanding [f] the princes of the Philistines have said, He shall not go up with us to the battle.

10 Wherefore [e] now rise up early in the morning with thy master's servants that are come with thee: and as soon as ye be up early in the morning, and have light, depart.

11 So David and his men rose up early to depart in the morning, to return into the land of the Philistines. [g] And the Philistines went up to Jezreel.

CHAP. XXX.

AND it came to pass, when David and his men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that the [f] Amalekites had invaded the south, and Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and burned it with fire;

2 And had taken the women captives, that *were* therein: they slew not any, either great or small, but carried *them* away, and went on their way.

3 ¶ So David and his men came to the city, and, behold, *it was* burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives.

4 Then David and the people that *were* with him lifted up their voice and wept, until they had no more power to weep.

5 And David's [h] two wives were taken captives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.

6 And David was greatly distressed; [i] for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was [k] grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: [m] but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.

7 And [o] David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, I pray thee, bring me hither the ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the ephod to David.

8 And [r] David enquired at the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake them? And [s] he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake *them*, and without fail recover *all*.

9 So David went, he and the six hundred men that *were* with him, and came to the brook Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.

10 But David pursued, he and four hundred men: [t] for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor.

11 ¶ And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, [x] and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink water;

12 And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and [k] when he had eaten, his spirit came again to him: *for* he had eaten no bread, nor drunk *any* water, three days and three nights.

13 And David said unto him, To whom *belongest* thou? and whence *art* thou? And he said, I *am* a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite; and my master [f] left me, because three days agone I fell sick.

14 We made an invasion *upon* the south of [b] the Cherethites, and upon *the coast* which *belongeth* to Judah, and upon the south of [c] Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with fire.

15 And David said to him, Canst thou bring me down to this company? And he said, Swear unto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee down to this company.

16 ¶ And when he had brought him down, behold, *they were* spread abroad upon all the earth, [d] eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Judah.

17 And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of [e] the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred young men, which rode upon camels, and fled.

18 And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and David rescued his two wives.

19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor daughters, neither spoil, nor any *thing* that they had taken to them: [g] David recovered all.

20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, *which* they drave before those *other* cattle, and said, This *is* David's spoil.

21 ¶ And David came to the two hundred men, which were so faint that they could not follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the brook Besor: and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the people that *were* with him: [t] and when David came near to the people, he [†] saluted them.

22 Then answered all the wicked men and *men* [l] of Belial, of [†] those that went with David, and said, [m] Because they went not with us, we will not give them *ought* of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead *them* away, and depart.

23 Then said David, Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that which the LORD hath given us, who hath [p] preserved us, and delivered the company that came against us into our hand.

24 For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but [t] as his part *is* that goeth down to the battle, so *shall* his part *be* that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike.

25 And it was *so* from that day ‖ forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel unto this day.

26 ¶ And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of the spoil unto the elders of Judah, [x] *even* to his friends, saying, Behold a [o] present for you of the spoil of the enemies of the LORD;

27 To *them* which *were* in Beth-el, and to *them* which *were* in [p] south Ramoth, and to *them* which *were* in [s] Jattir,

28 And to *them* which *were* in [t] Aroer, and to *them* which *were* in Siphmoth, and to *them* which *were* in [c] Eshtemoa,

29 And to *them* which *were* in Rachal, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of [d] the Jerahmeelites, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of the Kenites,

30 And to *them* which *were* in [e] Hormah, and to *them* which *were* in Chor-ashan, and to *them* which *were* in Athach,

31 And to *them* which *were* in [f] Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his men were wont to haunt.

CHAP. XXXI.

NOW [k] the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down [†] slain in mount Gilboa.

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[a] 2 Sa. 14. 17, 20. 19. 27.
[b] ver. 4.
[c] Ps. 37. 23, 24. 1 Co. 10. 13. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[d] 1 Ki. 20. 11. Is. 22. 13. Lu. 12. 19, 20. 17. 27. 29. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[e] 2 Sa. 4. 4.
[e] *their morrow.*
[f] ch. 15. 7. 27. 8.
[g] ver. 8. Ps. 91. 9, 10. Mat. 6. 33.
[h] ch. 25. 42, 43. 2 Sa. 2. 2.
[i] He. 13. 1. 1 Pe. 3. 8.
[†] or, *asked them how they did.* Ju. 18. 15.
[k] Ex. 17. 4.
[l] De. 13. 13. Ju. 19. 22.
[‡] *men.*
[m] Mat. 7. 12.
[§] *bitter.* ch. 1. 10. Ju. 18. 25. 2 Sa. 17. 8. 2 Ki. 4. 27.
[n] Ps. 42. 5. 56. 3, 4, 11. Hab. 3. 17, 18 He. 13. 6.
[o] ch. 23. 6, 9.
[p] Ps. 121. 7, 8.
[r] ch. 23. 2, 4. 2 Sa. 5. 19, 23. Pr. 3. 5, 6.
[s] Ps. 50. 15. 91. 15.
[t] Nu. 31. 27. Jos. 22. 8.
‖ *and forward.*
[u] ver. 21.
[x] Pr. 18. 16, 24. Is. 32. 8.
[o] *blessing.* ch. 25. 27. Ge. 33. 11.
[x] De. 24. 7. Pr. 25. 21. Lu. 10. 36, 37 Ro. 12. 20.
[p] Jos. 19. 8.
[s] Jos. 15. 48.
[t] Jos. 13. 16.
[c] ch. 14. 27. Ju. 15. 19.
[c] Jos. 15. 50.
[d] ch. 27. 10.
[e] Ju. 1. 17.
[f] Job 31. 13. Pr. 12. 10. Ja. 2. 13.
[g] Jos. 14. 13. 2 Sa. 2. 1.
[h] 2 Sa. 8. 18. 1 Ki. 1. 38, 44. Eze. 25. 16. Zep. 2. 5.
[i] Jos. 14. 13. 15. 13.
[k] 1 Ch. 10. 1. 12.
[†] or, *wounded*

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2 And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Melchi-shua, Saul's sons.

3 And [e] the battle went sore against Saul, and the [*] archers [†] hit him; and he was sore wounded of the archers.

4 Then [h] said Saul unto his armour-bearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest [d] these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and [‡] abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; [f] for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and [i] fell upon it.

5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword, and died with him.

6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all his men, that same day together.

7 ¶ And when the men of Israel that *were* on the other side of the valley, and *they* that *were* on the other side Jordan, saw that the men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to [*] publish *it in* the house of their idols, and among the people.

10 And [*] they put his armour in the house of [§] Ashtaroth: and [h] they fastened his body to the wall of Beth-shan.

11 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard [§] of that which the Philistines had done to Saul;

12 All [k] the valiant men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of Beth-shan, and came to Jabesh, and [i] burnt them there.

13 And they took their bones, and buried *them* under a tree at Jabesh, and fasted [m] seven days.

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[a] 2Sa. 1. 6, &c.
[e] *shooters, men with bows.*
[†] *found him.*
[b] Ju. 9. 54.
[c] 2 Sa. 1. 20.
[d] ch. 14. 6. 17. 26.
[‡] or, *mock me*
[e] ch. 21. 9.
[f] 2 Sa. 1. 14.
[g] Ju. 2. 13.
[h] 2 Sa. 21. 12.
[i] 2 Sa. 1. 10. Mat. 27. 4,5. Ac. 1. 18. 16. 27.
[§] or, *concerning him.*
[k] ch. 11. 1..11. 2 Sa. 2. 4..7.
[l] 2 Ch. 16. 14. Je. 34. 5. Am. 6. 10.
[m] Ge. 50. 10.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. V. 1.—ASHDOD, still called by the Arabs, Shdood, or Esdud, though, according to some travellers, the Arab *Ishdoldiards* give it the name of Mezlek. It was a city of the Philistines which was not taken by Joshua, and, being surrounded with a wall of great strength, it became a place of considerable importance, and one of the five governments of the Philistines. Ashdod stands upon a conical rising and grassy ground, surrounded with trees, and in an immense undulating plain. The trees are few, but the land is fertile, bearing beautiful crops of grain; and there are numerous small towns scattered around, which are the remains of former days. Vast tracts lie uncultivated, or produce only wild flowers. Herodotus informs us that this city stood the longest siege of any city in the world against Psammeticus, king of Egypt. Hence it appears that it was a place of great strength and importance. There are said to be now no ruins on the spot; and the place seems to be only an ordinary Muslim village. The Greek name of Ashdod is Azotus, the former being the Hebrew. It is mentioned, in Acts viii. 40, as the place where Philip was found, after he had baptized the eunuch. Dr. Wittman, in his Travels in Syria, speaks of his having seen several fragments of columns, capitals, cornices, &c., of marble, among the few ruins of Ashdod. The situation of Ashdod is midway between Gaza and Joppa, eight leagues from the former, and twenty-one from the latter. It was also on the usual military route between Syria and Egypt, and in consequence the possession of it became an object of importance in the wars between Egypt and the great monarchies. Notice it was secured by the Assyrians before invading Egypt, Isa. xx. 1. And at a later date it was taken by Psammeticus, as before referred to, but not till after a siege of twenty-nine years. Ashdod was assigned to Judah; but many centuries passed before this and the other Philistine towns were subdued, and it appears never to have been permanently in the possession of the Judahites, although it was dismantled by Uzziah, who built towns in the territory of Ashdod, 2 Chron. xxvi. 6. Ashdod was given to idolatry. It was the seat of the worship of Dagon, 1 Sam. v. 5. It is mentioned to the reproach of the Jews returned from captivity, that they married wives of Ashdod, with the result that the children of these marriages spoke a mongrel dialect, half Hebrew and half that of the speech of Ashdod, Neh. xiii. 23, 24. Ashdod is threatened in prophecy—"I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod," Amos i. 8; and Ashdod "has, in verification of "the word of God, which is sharper than any two-edged sword," been *cut off*, and has fallen before it to nothing,"—a clear and complete proof, in connexion with other prophecies against Philistia, "that each and all of them emanated from the prescience of heaven." This place is indeed signalized as an object of God's vengeance, and is mentioned among others by the prophet Jeremiah, as devoted to drink the wine-cup of the fury of Jehovah, Jer. xxv. 15, 20. "They shall drive out Ashdod at the noonday," says the prophet Zephaniah, ch. ii. 4. And in Zechariah, ch. ix. 6, God says by his prophet, "A bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines." These prophecies were finally accomplished by the Maccabees. 1 Macc. v. 68; x. 74–84.

CH. VII. 17.—RAMAH. The word Ramah signifies an eminence. Hence so many places in Palestine are named Ramah, Ramath, Ramatha, Ramoth, Ramathaim, Ramala, and Ramathan. Sometimes the same place is called by one or other of these names indiscriminately. The ministers of the Scottish Mission point out Naby-Samuel as the birth-place and residence of the prophet. It is situated two hours from Jerusalem, and on the highest point of a range of hill of considerable height, having a few wretched houses, and an old ruined church, said to have been built by the renowned St. George, but now converted into a mosque, whose spire or minaret attracts the eye on every side. For many centuries this spot has been regarded as the ancient Ramah, where the prophet Samuel was born; where he lived and mourned over the land of its apostate king, as he looked down from this eminence on its populous tribes; and where also he was buried, see ch. viii. 4; xxv. 1. There appears to be no good reason for doubting the accuracy of this ancient tradition. The ruins stand on the most elevated point of the whole region, commanding a magnificent view on every side, thus answering well to the name of Ramah, which signifies "height," and to its other name, Ramathaim-Zophim, "*the heights of the watchmen*," 1 Sam. i. 1. The conjecture that it is the ancient Mizpeh, the gathering-place of Israel, is without any solid foundation. The Scottish Mission say, "We ascended to the roof of the deserted mosque, and surveyed the country round and round with unmingled pleasure; we could count twelve towns or villages within sight. To the south, Jerusalem, sheltered by the Mount of Olives, was distinctly visible; and still farther south, about twelve miles distant, Bethlehem and the Frank mountain. We were now in a situation to understand the prophecy of Jeremiah, in reference to the massacre of the infants of Bethlehem, "In Ramah was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not," Matt. ii. 18. The tomb of Rachel suggested the figurative representation of the mother of Benjamin and Joseph rising up to lament her slaughtered little ones; and the import of the passage is, as if he had said, that the tide of woe rolled from Bethlehem to the hill whereon Ramah stands. Rachel from her sepulchre begins the note of woe, and it spreads all around, even to the distant hills that shut in the plain." The only objection to this being the Ramah of Samuel is taken from the history of Saul's visit to Samuel, recorded 1 Sam. ix. 1. In his house at Ramah, Samuel had entertained the future king of Israel. When Saul rose to return to Gibeah, Samuel describes his way as leading by "Rachel's sepulchre in the border of Benjamin at Zelzah," 1 Sam. x. 2: but as both Rachel's sepulchre and Zelzah are many hours to the south of Naby-Samuel, every step taken in that direction would lead him away from Gibeah, which lies to the north-east.

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ASHDOD.—*Roberts.*—1 Sam. v. 1.



RAMAH.—*La Borde.*—1 Sam. vii. 17.

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CHAP. I.

NOW it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from [c] the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;

2 It came even to pass on the third day, that, behold, [g] a man came out of the camp from Saul [h] with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and *so* it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.

3 And David said unto him, From whence comest thou? And he said unto him, Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped.

4 And David said unto him, [o] How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he answered, That the people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.

5 And David said unto the young man that told him, [m] How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son be dead?

6 And the young man that told him said, As I happened by chance upon [n] mount Gilboa, behold, Saul leaned upon his spear; and, lo, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him.

7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, [:] Here *am* I.

8 And he said unto me, Who *art* thou? And I answered him, I *am* an Amalekite.

9 He said unto me again, Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me: for [§] anguish is come upon me, because my life *is* yet whole in me.

10 So I stood upon him, and [q] slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he was fallen: and I took the crown that *was* upon his head, and the bracelet that *was* on his arm, and have brought them hither unto my lord.

11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and [w] rent them; and likewise all the men that *were* with him:

12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

13 ¶ And David said unto the young man that told him, Whence *art* thou? And he answered, I *am* the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.

14 And David said unto him, [a] How wast thou not [b] afraid to [c] stretch forth thine hand to destroy the LORD'S anointed?

15 And [d] David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, *and* fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.

16 And David said unto him, [f] Thy blood *be* upon thy head; for [g] thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I have slain the LORD'S anointed.

17 ¶ And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

18 (Also [i] he bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow: behold, *it is* written [k] in the book [t] of Jasher.)

19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: [l] how are the mighty fallen!

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[a] Ju. 16. 23. 1 Sa. 31. 9. Mi. 5. 10.
[b] Ex. 15. 20. Ju. 11. 34. 1 Sa. 18. 6.
[c] 1 Sa. 30. 17, 26.
[d] 1 Sa. 31. 4.
[e] 1 Sa. 31. 1.
[f] Ju. 5. 23. Job 3. 3, 4. Je. 20. 14.
[g] ch. 4. 10.
[h] Ge. 37. 29, 34. Jos. 7. 6. 1 Sa. 4. 12. Joel 2. 13.
[i] 1 Sa. 10. 1.
[k] 1 Sa. 16. 4.
[o] *What was, &c.* 1 Sa. 4. 16.
[†] or, *sweet.*
[l] Ju. 14. 18.
[m] Pr. 14. 25. 25. 2.
[n] 1 Sa. 31. 1, *&c.*
[o] 1 Sa. 18. 1, 3.
[p] La. 5. 16.
[:] *Behold me.*
[§] or, *my coat of mail*, or, *my embroidered coat hindereth me, that my, &c.*
[r] Ju. 1. 1. 1 Sa. 23. 2, 4, 9. 30. 7, 8.
[s] Ju. 9. 54.
[t] 1 Sa. 30. 31. 1 Ki. 2. 11.
[u] 1 Sa. 30. 5.
[v] 1 Ch. 12. 1.
[w] ch. 13. 31.
[x] ch. 5. 5.
[y] 1 Sa. 31. 11, 13.
[z] Ru. 2. 20. 3. 10. Ps. 115. 15.
[a] Nu. 12. 8.
[b] 1 Sa. 31. 4.
[c] 1 Sa. 24. 6. 26. 9. Ps. 105. 15.
[d] 2 Ti. 1. 16, 18.
[e] ch. 4. 10, 12.
[f] 1 Sa. 26. 9. 1 Ki. 2. 32, 33, 37.
[||] *be ye the sons of valour.*
[g] Lu. 19. 22.
[h] 1 Sa. 14. 50.
[i] *the host which was Saul's.*
[†] or, *Esh-baal* 1 Ch. 8. 33. 9. 39.
[i] 1 Sa. 31. 3.
[k] Jos. 10. 13.
[‡] or, *of the upright.*
[l] ver. 27.

20 Tell [e] *it* not in Gath, publish *it* not in the streets of Askelon; lest [b] the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of [d] the uncircumcised triumph.

21 Ye [e] mountains of Gilboa, *let there be* no dew, neither *let there be* rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, *as though he had* not *been* [i] anointed with oil.

22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, [k] the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23 Saul and Jonathan *were* lovely and [†] pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they [‡] were stronger than lions.

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with *other* delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, *thou wast* slain in thine high places.

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: [t] thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

27 How [l] are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

CHAP. II.

AND it came to pass after this, that David [r] enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And the LORD said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he said, Unto [s] Hebron.

2 So David went up thither, and his [u] two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail Nabal's wife the Carmelite.

3 And [v] his men that *were* with him did David bring up, every man with his houshold: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.

4 And [x] the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, *That* [y] the men of Jabesh-gilead *were they* that buried Saul.

5 ¶ And David sent messengers unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, and said unto them, [z] Blessed *be* ye of the LORD, that ye have shewed this kindness unto your lord, *even* unto Saul, and have buried him.

6 And now [a] the LORD shew kindness and truth unto you: and I also will requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing.

7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and [||] be ye valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them.

8 ¶ But [b] Abner the son of Ner, captain of [*] Saul's host, took [†] Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim;

9 And made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.

10 Ish-bosheth Saul's son *was* forty years old when he began to reign over

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Israel, and reigned two years. But the house of Judah followed David.

11 And [a] the [*] time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.

12 ¶ And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to [b] Gibeon.

13 And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out, and met [†] together by [c] the pool of Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.

14 And Abner said to Joab, [d] Let the young men now arise, and play before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.

15 Then there arose and went over by number twelve of Benjamin, which *pertained* to Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.

16 And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and *thrust* his sword in his fellow's side; so they fell down together: wherefore that place was called [‡] Helkath-hazzurim, which *is* in Gibeon.

17 And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner [e] was beaten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David.

18 ¶ And there were [f] three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel *was* [g] *as* light [§] of foot [*] as [h] a wild roe.

19 And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left [†] from following Abner.

20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, *Art* thou Asahel? And he answered, I *am*.

21 And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee his [‖] armour. But Asahel would not turn aside from following of him.

22 And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: [i] wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab thy brother?

23 Howbeit he refused to turn aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him [*] under the fifth *rib*, that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, *that* as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still.

24 Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that *lieth* before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

25 ¶ And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.

26 Then Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall [k] the sword devour for ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the people return from following their brethren?

27 And Joab said, *As* God liveth, unless [l] thou hadst spoken, surely then [‖] in the morning the people had [*] gone up every one from following his brother.

28 So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more.

29 And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed

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[a] 1 Ki. 2. 11.
[*] *number of days.*
[b] Jos. 9. 3. 10. 2. 18. 25.
[†] *them together.*
[c] Je. 41. 12.
[d] Pr. 10. 23. 17. 14. 25. 8.
[e] Mat. 10. 35, 36.
[f] 1 Ch. 3. 1, 4.
[g] 1 Sa. 25. 43.
[‡] i. e. *The field of strong men*
[§] or, *Daniel.* 1 Ch. 3. 1.
[h] Is. 47. 7. Lu. 14. 31, 32.
[i] ch. 13. 37. 1 Sa. 27. 8.
[k] 1 Ki. 1. 5.
[l] 1 Ch. 2. 16.
[m] 1 Ch. 12. 8. Ps. 147. 10, 11. Ec. 9. 11. Am. 2. 14.
[‖] *of his feet.*
[*] *as one of the roes that is in the field.*
[n] Ps. 18. 33. Ca. 2. 17. 8. 14. Hab. 3. 19.
[†] *from after Abner.*
[*] Pr. 21. 30. Is. 8. 9, 10.
[p] ch. 21. 8, 10.
[r] ch. 16. 21. 1 Ki. 2. 21, 22.
[‡] or, *spoil.* Ju. 14. 19.
[s] ch. 9. 8. 16. 9. De. 23. 18. 1 Sa. 24. 15.
[t] 2 Ki. 14. 10. Pr. 29. 1. Ec. 6. 10.
[u] ch. 3. 27. 4. 6. 20. 10.
[*] Ru. 1. 17. 1 Ki. 19. 2.
[x] 1 Sa. 26. 28. 16. 1, 12. 28. 17. 1 Ch. 12. 23.
[y] ch. 17. 11. Ju. 20. 1. 1 Ki. 4. 25.
[z] Is. 1. 20. Je. 2. 30. Ho. 11. 6.
[§] *saying.*
[a] Ge. 43. 3.
[b] 1 Sa. 18. 20
[c] 1 Sa. 18. 25, 27.
[d] ver. 14. Pr. 17. 14.
[‖] *from the morning.*
[*] or, *gone astray.*
[e] 1 Sa. 25. 44. *Phalti.*
[†] *going and weeping.*
[f] ch. 19. 16.

over Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.

30 And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men and Asahel.

31 But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, *so that* three hundred and threescore men died.

32 ¶ And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which *was in* Beth-lehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of day.

CHAP. III.

NOW [a] there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.

2 ¶ And [f] unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was Amnon, [g] of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;

3 And his second, § Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king [i] of Geshur;

4 And the fourth, [k] Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;

5 And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.

6 ¶ And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that [*] Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul.

7 And Saul had a concubine, whose name *was* [l] Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and *Ish-bosheth* said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou [r] gone in unto my father's concubine?

8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, *Am* I [s] a dog's head, which against Judah do shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou chargest me to day with a fault concerning this woman?

9 So [t] do God to Abner, and more also, except, [u] as the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I do to him;

10 To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, [x] from Dan even to Beer-sheba.

11 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.

12 ¶ And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose *is* the land? saying *also*, Make thy league with me, and, behold, my hand *shall be* with thee, to bring about all Israel unto thee.

13 ¶ And he said, Well; I will make a league with thee: but one thing I require of thee, § that is, [y] Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first bring [z] Michal Saul's daughter, when thou comest to see my face.

14 And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver *me* my wife Michal, which I espoused to me [a] for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines.

15 And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from *her* husband, *even* from [b] Phaltiel the son of Laish.

16 And her husband went with her [†] along weeping behind her to [c] Bahurim. Then said Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.

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17 ¶ And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David [a] in times past *to be* king over you:
18 Now then do *it*: [c] for the LORD hath spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my servant David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.
19 And Abner also spake in the ears of [d] Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.
20 So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And David made Abner and the men that *were* with him a feast.
21 And Abner said unto David, I will arise and go, and [e] will gather all Israel unto my lord the king, that they may make a league with thee, and that thou mayest [f] reign over all that thine heart desireth. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.
22 ¶ And, behold, the servants of David and Joab came from *pursuing* a troop, and brought in a great spoil with them: but Abner *was* not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace.
23 When Joab and all the host that *was* with him were come, they told Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath sent him away, and he is gone in peace.
24 Then Joab came to the king, and said, [g] What hast thou done? behold, Abner came unto thee; why *is it that* thou hast sent him away, and he is quite gone?
25 Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that [r] he came to deceive thee, and to know [s] thy going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou doest.
26 And when Joab was come out from David, [t] he sent messengers after Abner, which brought him again from the well of Sirah: but David knew *it* not.
27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab [u] took him aside in the gate to speak with him [v] quietly, and smote him there [w] under the fifth *rib*, that he died, for the blood of [x] Asahel his brother.
28 ¶ And afterward when David heard *it*, he said, I and my kingdom *are* guiltless before the LORD for ever from the [†] blood of Abner the son of Ner:
29 Let [z] it rest on the head of Joab, and on all his father's house; and let there not [‡] fail from the house of Joab one [b] that hath an issue, or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staff, or that falleth on the sword, or that lacketh bread.
30 So Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had slain their brother [c] Asahel at Gibeon in the battle.
31 ¶ And David said to Joab, and to all the people that *were* with him, [d] Rend your clothes, and [§] gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before Abner. And king David *himself* followed the [‖] bier.
32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice, and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.
33 And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a [e] fool dieth?
34 Thy hands *were* not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before [†] wicked men, *so* fellest thou. And all the people wept again over him.

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[a] ch. 12. 17. Je. 16. 7.
[c] *both yesterday and the third day.*
[b] Ru. 1. 17.
[d] ver. 9.
[e] ch. 1. 12.
[†] *was good in their eyes.*
[f] 1 Ch. 12. 29.
[g] Job 32. 9.
[r] *tender.*
[s] ch. 19. 7.
[t] ch. 19. 13. 1 Ki. 2. 5, 6, 33, 34. Ps. 28. 4. 62. 12. 2 Ti. 4. 14.
[u] ver. 10, 12.
[v] 1 Ki. 11. 27.
[w] Exr. 4. 4. Is. 13. 7. Je. 6. 24. 50. 43.
[x] Mat. 2. 3.
[§] *second.*
[‖] ch. 9. 3.
[z] 1 Sa. 29. 1, 11.
[a] ch. 19. 5, 7. Joo. 18. 35.
[‖] or, *Meribbaal.* 1 Ch. 8. 34. 9. 40.
[b] Ro. 2. 1.
[c] 1 Sa. 29. 6. Is. 37. 28.
[d] Pr. 26. 23. 26. 27. 4, 6.
[e] ch. 2. 23.
[f] ch. 20. 9, 10. 1 Ki. 2. 5.
[g] or, *peaceably.*
[h] ch. 4. 6.
[i] ch. 2. 23.
[†] *bloods.*
[k] 1 Ki. 2. 32, 33.
[l] 1 Sa. 19. 10, 11. 23. 15. 25. 29.
[‡] *be cut off.*
[b] Le. 15. 2.
[c] ch. 2. 23.
[d] Ge. 48. 16. 1 Ki. 1. 29. Ps. 31. 7.
[e] ch. 1. 2, 11. Jos. 7. 6.
[f] ch. 1. 2, 4, 15.
[§] Ge. 37. 34.
[‖] *he was in his own eyes as a bringer, &c bed.* Lu. 7. 14.
[g] or, *which was the reward I gave him for his tidings.*
[h] Ge. 9. 5, 6.
[i] ch. 13. 12, 13.
[†] *children of iniquity.*

35 And when all the people came [g] to cause David to eat meat while it was yet day, David sware, saying, [h] So do God to me, and more also, if I taste bread, or ought else, [d] till the sun be down.
36 And all the people took notice *of it*, and it [†] pleased them: as whatsoever the king did pleased all the people.
37 For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner.
38 And the king said unto his servants, Know ye not that there is a prince and a [f] great man fallen this day in Israel?
39 And I *am* this day [‡] weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah [§] *be* too hard for me: [i] the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness.

CHAP. IV.

AND when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, [†] his hands were feeble, and all the Israelites were [m] troubled.
2 And Saul's son had two men *that were* captains of bands: the name of the one *was* Baanah, and the name of the [§] other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin:
3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.)
4 And [n] Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son *that was* lame of *his* feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan [o] out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name *was* [‖] Mephibosheth.
5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.
6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, *as though* they would have fetched wheat; and they smote him [p] under the fifth *rib*: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.
7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and gat them away through the plain all night.
8 And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul thine enemy, [q] which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.
9 ¶ And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, *As* the LORD liveth, [r] who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,
10 When *one* told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, [s] thinking to have brought good tidings, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, [t] who *thought* that I would have given him a reward for his tidings:
11 How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now [u] require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?
12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged *them* up over the pool in Hebron. But they took

[g] ch. 12. 17. Je. 16. 7.
[h] *both yesterday and the third day.*
[b] Ru. 1. 17.
[c] ver. 9.
[d] ch. 1. 12.
[†] *was good in their eyes.*
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[m] ver. 10, 12.
[k] 1 Ki. 11. 27.
[l] Exr. 4. 4. Is. 13. 7. Je. 6. 24. 50. 43.
[n] Mat. 2. 3.
[§] *second.*
[‖] ch. 9. 3.
[o] 1 Sa. 29. 1, 11.
[p] ch. 19. 5, 7. Joo. 18. 35.
[‖] or, *Meribbaal.* 1 Ch. 8. 34. 9. 40.
[q] Ro. 2. 1.
[r] 1 Sa. 29. 6. Is. 37. 28.
[s] Pr. 26. 23. 26. 27. 4, 6.
[t] ch. 2. 23.
[u] ch. 20. 9, 10. 1 Ki. 2. 5.
[v] or, *peaceably.*
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[‖] *he was in his own eyes as a bringer, &c bed.* Lu. 7. 14.
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[h] Ge. 9. 5, 6.
[i] ch. 13. 12, 13.
[†] *children of iniquity.*

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the head of Ish-bosheth, and buried *it* in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

CHAP. V.

THEN [a] came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, [c] we *are* thy bone and thy flesh.

2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, [e] thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, [f] Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; [g] and king David made a league with them in Hebron [h] before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.

4 ¶ David *was* thirty years old when he began to reign, [k] *and* he reigned forty years.

5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

6 ¶ And the king and his men went [o] to Jerusalem unto [p] the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, saying, Except thou take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: ‡ thinking, David cannot come in hither.

7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: [r] the same *is* the city of David.

8 And David said on that day, Whosoever getteth up to the gutter, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, *that are* hated of David's soul, [s] *he shall be chief and captain.* ‡ Wherefore they said, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.

9 So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And David built round about from Millo and inward.

10 And David [t] went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts *was* with him.

11 ¶ And [x] Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, and carpenters, and [o] masons: and they built David an house.

12 And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.

13 ¶ And [b] David took *him* more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David.

14 And these *be* the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; ‖ Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,

15 Ibhar also, and † Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

16 And Elishama, and ‡ Eliada, and Eliphalet.

17 ¶ But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David; and David heard *of it*, and went down to the hold.

18 The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.

19 And David [c] enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto David, Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thine hand.

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[a] Is. 28. 21.
[b] 1 Ch. 11. 1. 12. 23.
[c] 1. e. *The plain of breaches.*
[e] Ge. 29. 14.
† or, *took them away*
[d] De. 7. 5. 25.
[e] 1 Sa. 18. 13.
[f] 1 Sa. 16. 1, 12. Ps. 78. 71.
[g] 2 Ki. 11. 17.
[h] Ju. 11. 11. 1 Sa. 23. 18.
[i] 2 Ki. 7. 6.
[k] 1 Ch. 26. 31.
[l] Ju. 4. 14.
[m] 1 Ch. 14. 16, *Gibeon.*
[n] Jos. 16. 10.
[o] Ju. 1. 21.
[p] Ju. 1. 8.
‡ or, *saying, David shall not, &c.*
§ or, *Baalah,* i. e. *Kirjath-jearim.* Jos. 15. 9, 60.
‖ or, *at which the name, even the name of the LORD of hosts, was called upon*
[r] 1 Ki. 2. 10.
[s] Ps. 80. 1.
[o] *made to ride.*
[t] Nu. 7. 9. 1 Sa. 6. 7.
† or, *the kill.*
[u] 1 Ch. 11. 6. 9
‡ or, *Because they had said, even the blind and the lame, He shall not come into the house.*
[x] 1 Sa. 7. 1.
§ *with.*
‖ *went going and growing.*
[x] 1 Ki. 5. 2.
[o] *hewers of the stone of the wall.*
[y] 1 Ch. 13. 9, *Chidon.*
[z] Nu. 4. 15.
† or, *stumbled.*
[a] 1 Sa. 6. 19.
[b] De. 17. 17. 1 Ch. 14. 3.
‡ or, *rashness*
§ *broken.*
‖ or, *Shamea,* 1 Ch. 3. 5.
[c] 1. e. *The breach of Uzzah.*
[c] Ps. 119. 120.
† or, *Elishama,* 1 Ch. 3. 6
‡ or, *Beeliada* 1 Ch. 14. 7.
[d] Ge. 30. 27. 39. 5.
[e] 1 Sa. 23. 2, 4. 30. 8.
[f] Nu. 4. 15.

20 And David came to [o] Baal-perazim, and David smote them there, and said, The LORD hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place [o] Baal-perazim.

21 And there they left their images, and David and his men † burned [d] them.

22 ¶ And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.

23 And when David enquired of the LORD, he said, Thou shalt not go up; *but* fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

24 And let it be, when thou [i] hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall [f] the LORD go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines.

25 And David did so, as the LORD had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from [m] Geba until thou come to [n] Gazer.

CHAP. VI.

AGAIN, David gathered together all *the* chosen *men* of Israel, thirty thousand.

2 And David arose, and went with all the people that *were* with him from § Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God, ‖ whose name is called by the name of the LORD of hosts [r] that dwelleth *between* the cherubims.

3 And they [s] set the ark of God [t] upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that *was* in [t] Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drave the new cart.

4 And they brought it out of [u] the house of Abinadab which *was* at Gibeah, § accompanying the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.

5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on all manner of *instruments made of* fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

6 ¶ And when they came to [y] Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah [z] put forth *his hand* to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen † shook *it.*

7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and [a] God smote him there for *his* ‡ error; and there he died by the ark of God.

8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had § made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place [c] Perez-uzzah to this day.

9 And [d] David was afraid of the LORD that day, and said, How shall the ark of the LORD come to me?

10 So David would not remove the ark of the LORD unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

11 And the ark of the LORD continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months: and the LORD [d] blessed Obed-edom, and all his household.

12 ¶ And it was told king David, saying, The LORD hath blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that *pertaineth* unto him, because of the ark of God. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.

13 And it was *so*, that when [f] they that

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bare the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed [a] oxen and fatlings.

14 And David [b] danced before the LORD with all *his* might; and David *was* girded [c] with a linen ephod.

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

17 ¶ And [d] they brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in [e] his place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had [f] pitched for it: and David [g] offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

18 And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.

19 And he dealt among all the people, *even* among the whole multitude of Israel, as well to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread, and a good piece *of flesh*, and a flagon *of wine*. So all the people departed every one to his house.

20 ¶ Then [r] David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who [s] uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the [t] vain fellows [§] shamelessly uncovereth himself!

21 And David said unto Michal, *It was* before the LORD, [u] which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel: therefore will I play before the LORD.

22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and [‖] of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour.

23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child [x] unto the day of her death.

CHAP. VII.

AND it came to pass, [a] when the king sat in his house, and the LORD had given him rest round about from all his enemies;

2 That the king said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of cedar, [d] but the ark of God dwelleth within [e] curtains.

3 And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that *is* [h] in thine heart; for the LORD *is* with thee.

4 ¶ And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, saying,

5 Go and tell [†] my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, [k] Shalt thou build me an house for me to dwell in?

6 Whereas I have not dwelt in *any* house since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in [l] a tent and in a tabernacle.

7 In all *the places* wherein I have [p] walked with all the children of Israel spake I a word with any of the [‡] tribes of Israel, whom I commanded [r] to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build ye not me an house of cedar?

B. C. 1042.

[a] 1 Ki. 8. 5.
[b] Ex. 15. 20. Ps. 30. 11.
[c] 1Sa.16.11,12 Ps. 78. 70.
[d] *from after.*
[e] 1 Sa. 2. 18.
[f] 1 Sa. 31. 6. Ps. 89. 23.
[g] *from thy face.*
[h] Ge. 12. 2.
[i] Ps. 80. 8. Je. 24. 6. Am. 9. 15.
[k] 1Ch.16.1...3.
[l] Ps. 132. 8.
[m] Ju.2.14...16. Ps. 106. 42.
[n] *stretched.*
[o] 1 Ki. 8. 5,62.
[p] 1 Ki. 2. 1. Ac. 13. 36.
[q] 1 Ki. 8. 20. Ps. 132. 11.
[r] Ps. 89. 4,29.
[s] He. 1. 5.
[t] Ps. 30, title.
[u] 1 Sa. 19. 24.
[x] 1Sa.15.23,28 16. 14. 1Ki.11.13,34
[y] Ju. 9. 4.
[§] or, *openly.*
[z] Jno. 12. 34.
[a] 1 Sa. 13. 14. 15. 28.
[b] Ge. 32. 10.
[‖] or, *of the handmaids of my servants.*
[c] Is. 22. 14. Mat. 1. 25.
[d] Is. 55. 8.
[e] *law.*
[f] 1 Ch. 17. 1, &c.
[g] Ge. 18. 19. Ps. 139. 1.
[h] Ac. 7. 46.
[i] Ex. 26. 1. [j] Ch. 2. 5. Ps. 40. 1. 93.1,&c. 145. 3. Je. 10. 6.
[k] De. 3. 24. 4. 35. 33. 29.
1 Sa. 2. 2. Ps. 86. 8. Is. 45. 5, 18, 22.
[l] 1 Ch. 28. 2.
[m] De. 33. 29. Ps. 147. 20.
[†] *to my servant, to David.*
[k] 1 Ki. 5. 3.
[l] De. 9. 36. Ne. 1. 10.
[m] De. 36. 18.
[n] Ex. 40.18,34
[o] Ps. 48. 14.
[p] De. 23. 14.
[‡] *judges.*
[q] 1 Ch. 17. 6.
[r] Ps.78.71,72. Mat. 2. 6. Ac. 20. 28.

8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, [s] I took thee from the sheepcote, [t] from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:

9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, [u] and have cut off all thine enemies [†] out of thy sight, and have made thee [f] a great name, like unto the name of the great *men* that *are* in the earth.

10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will [g] plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

11 And as [h] since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.

12 ¶ And [m] when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, [n] I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will [o] stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

14 I [p] will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:

15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, [q] as I took *it* from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

16 And [r] thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

18 ¶ Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, [s] Who *am* I, O Lord GOD? and what *is* my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. [t] And *is* this the [§] manner of man, O Lord GOD?

20 And what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, [u] knowest thy servant.

21 For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know *them*.

22 Wherefore [f] thou art great, O LORD God: for [g] *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any* God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

23 And [i] what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people, *even* like Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land, before [l] thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, *from* the nations and their gods?

24 For [m] thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel *to be* a people unto thee for ever: [n] and thou, LORD, art become their God.

25 And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and concerning his house, establish *it* for ever, and do as thou hast said.

26 And let thy name be magnified for

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ever, saying, The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.

27 For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast [a] revealed to thy servant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.

28 And now, O Lord GOD, thou *art* that God, and [d] thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

29 Therefore now ‖ let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken *it:* and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed [f] for ever.

CHAP. VIII.

AND [i] after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and David took [k] Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And [l] he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive. And *so* the Moabites became David's servants, *and* [m] brought gifts.

3 ¶ David smote also † Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of [o] Zobah, as he went to recover [p] his border at the river Euphrates.

4 And David took ‡ from him a thousand *chariots*, and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David [r] houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them *for* an hundred chariots.

5 And [s] when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and the Syrians became servants to David, *and* brought gifts. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

7 And David took [u] the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 And from ‖ Betah, and from [x] Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much brass.

9 ¶ When † Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer,

10 Then Toi sent [y] Joram his son unto king David, to ‡ salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: for Hadadezer § had wars with Toi. And ‖ *Joram* brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:

11 Which also king David [b] did dedicate unto the LORD, with the silver and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued;

12 Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of Zobah.

13 And David gat *him* a name when he returned from [c] smiting of the Syrians in *the* valley of salt, † *being* [d] eighteen thousand *men*.

14 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and [e] all they of Edom became David's servants. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

B. C. 1042.

[a] ch. 19. 13.
[b] *opened the ear.* Ru. 4. 4. 1 Sa. 9. 15.
[c] 1 Ki. 4. 3.
† or, *remembrancer, or, writer of chronicles.*
[d] 1 Ch. 24. 3.
‡ or, *secretary.*
[e] Jno. 17. 17.
[f] 1 Sa. 30. 14.
§ or, *princes,* ch. 20. 26.
‖ *be thou pleased and bless.*
[g] 1 Sa. 18. 3. Pr. 27. 10.
[h] ch. 22. 51.
[i] ch. 16. 1.
[k] 1 Ch. 18. 1, &c.
[l] or, *the bridle of Ammah.*
[m] Nu. 24. 17.
[n] 1 Sa. 27. 8.
[o] 1 Sa. 10. 27. Ps. 72. 10.
† or, *Hadarezer,* 1 Ch. 18. 3.
[p] ch. 17. 27.
[q] Ps. 60. title.
[r] Ge. 15. 18.
‡ or, *of his.*
[s] Called *Merib-baal* 1 Ch. 8. 34.
[t] Jos. 11. 6, 9.
[u] 1 Ki. 11. 23., 25.
[x] ver. 1, 3.
[y] 1 Ki. 10. 16
[z] ch. 16. 9. 1 Sa. 24. 14.
[a] ch. 16. 4. 19. 28, 29.
‖ or, *Tibhath*
[b] or, *Chun,* 1 Ch. 18. 8.
† *Tou,* 1 Ch. 18. 9.
[c] 1 Ch. 18. 10, *Hadoram.*
‡ 2 Ki. 25. 23. Lu. 14. 15.
‡ *ask him of peace.*
[d] ch. 19. 17.
§ *was a man of wars with.*
‖ *in his hand were.*
[e] 1 Ki. 7. 51.
[f] 1 Ch. 8. 34.
[g] ver. 7, 10.
[h] ver. 3.
[i] *his smiting*
[k] 2 Ki. 14. 7.
† or, *slaying.*
[l] Ps. 60. title.
[m] 1 Sa. 11. 1..3. 1 Ch. 19. 1, &c.
[n] Ge. 27. 29, 37, 40. Nu. 24. 18.
[o] De. 23. 3..6. Ne. 13. 1..3.

15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice unto all his people.

16 And [a] Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and [b] Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* † recorder;

17 And [c] Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and Seraiah *was* the † scribe;

18 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was over* both the [e] Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were § chief rulers.

CHAP. IX.

AND David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may [f] shew him kindness for Jonathan's sake?

2 And *there was* of the house of Saul a servant whose name *was* [g] Ziba. And when they had called him unto David, the king said unto him, *Art* thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant *is he.*

3 And the king said, *Is* there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew [i] the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, *which* is lame on *his* feet.

4 And the king said unto him, Where *is* he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he *is* in the house of [m] Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar.

5 ¶ Then king David sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar.

6 Now when § Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was come unto David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant!

7 ¶ And David said unto him, Fear not: [k] for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.

8 And he bowed himself, and said, What *is* thy servant, that thou shouldest look upon such [n] a dead dog as I *am?*

9 ¶ Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, [o] I have given unto thy master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house.

10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in *the fruits,* that thy master's son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son [p] shall eat bread alway at my table. Now Ziba had [q] fifteen sons and twenty servants.

11 Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, *said the king,* he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons.

12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, [r] whose name *was* Micha. And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba *were* servants unto Mephibosheth.

13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: [s] for he did eat continually at the king's table; and [t] was lame on both his feet.

CHAP. X.

AND it came to pass after this, that the [k] king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.

2 Then said David, [k] I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father shewed kindness unto me. And

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David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.

3 And the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, † Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? [d] hath not David *rather* sent his servants unto thee, to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, [e] and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, [f] *even* to their buttocks, and sent them away.

5 When they told *it* unto David, he sent to meet them, because the men were greatly ashamed: and the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return.

6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that they [g] stank before David, the children of Ammon sent and hired [‡] the Syrians of Beth-rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand men, and of [h] Ish-tob twelve thousand men.

7 And when David heard of *it*, he sent Joab, and all the host of [i] the mighty men.

8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entering in of the gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of [r] Rehob, and Ish-tob, and Maacah, *were* by themselves in the field.

9 When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind, he chose of all the choice *men* of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians:

10 And the rest of the people he delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he might put *them* in array against the children of Ammon.

11 And he said, [s] If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.

12 Be [t] of good courage, and let us [u] play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God: and the [v] LORD do that which seemeth him good.

13 And Joab drew nigh, and the people that *were* with him, unto the battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him.

14 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, then fled they also before Abishai, and entered into the city. So Joab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem.

15 ¶ And when the Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel, they gathered themselves together.

16 And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that *were* beyond [§] the river: and they came to Helam; and [‖] Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.

17 And when it was told David, he gathered all Israel together, and passed over Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought with him.

18 And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew *the men of* seven hundred chariots of the Syrians, and forty thousand [k] horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host, who died there.

19 And when all the kings *that were* servants to Hadarezer saw that they were smitten before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and [l] served them. So the Syrians [m] feared to help the children of Ammon any more.

B. C. 1037.

[a] ch. 8. 6.
[b] Ps. 18 37, 39. 89. 4, 5.
[c] *at the return of the year.* 1 Ki. 20. 22, 26. 2 Ch. 36. 10.
† *In thine eyes doth David?*
[d] 1 Ch. 20. 1.
[e] Gc. 42. 9, 16. 1 Co. 13. 5.
[f] Le. 19. 27. Ps 109. 4, 5.
[g] De. 22. 8.
[h] Is. 20. 4. 47. 2.
[i] Job 31. 1. Mat. 5. 28.
‡ or, *Bath-shuah.* 1 Ch. 3. 5.
§ or, *Ammiel.*
[r] ch. 23. 39.
[s] Ge. 34. 30. Ex. 5. 21. 1 Sa. 13. 4.
[t] Ps. 51. title. Is. 1. 14.
[u] Pr. 25. 8. Is. 8. 9, 10.
‖ or, *and when she had purified herself, &c. she returned.*
[v] Le. 15. 19, 28. 18. 19.
• or, *the men of Tob,* Ju. 11. 3, 5.
[a] ch. 23. 8.
[b] Job 20. 12, 14 Is. 29. 13.
† *of the peace of, &c.*
[c] Nu. 13. 21. Jos. 19. 28. Ju. 1. 31.
[d] Ge. 18. 4.
‡ *went out after him.*
[e] Job 5. 12, 14 Pr. 21. 30.
[f] Ne. 4. 20. Lu. 22. 32.
[g] De. 31. 6. He. 13. 6.
[h] 1 Sa. 4. 9. 1 Co. 16. 13.
[i] ch. 7. 2, 6.
[k] 1 Sa. 3. 18. Job 1. 21.
[a] ch. 20. 6.
[b] 1 Co. 9. 25.. 27. 2 Ti. 2. 3.
[c] Je. 2. 23, 33.
[d] Hab. 2. 15.
§ that is, *Euphrates.*
‖ or, *Shophach,* 1 Ch. 19. 16.
[e] 1 Ki. 21. 8, 9. Ps. 19. 13. 22. 2. Je. 9. 1..4. 17. 9.
[f] Ps. 51. 14.
• *strong.*
† *after him.*
[g] ch. 12. 9.
[h] 1 Ch. 19. 18. *footmen.*

CHAP. XI.

AND it came to pass, [a] after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth *to battle*, that [c] David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.

2 ¶ And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, [f] and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he [h] saw a woman washing herself; and the woman *was* very beautiful to look upon.

3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And *one* said, *Is* not this ‡ Bath-sheba, the daughter of § Eliam, the wife [i] of Uriah the Hittite?

4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and [l] he lay with her; ‖ for she was [m] purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I *am* with child.

6 ¶ And David sent to Joab, *saying*, [p] Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David.

7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David demanded *of him* † how Joab did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered.

8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and [s] wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there [t] followed him a mess *of meat* from the king.

9 But [t] Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.

10 And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from *thy* journey? why *then* didst thou not go down unto thine house?

11 And Uriah said unto David, [y] The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and [z] my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, [a] are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? *as* thou livest, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.

12 And [c] David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.

13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him [d] drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.

14 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that David [e] wrote a letter to Joab, and sent *it* by the hand of Uriah.

15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set [f] ye Uriah in the forefront of the [•] hottest battle, and retire ye from † him, that he may [g] be smitten, and die.

16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men *were*.

17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell *some* of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also.

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18 ¶ Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;

19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war unto the king,

20 And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall?

21 Who smote [e] Abimelech the son of [f] Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then say thou, [g] Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

22 ¶ So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.

23 And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate.

24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and *some* of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

25 Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing [*] displease thee, for the sword devoureth [†] one [P] as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.

26 ¶ And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.

27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she [r] became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done [§] displeased the LORD.

CHAP. XII.

AND [s] the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And [t] he came unto him, and [u] said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.

2 The rich *man* had exceeding many flocks and herds:

3 But the poor *man* had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own [*] meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.

4 And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him.

5 And David's [d] anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, *As* the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this *thing* [†] shall surely die:

6 And he shall restore the lamb [f] fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.

7 ¶ And Nathan said to David, Thou *art* the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I [i] anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if *that had been* too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.

9 Wherefore [v] hast thou [k] despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight? [l] thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife *to be* thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.

10 Now therefore [d] the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.

11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will [k] take thy wives before thine eyes, and give *them* unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

12 For thou didst *it* secretly: [i] but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.

13 And [k] David said unto Nathan, [l] I have sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto David, [m] The LORD also hath [n] put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD [*] to blaspheme, the child also *that is* born unto thee shall surely die.

15 ¶ And Nathan departed unto his house. And [r] the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

16 David therefore besought God for the child; and David [‡] fasted, and went in, and [t] lay all night upon the earth.

17 And the elders of his house arose, *and went* to him, to raise him up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.

18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spake unto him, and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then [‖] vex himself, if we tell him that the child is dead?

19 But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead: therefore David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.

20 Then David [u] arose from the earth, and washed, and [k] anointed *himself*, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of the LORD, and [x] worshipped: then he came to his own house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.

21 Then said his servants unto him, What thing *is* this that thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, *while it was* alive; but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.

22 And he said, While the child was yet alive, [t] I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell *whether* GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?

23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? [k] I shall go to him, but [h] he shall not return to me.

24 ¶ And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and [k] she bare a son, and [l] he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.

25 And he sent by the hand of [m] Nathan

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[a] 1 Sa. 15. 19.
[b] Nu. 15. 31.
[c] ch. 11. 15–17, 27.
[d] Am. 7. 9.
[e] Ju. 9. 53.
[f] Ju. 6. 32. *Jerubbaal.*
[g] P. 39. 8. Is. 14. 10.
[h] ch. 16. 22. De. 28. 30.
[i] Ec. 12. 14.
[k] 1 Sa. 15. 24.
[l] ch. 24. 10. Job 7. 20. Ps. 32. 5. 51. 4. Pr. 28. 13.
[m] La. 3. 31, 32.
[n] ch. 24. 10. Ps. 32. 1. 130. 3, 4. Joh 7. 21. Is. 6. 7. Mi. 7. 18. Zec. 3. 4.
[o] Is. 52. 5. Eze. 36. 20, 23. Ro. 2. 24.
[*] *be evil in thine eyes.*
[†] *so and such*
[P] Ec. 9. 1–3, 11, 12.
[r] De. 32. 39. Ps. 104. 29.
[‡] *fasted a fast.*
[s] ch. 13. 31. Job 20. 12–14. Ja. 4. 9, 10.
[t] ch. 12. 9.
[§] *was evil in the eyes of.*
[u] Is. 57. 17, 18. He. 4. 13.
[v] Ps. 51. title.
[x] ch. 14. 5, &c. 1 Ki. 20. 35–41. Is. 5. 3.
[‖] *do hurt.*
[a] Ps. 39. 9. La. 3. 39–41
[*] *worsel.*
[b] Ru. 3. 3.
[c] Job 1. 20. 2. 10.
[d] Ge. 38. 24. Lu. 6. 41, 42. 9. 55. Ro. 2. 1.
[†] *or, is worthy to die, or, is a son of death.* 1 Sa. 26. 16.
[e] Is. 38. 1, 5. Jon. 3. 8, 9.
[f] Ex. 22. 1. Lu. 19. 8.
[g] Job 30. 23. Lu. 23. 43.
[h] Job 7. 8–10.
[i] 1 Sa. 16. 13.
[k] Mat. 1. 6.
[l] 1 Ch. 22. 9.
[m] 1 Ki. 1. 11, 22.

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the prophet; and he called his name [o] Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

26 ¶ And [b] Joab fought against [c] Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.

27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.

28 Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, and [§] it be called after my name.

29 And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it.

30 And [h] he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight whereof *was* a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was *set* on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city [o] in great abundance.

31 And he brought forth the people that *were* therein, and put *them* under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

CHAP. XIII.

AND it came to pass after this, that [i] Absalom the son of David had [i] a fair sister, whose name *was* [m] Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.

2 And Amnon [o] was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she *was* a virgin; and [‡] Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.

3 But Amnon had a friend, whose name *was* Jonadab, [p] the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab *was* [r] a very subtil man.

4 And he said unto him, Why *art* thou, *being* the king's son, [s] lean [†] from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, [u] I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.

5 And Jonadab said unto him, [v] Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see *it*, and eat *it* at her hand.

6 ¶ So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and [‡] make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.

7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him meat.

8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took [‡] flour, and kneaded *it*, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.

9 And she took a pan, and poured *them* out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, [b] Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.

10 And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought *them* into the chamber to Amnon her brother.

11 And when she had brought *them* unto him to eat, he [c] took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.

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[o] 1 e. *Beloved of the* LORD.
† *humble me,* Ge. 31. 2.
‡ *it ought not so to be done.*
[a] Le. 20. 17.
[b] 1 Ch. 20. 1.
[c] De. 3. 11.
[d] Ge. 34. 7. Ju. 19. 23. 20. 6.
[e] Le. 18. 9, 11.
§ *my name be called upon it.*
[f] ch. 12. 11. De. 22. 25.
‖ *with great hatred greatly.*
[g] Eze. 23. 17.
[h] 1 Ch. 20. 2.
[o] *very great.*
[i] Ge. 37. 3. Ju. 5. 30. Ps. 45. 14.
[j] ch. 1. 2. Jos. 7. 6. Job 2. 12.
[k] ch. 3. 2, 3. 1 Ch. 3. 2.
[l] Pr. 6. 25.
[m] 1 Ch. 3. 9.
[n] Je. 2. 37.
[o] 1 Ki. 21. 4. 2 Co. 7. 10.
† *Amnon.*
‡ *it was marvellous,* or, *hidden in the eyes of Amnon.*
§ *set not thine heart* ‖ *and desolate.*
[p] 1 Sa. 16. 9.
[r] Ge. 3. 1. Je. 4. 22. 1 Co. 3. 19. Ja. 3. 15.
[s] *thin.*
† *morning by morning.*
[t] Ge. 24. 50. 31. 24.
[u] Le. 19. 17, 18.
[v] Is. 3. 9. Je. 9. 12. Mi. 7. 3.
[w] Pr. 19. 27. Ac. 23. 15.
[x] Ge. 38. 12, 13. 1 Sa. 25. 4, 36.
[y] Ps. 12. 2. 55. 21. Je. 41. 6, 7.
[z] Ge. 18. 6.
‡ or, *paste.*
[a] Ju. 19. 6, 9, 22. Ru. 3. 7. 1 Sa. 25. 36. Es. 1. 10. Ps. 104. 15.
[b] Ge. 45. 1. Jno. 3. 20.
§ or, *will you not, since I have commanded you?* Jos. 1. 9.
‖ *sons of valour.*
[c] *rode.*
[c] Ge. 39. 12.

12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not [†] force me; for [‡] no [a] such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this [d] folly.

13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; [e] for he will not withhold me from thee.

14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, [f] forced her, and lay with her.

15 ¶ Then Amnon hated her [§] exceedingly; [g] so that the hatred wherewith he hated her *was* greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.

16 And she said unto him, *There is* no cause: this evil in sending me away *is* greater than the other that thou didst unto me. But he would not hearken unto her.

17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this *woman* out from me, and bolt the door after her.

18 And *she had* [i] a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters *that were* virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.

19 ¶ And Tamar put [j] ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that *was* on her, and [n] laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.

20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath † Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he *is* thy brother; § regard not this thing. So Tamar remained ‖ desolate in her brother Absalom's house.

21 ¶ But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.

22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon [r] neither good nor bad: for Absalom [s] hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.

23 ¶ And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom [t] had sheepshearers in Baal-hazor, which *is* beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.

24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers; § let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant.

25 And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be chargeable unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit he would not go, but blessed him.

26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said unto him, Why should he go with thee?

27 But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.

28 ¶ Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's [a] heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not: § have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be ‖ valiant.

29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man [o] gat him up upon his mule, and fled.

30 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left.

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31 Then the king arose, and [a]tare his garments, and [b] lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent.

32 And [c] Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose *that* they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for by the † appointment of Absalom this hath been ‡ determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.

33 Now therefore *f* let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead.

34 But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him.

35 And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons come: § as thy servant said, so it is.

36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept [g] very sore.

37 ¶ But Absalom fled, and went to † Talmai, the son of † Ammihud, king of Geshur. And *David* mourned for his son every day.

38 So Absalom fled, and went to [m] Geshur, and was there three years.

39 And *the soul of* king David ‖ longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was [n] comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

CHAP. XIV.

NOW Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart *was* toward Absalom.

2 And Joab sent to [o] Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and said unto her, I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:

3 And come to the king, and speak on this manner unto him. So Joab [p] put the words in her mouth.

4 ¶ And when the woman of Tekoah spake to the king, she [q] fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, [r] Help, [s] O king.

5 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, [t] I *am* indeed a widow woman, and mine husband is dead.

6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and *there was* † none to part them, but the one smote the other, and slew him.

7 And, behold, [u] the whole family is risen against thine handmaid, and they said, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew; and we will destroy the heir also: and so they shall quench my coal which is left, and shall not leave to my husband *neither* name nor remainder upon ‖ the earth.

8 And the king said unto the woman, Go to thine house, and I will give charge concerning thee.

9 And the woman of Tekoah said unto the king, My lord, O king, [x] the iniquity *be* on me, and on my father's house: [y] and the king and his throne *be* guiltless.

10 And the king said, Whosoever saith

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[a] ch. 1. 11.
[b] ch. 12. 16. ver. 3.
[c] *that the revenger of blood do not multiply to destroy.*
[d] Nu. 35. 19. De. 19. 6. Ac. 27. 34.
† *mouth.*
‡ or, *settled.*
[f] ch. 19. 19.
[g] Ju. 20. 2.
[h] ch. 13. 37, 38.
[i] Job 34. 15. He. 9. 27.
§ *according to the word of thy servant.*
‖ or, *because God hath not taken away* his *life, he hath also devised means, &c.*
[k] Nu. 35. 15, 25.
[l] *with a great weeping greatly*
[m] ch. 3. 3.
† or, *Ammihur.*
[n] ch. 13. 8.
‡ or, *was consumed.*
[o] Ge. 38. 12.
§ *for rest.*
[p] ch. 19. 27. Pr. 25. 20. 29. 5.
‖ *to hear.*
[q] 1 Ki. 3. 9, 28. 1 Co 2. 14, 15.
[r] 2 Ch. 11. 6.
[s] 1 Sa. 3. 17, 18. Je. 38. 14, 25.
[t] Ex. 4. 15.
[u] 1 Sa. 20. 41.
[x] *Save.*
[y] 2 Ki. 6. 26, 28.
[z] ch. 19. 1, &c.
[a] ch. 19. 27. Jos. 22. 21, 22
† *no deliverer between them*
[b] Mat. 14. 9.
[c] De. 19. 12.
‡ *blessed.*
§ or, *thy*
‖ *the face of the earth.*
[b] ch. 13. 37.
[c] ch. 3. 13. Ge. 43. 3. Ex. 10. 28.
[d] Ge. 37. 13. 1 Sa. 25. 24. Mat. 27. 25.
[e] ch. 3. 28, 29. 1 Ki. 2. 33.
[f] *And as Absalom there was not a beautiful man in all Israel to praise greatly.*
1 Sa. 9. 2. 16. 7. Mat. 23. 27.
[g] Is. 1. 6.

ought unto thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more.

11 Then said she, I pray thee, let the king remember the LORD thy God, [a] that thou wouldest not suffer [b] the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, [c] *As* the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.

12 Then the woman said, Let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak *one* word unto my lord the king. And he said, Say on.

13 And the woman said, Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against [d] the people of God? for the king doth speak this thing as one which is faulty, in that the king doth not fetch home again [e] his banished.

14 For we [f] must needs die, and *are* as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth God respect *any* person: yet doth he [g] devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him.

15 Now therefore that I am come to speak of this thing unto my lord the king, *it is* because the people have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, I will now speak unto the king; it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid.

16 For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand of the man *that would* destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God.

17 Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be § comfortable: for [h] as an angel of God, so is my lord the king ‖ to discern [i] good and bad: therefore the LORD thy God will be with thee.

18 Then the king answered and said unto the woman, [k] Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak.

19 And the king said, *Is not* the hand of Joab with thee in all this? And the woman answered and said, *As* thy soul liveth, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from ought that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid:

20 To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord *is* wise, [l] according to the wisdom of an angel of God, to know all *things* that *are* in the earth.

21 ¶ And the king said unto Joab, Behold now, [m] I have done this thing: go therefore, bring the young man Absalom again.

22 And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and ‖ thanked the king: and Joab said, To day thy servant knoweth that I have found grace in thy sight, my lord O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of § his servant.

23 So Joab arose [n] and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem.

24 And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him [o] not see my face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.

25 ¶ [p] But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom [q] for his beauty: [r] from the sole of his foot

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even to the crown of his head there was [a] no blemish in him.

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled *it:* because *the hair* was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed [d] the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

27 And [e] unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name *was* Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.

28 ¶ So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, [f] and saw not the king's face.

29 Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king; [f] but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come.

30 Therefore he said unto his servants, See, Joab's field is [†] near mine, and he hath barley there; [a] go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the field on fire.

31 Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto *his* house, and said unto him, Wherefore have thy servants set my field on fire?

32 And Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent unto thee, saying, Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? *it had been* good for me *to have been* there still: now therefore let me see the king's face; and [g] if there be *any* iniquity in me, let him kill me.

33 So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king: and the king [v] kissed Absalom.

CHAP. XV.

AND [a] it came to pass after this, that Absalom [y] prepared him chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.

2 And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was *so*, that when any man that had a controversy [b] came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel.

3 And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters *are* good and right; but [†] *there is* no man *deputed* of the king to hear thee.

4 Absalom said moreover, [c] Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and [d] I would do him justice!

5 And it was *so*, that when any man came nigh *to him* to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.

6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: [§] so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

7 ¶ And it came to pass [h] after forty years, that Absalom said unto the king, I pray thee, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto the LORD, in Hebron.

8 For [i] thy servant [i] vowed a vow [m] while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If the LORD shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.

9 And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to Hebron.

10 ¶ But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.

11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, *that were* [k] called; and they went [r] in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.

12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, [e] David's counsellor, from his city, *even* from [f] Giloh, while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people [‡] increased continually with Absalom.

13 ¶ And there came a messenger to David, saying, [i] The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.

14 And David said unto all his servants that *were* with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us [m] flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and [k] bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.

15 And the king's servants said unto the king, [e] Behold, thy servants *are ready to do* whatsoever my lord the king shall [‡] appoint.

16 And [p] the king went forth, and all his houshold [§] after him. And the king left [r] ten women, *which were* concubines, to keep the house.

17 And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and tarried in a place that was far off.

18 And all his servants passed on beside him; [s] and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men which came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.

19 ¶ Then said the king to [n] Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou also with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king: for thou *art* a stranger, and also an exile.

20 Whereas thou camest *but* yesterday, should I this day [‖] make thee go up and down with us? seeing I go [a] whither I may, return thou, and take back thy brethren: [a] mercy and truth *be* with thee.

21 And Ittai answered the king, and said, [b] *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be.

22 And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that *were* with him.

23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook [‡] Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the [a] wilderness.

24 ¶ And lo Zadok also, and all the Levites *were* with him, [f] bearing the ark of the covenant of God: and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city.

25 And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city: if I shall find favour in the eyes of the LORD, he [i] will bring me again, and shew me *both* it, and his habitation:

26 But if he thus say, I have no [m] delight in thee; behold, *here am* I, [e] let him do to me as seemeth good unto him.

27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest, *Art not* thou a [p] seer? return into the city in peace, and [r] your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.

28 See, I will tarry in the plain of the

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[a] Ep. 5. 27.
[b] 1 Sa. 9. 13. 16. 3, 5.
[c] Ge. 20. 5.
[d] Is. 3. 24. 1 Co. 11. 14.
[e] Ps. 41. 9. 55. 12-14. Jno. 13. 18.
[f] Jos. 15. 51.
[g] ch. 18. 18.
[h] Ps. 3. 1.
[i] ver. 6. Ju. 9. 3. Ps. 62. 9. Mat. 21. 9. 27. 22.
[k] ver. 24.
[l] Es. 1. 12. Mat. 22. 3.
[m] ch. 19. 9.
[n] *Ahrust.*
[†] *near my place.*
[a] Ju. 15. 4, 5.
[o] Lu. 22. 28, 29. Jno. 6. 66. 69. 15. 14.
[‡] *choose.*
[p] Ps. 3. title.
[§] *at his feet.*
[r] ch. 16. 21, 22.
[s] 1 Sa. 15. 18. Ps. 26. 2. Pr. 28. 13. Jo. 2. 12, 13. Ro. 3. 19.
[t] ch. 8. 18.
[u] ch. 18. 2.
[v] Ge. 33. 4. 45. 15. Lu. 15. 20.
[x] ch. 19. 11.
[y] 1 Ki. 1. 5.
[‖] *make thee wander in going.*
[a] 1 Sa. 23. 13.
[a] Ps. 61. 7. Pr. 14. 22. 2 Ti. 1. 16..18
[a] *to come.*
[b] Ru. 1. 16, 17. Pr. 17. 17. 18. 24.
[†] or, *none will hear thee from the king* downward.
[c] Ju. 9. 1, 2, 29. Lu. 14. 11.
[d] Pr. 27. 2. 2 Pe. 2. 19.
[‡] called *Cedron.* Jno. 18. 1.
[e] ch. 16. 2. Mat. 3. 1. Lu. 1. 80.
[f] Nu. 4. 15.
[§] Ro. 16. 18. 2 Pe. 2. 3.
[h] 1 Sa. 16. 1.
[i] Ps. 27. 4. 5. 42. 1, 2. 43. 3. Is. 38. 22.
[k] 1 Sa. 16. 2.
[l] Ge. 28. 20, 21.
[m] ch. 13. 38.
[n] Nu. 14. 8. 2 Sa. 22. 20. 1 Ki. 10. 9. 2 Ch. 9. 8. Is. 62. 4.
[o] 1 Sa. 3. 18.
[p] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[r] ch. 17. 17.

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wilderness, until there come word from you to certify me.

29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem: and they tarried there.

30 ¶ And David went up by the ascent of *mount* Olivet, † and wept as he went up, and * had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that *was* with him * covered every man his head, and they went up, § weeping as they went up.

31 ¶ And *one* told David, saying, [a] Ahithophel *is* among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O LORD, I pray thee, [b] turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.

32 ¶ And it came to pass, that *when* David was come to the top *of the mount*, where he worshipped God, behold, Hushai the [c] Archite came to meet him * with his coat rent, and earth upon his head:

33 Unto whom David said, If thou passest on with me, then thou shalt be [d] a burden unto me:

34 But if thou return to the city, and say unto Absalom, " I will be thy servant, O king: *as* I *have been* thy father's servant hitherto, *so will* I now also *be* thy servant: then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.

35 And *hast thou* not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, *that* what thing soever thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell *it* to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.

36 Behold, *they have* there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's *son*, and Jonathan Abiathar's *son*; and by them ye shall send unto me every thing that ye can hear.

37 So Hushai [e] David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.

CHAP. XVI.

AND [a] when David was a little past the top *of the hill*, behold, [c] Ziba the servant of Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred *loaves* of bread, and an hundred bunches of raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of wine.

2 And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses *be* for the king's houshold to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, [f] that such as be faint in the wilderness may drink.

3 And the king said, And where *is* thy master's son? [i] And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said, To day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.

4 Then [i] said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine *are* all that *pertained* unto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, * I humbly beseech thee *that* I may find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king.

5 ¶ And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name *was* [m] Shimei, the son of Gera: † he came forth, and cursed still as he came.

6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men *were* on his right hand and on his left.

7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou § bloody man, and thou [s] man of Belial:

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[a] Ju. 9. 24,56, 57. 1 Ki. 2. 32,33.
[b] ch. 1. 16. 3. 28,29.
* *behold thee in thy evil.*
† *going up, and weeping.*
[c] ch. 19. 4. Ez. 6. 12.
[d] ch. 9. 8. 1 Sa. 24. 14.
[e] Je. 14. 3, 4.
[f] Ex. 22. 26.
[g] Ps. 126. 6.
[h] Ps. 3. 1, 2. 55. 15, &c.
[i] 1 Pe. 2. 23.
[k] 2 Ki. 18. 25. La. 3. 38.
[l] ch. 16. 23. 17. 14, 23.
[m] Ro. 9. 20.
[n] ch. 12. 11.
[o] Ge. 15. 4.
[p] Jos. 16. 2.
[r] ch. 1. 2.
[s] ch. 19. 35.
† *eye*, or, *tears.* Ge. 29. 32. 1 Sa. 1. 11. Ps. 25. 18.
[t] Ro. 8. 28. He. 12. 10.
[u] ch. 16. 19.
§ *dusted* him *with dust.*
[x] ch. 15. 37.
|| *Let the king live.*
[y] ch. 16. 15, 16. 1 Ch. 27. 33.
[z] Pe. 55. 21. Pr. 17. 17. 18. 24.
[a] ch. 15. 30, 32.
[b] 1 Sa. 16. 13.
[c] ch. 9. 2.
[d] 1 Sa. 28. 2. 29. 8. Ga. 2. 13.
[e] ch. 20. 3. Ge. 35. 22. Le. 20. 11. 1 Co. 5. 1.
[f] ch. 15. 23. 17. 29.
[g] Ge. 34. 30. 1 Sa. 13. 4.
[h] Zec. 8. 13.
[i] ch. 19. 27.
[k] Ch. 12. 11, 12.
[l] Pr. 18. 13.
* *I do obeisance.*
† *word.*
[m] ch. 15. 12.
[n] 1 Ki. 2. 8, 44.
‡ *or, he still came forth and cursed*
[o] Pr. 1. 16. Is. 59. 7, 8.
[p] ch. 16. 14. De. 25. 18.
[r] Zec. 13. 7. Mat. 21. 38. 26. 31, 46.
§ *man of blood.*
[s] De. 13. 13.

8 The LORD hath [o] returned upon thee all [p] the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned; and the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom thy son: and, * behold, thou *art taken* in thy mischief, because thou *art* a bloody man.

9 ¶ Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should this [q] dead dog [r] curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.

10 And the king said, [s] What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so let him curse, because [t] the LORD hath said unto him, Curse David. [u] Who shall then say, Wherefore hast thou done so?

11 And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, " my son, which [x] came forth of my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now *may this* Benjamite *do it?* let him alone, and let him curse; for the LORD hath bidden him.

12 It may be that the LORD will look on mine † affliction, and that the LORD will [y] requite me good for his cursing this day.

13 And as David and his men went by the way, Shimei went along on the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and § cast dust.

14 And the king, and all the people that *were* with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there.

15 ¶ And Absalom, and all the people the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.

16 And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, [z] David's friend, was come unto Absalom, that Hushai said unto Absalom, || God save the king, God save the king.

17 And Absalom said to Hushai, *Is* this thy kindness to thy friend? [a] why wentest thou not with thy friend?

18 And Hushai said unto Absalom, Nay; [b] but whom the LORD, and this people, and all the men of Israel, choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.

19 And again, [c] whom should I serve? *should I* not *serve* in the presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence.

20 ¶ Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we shall do.

21 And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, [d] Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou [e] art abhorred of thy father: then shall [f] the hands of all that *are* with thee be strong.

22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines [g] in the sight of all Israel.

23 And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, *was* as if a man had enquired at the oracle of God: so *was* all the counsel of Ahithophel [h] both with David and with Absalom.

CHAP. XVII.

MOREOVER Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men, and [i] I will arise and pursue after David this night:

2 And I will come upon him while he *is* [k] weary and weak handed, and will make him afraid: and all the people that *are* with him shall flee; and I will [l] smite the king only:

3 And I will bring back all the people

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unto thee: the man whom thou seekest *is* as if all returned: *so* all the people shall be in peace.

4 And the saying [*] pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of Israel.

5 Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise [†] what he saith.

6 And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him, saying, Ahithophel hath spoken *after* this manner: shall we do *after* his [‡] saying? if not; speak thou.

7 And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath [§] given *is* not good at this time.

8 For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they *be* mighty men, and they *be* [‖] chafed in their minds, as a [a] bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father *is* a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.

9 Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some *other* place: and it will come to pass, when some of them be [‡] overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will say, There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.

10 And he also *that is* valiant, whose heart *is* as the heart of a lion, shall utterly [*f*] melt: for all Israel knoweth that thy father *is* a mighty man, and *they* which *be* with him *are* valiant men.

11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally gathered unto thee, [*h*] from Dan even to Beer-sheba, [*i*] as the sand that *is* by the sea for multitude; and that [†] thou go to battle in thine own person.

12 So [*l*] shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: [*m*] and of him and of all the men that *are* with him there shall not be left so much as one.

13 Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, [*n*] until there be not one small stone found there.

14 And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite *is* better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For [*o*] the LORD had [§] appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, [*p*] to the intent that the LORD might bring evil upon Absalom.

15 ¶ Then [*q*] said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.

16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not this night [*r*] in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that *are* with him.

17 Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz [*s*] stayed by [*t*] En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come into the city: and a wench went and told them; and they went and told king David.

18 Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom: but they went both of them away quickly, and came to a man's house [*u*] in Bahurim, which had a well in his court; whither they went down.

19 And [§] the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn thereon; and the thing was not known.

20 And when Absalom's servants came

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[*] Ex. 1. 19.
[*] *was right in the eyes of, &c.* 1 Sa. 18. 20.
[†] *what* is *in his mouth.*
[‡] *word.*
[§] *counselled.*
[‖] *bitter of soul.* Ju. 18. 25.
[‡] *done.*
[a] Ho. 13. 8.
[a] ch. 15. 12.
[†] *gave charge concerning his house.* 2 Ki. 20. 1.
[d] Mat. 27. 5.
[‡] *fallen.*
[e] ch. 2. 8. Ge. 32. 2. Jos. 13. 26.
[§] or, *Jether an Ishmaelite.*
[f] Jos. 2. 11.
[‖] *Abigal.*
[g] 1 Ch. 2. 16, 17
[e] or, *Jesse.* 1 Ch. 2. 13, 16
[h] Ju. 20. 1.
[i] Ge. 22. 17.
[†] *thy face, or, presence go*
[k] ch. 10. 1. 12. 30.
[l] 1 Sa. 23. 23.
[m] ch. 9. 4.
[n] Is. 10. 13, 14.
[‡] or, *cups.*
[o] Lu. 21. 6.
[p] Lu. 8. 2. Phi. 4. 15. 16.
[r] Ec. 11. 1, 2. Is. 21. 14. 59. 7.
[s] ch. 16. 2.
[t] ch. 15. 31, 34. 2 Ch. 25. 16, 20.
[§] *commanded*
[u] Pr. 19. 21. 21. 30. Is. 8. 10. 1 Co. 3. 19.
[e] ch. 15. 35.
[x] ch. 15. 19.
[y] Ps. 3. 6. 27. 1, 3. 118. 6, 7.
[z] ch. 15. 28.
[a] ch. 21. 17.
[‖] *set their heart on us*
[b] Jos. 2. 4, &c.
[c] Jos. 15. 7. 18. 16.
[e] *as.*
[d] La. 4. 20.
[†] *be to succour.*
[e] ch. 16. 5.
[f] Ps. 103. 13.
[g] Jos. 2. 6.
[h] ver. 12.

to the woman to the house, they said, Where *is* Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And [*] the woman said unto them, They be gone over the brook of water. And when they had sought and could not find *them*, they returned to Jerusalem.

21 And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up out of the well, and went and told king David, and said unto David, Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you.

22 Then David arose, and all the people that *were* with him, and they passed over Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.

23 ¶ And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not [*] followed, he saddled *his* ass, and arose, and gat him home to his house, to [*e*] his city, and [†] put his household in order, and [*d*] hanged himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.

24 Then David came to [*e*] Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.

25 ¶ And Absalom made Amasa captain of the host instead of Joab: which Amasa *was* a man's son, whose name *was* [§] Ithra an Israelite, that went in to [‖] Abigail [*g*] the daughter of [*] Nahash, sister to Zeruiah Joab's mother.

26 So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

27 ¶ And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that [*h*] Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and [*m*] Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,

28 Brought beds, and [‡] basons, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched *corn*, and beans, and lentiles, and parched *pulse*,

29 And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of kine, [*p*] for David, and for the people that *were* with him, to eat: for they said, [*r*] The people *is* hungry, and weary, and thirsty, [*s*] in the wilderness.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND David numbered the people that *were* with him, and set captains of thousands and captains of hundreds over them.

2 And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, [*x*] and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said unto the people, [*y*] I will surely go forth with you myself also.

3 But [*a*] the people answered, Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not [‖] care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but now *thou art* [*] worth [*d*] ten thousand of us: therefore now *it is* better that thou [†] succour us out of the city.

4 And the king said unto them, What seemeth you best I will do. And the king stood by the gate side, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands.

5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, [*f*] *Deal* gently for my sake with the young man, *even* with Absalom. [*h*] And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.

6 ¶ So the people went out into the field

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against Israel: and the battle was in the [a] wood of Ephraim;

7 Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and [b] there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand *men*.

8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and [d] the wood [e] devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.

9 ¶ And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and [f] his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that *was* under him went away.

10 And a certain man saw *it*, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.

11 And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest *him*, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten *shekels* of silver, and a girdle.

12 And the man said unto Joab, Though I should [o] receive a thousand *shekels* of silver in mine hand, *yet* would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: [g] for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, [†] Beware that none *touch* the young man Absalom.

13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against me.

14 Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus [§] with thee. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he *was* yet alive in the [‖] midst of the oak.

15 And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.

16 And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel: for Joab held back the people.

17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and [m] laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.

18 ¶ Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a pillar, which *is* in [o] the king's dale: for he said, [p] I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place.

19 ¶ Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how that the LORD hath [†] avenged him of his enemies.

20 And Joab said unto him, Thou shalt not [‡] bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead.

21 Then said Joab to Cushi, Go tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cushi bowed himself unto Joab, and ran.

22 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But [*] howsoever, let me, I pray thee, also run after Cushi. And Joab said, Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings [†] ready?

23 But howsoever, *said he*, let me run. And he said unto him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, [x] and overran Cushi.

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[a] Jos. 17. 15, 18
[b] 2 Ki. 9. 17. Eze. 33. 2. 7.
[c] Pr. 11. 21.
[d] Jos. 10. 11. Ju. 5. 20, 21. Ps. 3. 7.
[e] *multiplied to devour.*
[f] Job 18. 8. 10 31. 3. Ps. 63. 9, 10. Pr. 20. 20. 30. 17. Ga. 3. 13.
[†] *I see the running.*
[g] 1 Ki. 1. 52. Pr. 25. 13.
[‡] *Peace*, or, *Peace be to thee.*
[§] *shut up.*
[‖] Is there *peace?*
[o] *weigh upon mine hand.*
[g] ver. 5.
[†] *Beware whosoever ye be of, &c.*
[‡] *Tidings is brought.*
[h] Ps. 56. 10. 94. 1...4. 124. 1...5.
[§] *before thee.*
[i] Ju. 5. 31. Da. 4. 19.
[‖] *heart.*
[k] ch. 19. 4.
[l] Pr. 10. 1. 17. 25.
[m] Jos. 7. 26.
[o] *salvation*, or, *deliverance.*
[n] Pr. 16. 15. 19. 12.
[o] Ge. 14. 17.
[p] ch. 14. 27. Job 18. 16.. 19. Is. 14. 22. Je. 22. 30. ver. 32. Ge. 21. 27.
[r] ch. 15. 30.
[t] ch. 18. 33.
[†] *judged him from the hand, &c.*
[‡] *be a man of tidings.*
[*] Ps. 18. 47, 48.
[§] *By leaving, &c.*
[‖] *that princes or servants are not to thee.*
[*] Job 34. 18. Pr. 19. 10.
[†] *be what may.*
[†] or, *convenient.*
[‡] *to the heart of thy servants.* Ge. 34. 3.
[x] Jno. 20. 4.
[y] Pr. 14. 26.

24 And David sat between the two gates: and [b] the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone.

25 And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he *be* alone, *there is* tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near.

26 And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called unto the porter, and said, Behold *another* man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings.

27 And the watchman said, [†] Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, [f] He *is* a good man, and cometh with good tidings.

28 And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, [‡] All is well. And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed *be* the LORD thy God, which hath [§] delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.

29 And the king said, [‖] Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and *me* thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what *it was*.

30 And the king said *unto him*, Turn aside, *and* stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still.

31 And, behold, Cushi came; and Cushi said, [‡] Tidings, my lord the king: for [h] the LORD hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee.

32 And the king said unto Cushi, *Is* the young man Absalom safe? And Cushi answered, [i] The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do *thee* hurt, be as *that* young man *is*.

33 ¶ And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, [k] O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God *I* had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!

CHAP. XIX.

AND it was told Joab, Behold, the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom.

2 And the [o] victory that day was [n] *turned* into mourning unto all the people: for the people heard say that day how the king was grieved for his son.

3 And the people gat them by stealth that day [r] into the city, as people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.

4 But the [o] king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, [t] O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son!

5 And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, Thou hast shamed this day the faces of all thy servants, which this day [n] have saved thy life, and the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines;

6 § In that thou lovest thine enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast declared this day, [‖] that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day [y] I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased thee well.

7 Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak [‡] comfortably unto thy servants: for I swear by the LORD, if thou go not forth, [y] there will not tarry one with thee this night: and that will be worse unto

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thee than [a] all the evil that befell thee from thy youth until now.

8 Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all the people, saying, Behold, the king doth sit in the gate. And all the people came before the king: [c] for Israel had fled every man to his tent.

9 ¶ And all the people [d] were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The king saved us out of the hand of our enemies, and he delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is [e] fled out of the land for Absalom.

10 And Absalom, [h] whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why [o] speak ye not a word of bringing the king back?

11 ¶ And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak unto the elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to the king, *even* to his house.

12 Ye *are* my brethren, ye *are* [l] my bones and my flesh: wherefore then are ye the last to bring back the king?

13 And [m] say ye to Amasa, *Art* thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? [n] God do so to me, and more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.

14 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, [p] even as *the heart of* one man; so that they sent *this word* unto the king, Return thou, and all thy servants.

15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to [r] Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.

16 ¶ And [s] Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite, which *was* of Bahurim, [t] hasted and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David.

17 And *there were* a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and [y] Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.

18 And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's houshold, and to do [‖] what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera [b] fell down before the king, as he was come over Jordan;

19 And said unto the king, [c] Let not my lord impute iniquity unto me, neither do thou remember [d] that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should [f] take it to his heart.

20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king.

21 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, [g] Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he [h] cursed the LORD's anointed?

22 And David said, [k] What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah, that ye should this day be adversaries unto me? [l] shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know that I *am* this day king over Israel?

23 Therefore [m] the king said unto Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king [n] sware unto him.

24 ¶ And [p] Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king, and had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came *again* in peace.

25 And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said unto him, [k] Wherefore wentest not thou with me, Mephibosheth?

26 And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, I will saddle me an ass, that I may ride thereon, and go to the king; because thy servant *is* lame.

27 And [c] he hath slandered thy servant unto my lord the king; [f] but my lord the king *is* as an angel of God: do therefore *what is* good in thine eyes.

28 For all [o] of my father's house were but † dead men before my lord the king: [i] yet didst thou set thy servant among them that did eat at thine own table. What right therefore have I yet to cry any more unto the king?

29 And the king said unto him, [k] Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba divide the land.

30 And Mephibosheth said unto the king, Yea, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the king is come again in peace unto his own house.

31 ¶ And [e] Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over Jordan with the king, to conduct him over Jordan.

32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, *even* fourscore years old: and [f] he had provided the king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for he *was* a very great man.

33 And the king said unto Barzillai, Come thou over with me, and I will feed thee with me in Jerusalem.

34 And Barzillai said unto the king, ‡ How long [u] have I to live, that I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem?

35 I *am* this day [x] fourscore years old: *and* can I discern between good and evil? can thy servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more [z] the voice of singing men and singing women? wherefore then should thy servant be yet [a] a burden unto my lord the king?

36 Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense it me with such a reward?

37 Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, *and be buried* by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant [c] Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good unto thee.

38 And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou shalt ‖ require of me, *that* will I do for thee.

39 And all the people went over Jordan. And when the king was come over, the king [i] kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto his own place.

40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and [c] Chimham went on with him: and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Israel.

41 ¶ And, behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said unto the king, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee away, and [c] have brought the king, and his houshold, and all David's men with him, over Jordan?

42 And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king *is* [r] near of kin to us: wherefore then be ye

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[a] Ps. 71. 4, &c.
[b] ch. 16. 17.
[c] 1 Ki. 12. 16. 2 Ki. 14. 12.
[d] Ja. 3. 14., 16.
[e] ch. 16. 3. Ex. 20. 16. Ps. 15. 3. 101. 5. Je. 9. 4.
[f] ch. 15. 14.
[g] ch. 14. 17, 20.
[h] Ho. 8. 4.
[o] *are ye silent?* Ju. 18. 9.
† *men of death.* 1 Sa. 28. 16.
[i] ch. 9. 7, 10, 13
[k] Pr. 18. 13. Jno. 7. 51. Ac. 16. 15.
[l] ch. 5. 1. Ep. 5. 30.
[m] ch. 17. 25.
[n] Ru. 1. 17.
[p] 1 Ki. 2. 7.
[p] Ju. 20. 1. Ps. 110. 2, 3. Ac. 4. 32.
[r] ch. 17. 27.
[s] Jos. 5. 9. 1 Sa. 11. 14, 15
[t] ch. 16. 5.
[y] 1 Ki. 2. 8.
‡ *How many days are the years of my life?*
[u] Ps. 39. 5. 1 Co. 7. 29. Ja. 4. 14.
[x] Pr. 6. 4, 5. Mat. 5. 25.
[z] Ps. 90. 10.
[a] ch. 9. 2, 10. 16. 1, 3.
[a] Ec. 2. 8.
[a] Ec. 12. 3., 5.
§ *the good in his eyes.*
[b] Ps. 66. 3.
[c] 1 Sa. 22. 15.
[d] ch. 16. 5, 6. &c. Ex. 10. 16, 17 1 Sa. 26. 21.
[e] 1 Ki. 2. 7. Je. 41. 17.
[f] ch. 13. 33. 1 Sa. 25. 25.
‖ *choose.*
[g] Lu. 9. 54., 56
[h] Ex. 22. 28.
[i] Ge. 31. 55.
[k] ch. 16. 10.
[c] *Chimham.*
[l] 1 Sa. 11. 13. Is. 16. 5. Mat. 6. 12.
[m] 1 Ki. 2. 8, 9, 37, 46.
[n] Ho. 6. 16.
[o] ver. 15.
[p] ch. 9. 6.
[r] ver. 12. 1 Ch. 2. 13., 17.

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angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's *cost*? or hath he given us any gift?

43 And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king, and we have also more *right* in David than ye: why then did ye † despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king? And [c] the words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the men of Israel.

CHAP. XX.

AND there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name *was* Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, [d] We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: [e] every man to his tents, O Israel.

2 So every man of Israel went up from after David, *and* followed Sheba the son of Bichri: but the men of Judah clave unto their king, from Jordan even to Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women *his* [f] concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in ‖ ward, and fed them, but went not in unto them. So they were [g] shut up unto the day of their death, † living in widowhood.

4 ¶ Then [h] said the king to Amasa, § Assemble me the men of Judah within three days, and be thou here present.

5 So Amasa went to assemble *the men of* Judah: but he tarried longer than the set time which he had appointed him.

6 And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than *did* Absalom: take thou [i] thy lord's servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities, and [k] escape us.

7 And there went out after him Joab's men, and the [m] Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

8 When they *were* at the great stone which *is* in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And Joab's garment that he had put on was girded unto him, and upon it a girdle *with* a sword fastened upon his loins in the sheath thereof; and as he went forth it fell out.

9 And Joab said to Amasa, *Art* thou in health, my brother? [n] And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

10 But Amasa took no heed to the sword that *was* in Joab's hand: so [o] he smote him therewith [p] in the fifth *rib*, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and ‖ struck him not again; and he died. So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.

11 And one of Joab's men stood by him, and said, He that favoureth Joab, and he that *is* for David, *let him go* after Joab.

12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And when the man saw that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by him stood still.

13 When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

14 ¶ And he went through all the tribes of Israel unto [q] Abel, and to Beth-maachah, and all the Berites: and they were gathered together, and went also after him.

15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maachah, and [r] they cast up a bank against the city, and [s] it stood in the trench: and all the people that *were* with Joab [t] battered the wall, to throw it down.

16 ¶ Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.

17 And when he was come near unto her, the woman said, *Art* thou Joab? And he answered, I *am he*. Then she said unto him, Hear the words of thine handmaid. And he answered, I do hear.

18 Then she spake, saying, § They were wont to speak in old time, saying, They shall surely ask *counsel* at Abel: and so they ended *the matter*.

19 I *am one of them that are* peaceable *and* faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy a city and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou swallow up [u] the inheritance of the LORD?

20 And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy.

21 The matter *is* not so: but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri [x] by name, hath lifted up his hand against the king, *even* against David: deliver him only, and I will depart from the city. And the woman said unto Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee over the wall.

22 Then the woman went unto all the people [y] in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast *it* out to Joab. And he blew a trumpet, and they † retired from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king.

23 ¶ Now [z] Joab *was* over all the host of Israel: and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites:

24 And Adoram *was* [a] over the tribute: and [b] Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* † recorder:

25 And Sheva *was* scribe: and [c] Zadok and Abiathar *were* the priests:

26 And [d] Ira also the Jairite was ‡ a chief ruler about David.

CHAP. XXI.

THEN there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David § enquired of the LORD. And the LORD answered, *It is* for Saul, and for *his* bloody house, because he slew the Gibeonites.

2 And the king called the Gibeonites, and said unto them; (now the Gibeonites *were* not of the children of Israel, but [e] of the remnant of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn unto them: and Saul sought to slay them in his zeal to the children of Israel and Judah,)

3 Wherefore David said unto the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and wherewith shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless [f] the inheritance of the LORD?

4 And the Gibeonites said unto him, • We will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his house; neither for us shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall say, *that* will I do for you.

5 And they answered the king, The man that consumed us, and that † devised

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[a] 2 Ki. 15. 29. 2 Ch. 16. 4.
[b] 2 Ki. 19. 32.
[c] or, *it stood against the outmost wall.*
† *set us at light.*
‡ *marred to throwdown*
[d] Ju. 8. 1. 12. 1. Pr. 13. 10. Ro. 13. 21. Ga. 5. 15, 20, 26. Ja. 1. 20. 3. 2, &c. 4. 1.
[e] ch. 19. 43.
[f] 1 Ki. 12. 16. 2 Ch. 10. 16.
§ or, *They plainly spake in the beginning, saying, Surely they will ask of Abel, and so make an end.* De. 20. 11.
[g] ch. 21. 3. 1 Sa. 26. 19.
[h] ch. 15. 16.
‖ *an house of ward.*
• *bound.*
† *in widowhood of life.*
‡ *by his name*
[i] ch. 19. 13.
§ *Call.*
[k] Ex. 9. 14, 15. 1 Ki. 1. 33.
‖ *were scattered.*
• *deliver himself from our eyes.*
[l] ch. 8. 16, 18.
[m] ch. 8. 18. 1 Ki. 1. 38.
[n] 1 Ki. 4. 6.
[o] 1 Ki. 4. 3.
† or, *remembrancer.*
[p] ch. 8. 17. 1 Ki. 4. 4.
[q] ch. 23. 38.
‡ or, *a prince* ch. 8. 18. Ge. 41. 45. Ex. 2. 16.
[r] Lu. 22. 47.
§ *sought the face, &c.*
[t] 1 Ki. 2. 3.
[u] ch. 3. 23.
‖ *doubled not his stroke.*
• Jos. 9. 3, 15.
[x] ch. 20. 19.
• or, *It is not silver nor gold that we have to do with Saul or his house, neither pertaine it to us to kill.*
† or, *cut us off.*

against us *that* we should be destroyed from remaining in any of the coasts of Israel,

6 Let seven men of his sons be delivered unto us, and we will hang them up unto the LORD in Gibeah of Saul, † *whom* [c] the LORD did choose. And the king said, I will *give them.*

7 But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of [d] the LORD's oath that *was* between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.

8 ¶ But the king took the two sons of [e] Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of § Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she § brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite:

9 And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill [m] before the LORD: and they fell *all* seven together, and were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first *days*, in the beginning of barley harvest.

10 ¶ And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, [o] from the beginning of harvest until water dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered neither the birds of the air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.

11 And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done.

12 ¶ And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the men of [m] Jabesh-gilead, which had stolen them from the street of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa:

13 And he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.

14 And the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son buried they in the country of Benjamin in [r] Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father: and they performed all that the king commanded. And after that [s] God was intreated for the land.

15 ¶ Moreover the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David waxed faint.

16 And Ishbi-benob, which *was* of the sons of [e] the giant, the weight of † whose spear *weighed* three hundred *shekels* of brass in weight, he being girded with a new *sword*, thought to have slain David.

17 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and smote the Philistine, and killed him. Then the men of David sware unto him, saying, [d] Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle, that thou quench not the ‖ light [e] of Israel.

18 And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at Gob: then [f] Sibbechai the Hushathite slew [e] Saph, which *was* of the sons of † the giant.

19 And there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where Elhanan the son of ‡ Jaare-oregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew † *the brother of* Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear *was* like a weaver's beam.

20 And there was yet a battle in Gath,

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[e] or, *Rapha.*
† or, *reproached.*
1 Sa. 17. 10, 25, 26.
‡ or, *chosen of the LORD.*
[a] 1 Sa. 10. 24.
[b] 1 Sa. 16. 9, *Shammah.*
[c] 1 Ch. 20. 8.
[d] 1 Sa. 23. 18.
[e] ch. 3. 7.
[f] Ps. 18. title. 34. 19.
§ or, *Michal's sister.*
[g] De. 33. 4. Ps. 21. 3. 71. 3. 91. 2.
‖ *bare to Adriel.*
1 Sa. 18. 19.
[h] He. 2. 13.
[i] Ge. 15. 1.
[k] Lu. 1. 69.
[l] Pr. 18. 10.
[m] ch. 6. 17.
[n] Ps. 9. 9. Je. 16. 19.
[o] or, *pangs.*
[p] De. 21. 23.
† *Belial.*
‡ or, *cords.*
[p] Ps. 116. 3, 4.
[r] Ps. 120. 1. Jon. 2. 2.
[s] Ps. 97. 4.
[t] Job 26. 11.
[u] 1 Sa. 31. 11, 13.
§ *by.*
[v] Hab. 3. 5. He. 12. 29.
[w] Ps. 144. 5. Is. 64. 1.
[x] Ex. 20. 21. 1 Ki. 8. 12.
[y] Ps. 104. 3.
‖ *binding of waters.*
[z] Jos. 18. 28.
[a] Jos. 7. 25.
[b] De. 32. 23.
[c] or, *Rapha.*
† *the staff,* or, *the head*
[d] Ex. 15. 8. Na. 1. 4. Mat. 8. 26.
‡ or, *anger.* Ps. 74. 1.
§ or, *great.*
[e] ch. 18. 3.
‖ *candle,* or, *lamp.*
[e] 1 Ki. 11. 36. 15. 4. Ps. 132. 17.
[f] Ps. 31. 8. 118. 5.
[g] 1 Ch. 11. 29.
[h] 1 Sa. 26. 23. 1 Ki. 8. 32.
[i] or, *Sippai.*
† or, *Rapha.*
[k] Ps. 44. 4.
[l] Ge. 18. 19. Ps. 119. 3. 128. 1. Pr. 8. 32.
‡ or, *Jair.*
[m] 1 Ch. 20. 5, 6.
[n] De. 7. 12. Ps. 119. 30, 102.

where was a man of *great* stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to [e] the giant.

21 And when he † defied Israel, Jonathan the son of [g] Shimeah the brother of David slew him.

22 These [e] four were born to the giant in Gath, and fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

CHAP. XXII.

AND David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day *that* the LORD had [f] delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

2 And he said, [f] The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;

3 The God of my rock; [h] in him will I trust: *he is* my [i] shield, and the [k] horn of my salvation, my high [l] tower, and my [m] refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

4 I will call on the LORD, *who is* worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

5 When the [n] waves of death compassed me, the floods of † ungodly men made me afraid;

6 The ‡ sorrows [p] of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

7 In my distress [r] I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry *did enter* into his ears.

8 Then [s] the earth shook and trembled; [t] the foundations of heaven moved and shook, because he was wroth.

9 There went up a smoke § out of his nostrils, and [v] fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

10 He [w] bowed the heavens also, and came down; and [x] darkness *was* under his feet.

11 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen [y] upon the wings of the wind.

12 And he made darkness pavilions round about him, ‖ dark waters, *and* thick clouds of the skies.

13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.

14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.

15 And he sent out [z] arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.

16 And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discovered, at the [a] rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his ‡ nostrils.

17 He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of § many waters;

18 He delivered me from my strong enemy, *and* from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me.

19 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

20 He [f] brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

21 The [k] LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the [l] cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

22 For I have [k] kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.

23 For all his [m] judgments *were* before me: and *as for* his statutes, I did not depart from them.

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24 I was also [a] upright [b] before him, and have kept myself from mine iniquity.

25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness [†] in his eye sight.

26 With [c] the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, *and* with the upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright.

27 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt [§] shew thyself unsavoury.

28 And [d] the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes *are* upon [‡] the haughty, *that* thou mayest bring *them* down.

29 For thou *art* my [‖] lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkness.

30 For by thee I have [e] run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.

31 *As for* God, his way *is* perfect; the word of the LORD is [†] tried; he *is* a buckler to all them that trust in him.

32 For [h] who *is* God, save the LORD? and who *is* a rock, save our God?

33 God *is* my [i] strength *and* power: and he [‖] maketh my [m] way perfect.

34 He [§] maketh my feet like hinds' *feet*: and [n] setteth me upon my high places.

35 He teacheth my hands [o] to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

36 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath [‖] made me great.

37 Thou hast [p] enlarged my steps under me; so that my [§] feet did not slip.

38 I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them.

39 And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they are fallen [r] under my feet.

40 For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou [s] subdued under me.

41 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.

42 They looked, but *there was* none to save; *even* [u] unto the LORD, but he answered them not.

43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them [v] as the mire of the street, *and* did spread them abroad.

44 Thou [w] also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me *to be* [x] head of the heathen: [z] a people *which* I knew not shall serve me.

45 § Strangers shall [‖] submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear, they shall be obedient unto me.

46 Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their close places.

47 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

48 It *is* God that [a] avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me,

49 And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the [c] violent man.

50 Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among [f] the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name.

51 *He is* [‖] the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to his [i] anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore.

B. C. 1018.

[a] Job 1. 1.
[b] *to him.*
[b] Ps. 78. 70, 71.
[†] *before his eyes.*
[c] Mat. 5. 7.
[d] 2 Pe. 1. 21.
[e] De. 33. 4, 21.
[‡] or, *Be thou ruler, &c.*
Ps. 110. 2.
[§] or, *wrestle.*
Ps. 18. 26.
[f] Pr. 4. 18.
Ho. 6. 5.
[g] Ps. 72. 12, 13.
[h] De. 4. 37.
[‖] or, *candle.*
Job 29. 3.
[i] or, *broken a troop.*
[k] Is. 55. 3.
[†] or, *refined.*
Is. 65. 5, 6.
[l] Ps. 27. 1.
Is. 12. 2.
[‡] *riddeth*, or, *looseth.*
[m] He. 13. 21.
[§] *equalleth.*
[‖] *filled.*
[n] De. 32. 13.
[o] *for the war*
[†] or, *Joshebbassebet the Tachmonite, head of the three multiplied me.*
[p] Pr. 4. 12.
[§] *ankles.*
[‖] *slain.*
[p] 1 Ch. 11. 12. 27. 4.
[r] Mal. 4. 3.
[s] *caused to bow.*
[s] 1 Ch. 11. 27.
[t] 1 Ch. 11. 13, 14.
[u] Pr. 1. 28.
Is. 1. 15.
[†] or, *for foraging.*
[v] Is. 10. 6.
Zec. 10. 5.
ch. 3. 1. 19. 9, 14.
[w] Ps. 2. 8.
[x] Is. 55. 5.
[‡] or, *the three captains over the thirty.*
[a] 1 Ch. 11. 15.
[§] *Sons of the stranger.*
[‖] *lie*, or, *yield feigned obedience.*
De. 33. 29.
Ps. 81. 15.
[b] 1 Sa. 22. 1.
[c] ch. 5. 18.
[d] 1 Sa. 23. 4, 5.
[e] *giveth avengements for me.*
1 Sa. 25. 39.
[f] Ps. 140. 1.
[g] Ro. 15. 9.
[h] Ps. 144. 10.
[i] Le. 17. 10.
[i] Ps. 68. 20.

CHAP. XXIII.

NOW these *be* the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, [a] and the man *who was* raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,

2 The [d] Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word *was* in my tongue.

3 The God of Israel said, [e] the Rock of Israel spake to me, [‡] He that ruleth over men *must be* just, ruling in the fear of God.

4 And [f] *he shall be* as the light of the morning, *when* the sun riseth, *even* a morning without clouds; *as* the tender grass *springing* out of the earth by clear shining after rain.

5 Although my house *be* not so with God; [i] yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all *things*, and sure: for *this is* all my salvation, and all *my* desire, although he make *it* not to grow.

6 ¶ But *the sons* of Belial *shall be* all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands:

7 But the man *that* shall touch them must be [‖] fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the *same* place.

8 ¶ These *be* the names of the mighty men whom David had: [†] The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same *was* Adino the Eznite: *he lift up his spear* against eight hundred, [‖] whom he slew at one time.

9 And after him *was* [l] Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, *one* of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines *that* were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away:

10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.

11 And after him *was* [‡] Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. [‡] And the Philistines were gathered together [†] into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles: and the people fled from the Philistines.

12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

13 And [‡] three [a] of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto [b] the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in [c] the valley of Rephaim.

14 And David *was* then in [d] an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines *was* then in Beth-lehem.

15 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, which *is* by the gate!

16 And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.

17 And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: *is not this* [h] the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.

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18 And [a] Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief among three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred, [*] *and* slew *them*, and had the name among three.

19 Was he not most honourable of three? therefore he was their captain: howbeit he attained not unto the *first* three.

20 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man, of [d] Kabzeel, [‡] who had done many acts, [e] he slew two [‖] lion-like men of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow:

21 And he slew an Egyptian, [*] a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

22 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three mighty men.

23 He was [†] more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to the *first* three. And David set him [‡] over his [h] guard.

24 Asahel [i] the brother of Joab *was* one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of [m] Beth-lehem,

25 Shammah the Harodite, Elika the Harodite,

26 Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,

27 Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,

28 Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,

29 Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin,

30 Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the [§] brooks of [o] Gaash,

31 Abi-albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,

32 Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,

33 Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite,

34 Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,

35 Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,

36 Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite,

37 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, armourbearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah,

38 Ira [k] an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite,

39 Uriah [d] the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND again [*f*] the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and [*] he moved David against them to say, [h] Go, number Israel and Judah.

2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which *was* with him, [†] Go now through all the tribes of Israel, [*i*] from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the people, that [h] I may know the number of the people.

3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see *it*: but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing?

4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel.

5 ¶ And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in [k] Aroer, on the right side of the city that *lieth* in the midst of the [†] river of Gad, and toward [*l*] Jazer:

6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the [§] land of Tahtim-hodshi; and they came to [*f*] Dan-jaan, and about to [*g*] Zidon,

7 And came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, *even* to Beer-sheba.

8 So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days.

9 And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the king: [h] and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah *were* five hundred thousand men.

10 ¶ And [*i*] David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, [m] I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have [*] done very foolishly.

11 For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet [*l*] Gad, David's [*r*] seer, saying,

12 Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three *things*; choose thee one of them, that I may *do it* unto thee.

13 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, [*] Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me.

14 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; [n] for his mercies *are* [§] great: and [*] let me not fall into the hand of man.

15 ¶ So [*l*] the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.

16 And [*] when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, [a] the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, [‖] It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of [*c*] Araunah the Jebusite.

17 And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, [*f*] I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.

18 ¶ And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of [‡] Araunah the Jebusite.

19 And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the LORD commanded.

20 And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground.

B. C. 1018.

[a] 1 Ch. 11. 20.
[*] *slain.*
[b] De. 2. 36. Jos. 13. 9. 16.
[†] or, *valley.*
[d] Jos. 15. 21.
[‡] *great of acts.*
[§] or, *nether land newly inhabited.*
[e] Ex. 15. 15. 1 Ch. 11. 22.
[‖] *lions of God*
[f] Jos. 19. 47. Ju. 18. 29.
[g] Jos. 19. 28. Ju. 18. 28.
[*] *a man of countenance*, or, *meet*: called, 1 Ch. 11. 23. *a man of great stature.*
[h] 1 Ch. 21. 5.
[†] or, *honourable among the thirty.*
[*] 1 Sa. 24. 5.
[‡] *at his command*, or, *over his council.* 1 Sa. 22. 14.
[h] ch. 8. 18. 20. 23.
[i] ch. 2. 18.
[m] ch. 12. 13.
[n] Ge. 35. 19.
[o] 1 Sa. 13. 13.
[p] 1 Sa. 22. 5.
[r] 1 Sa. 9. 9. 1 Ch. 29. 29. 2 Ch. 21. 12.
[§] or, *valleys.* De. 1. 24.
[t] Ju. 2. 9.
[u] Ps. 103. 8. 13. 14. 119. 156.
[‖] or, *many.*
[x] Is. 47. 6. Zec. 1. 15.
[y] 1 Ch. 21. 14. 15. 27. 24.
[z] Ex. 12. 23.
[a] Ge. 6. 6. 1 Sa. 15. 11. Ps. 78. 38. Joel 2. 13. 14
[b] ch. 20. 26.
[c] Is. 37. 8. 40. 1. 2. 57. 16. 2 Co. 2. 6.
[d] ch. 11. 3, 6.
[e] ver. 18. 1 Ch. 21. 15. *Ornan.* 2 Ch. 3. 1.
[f] ch. 21. 1.
[g] *Satan.* 1 Ch. 21. 1. Ja. 1. 13, 14.
[§] 1 Ch. 21. 17, &c.
[h] 1 Ch. 27. 23, 24.
[†] or, *Compass.*
[i] Ju. 20. 1.
[k] Je. 17 5.
[‡] *Araniah.*

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21 And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? [a] And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that [b] the plague may be stayed from the people.

22 And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what [c] *seemeth* good unto him: [d] behold, *here be* oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and *other* instruments of the oxen for wood.

23 All these *things* did Araunah, [e] *as a* king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God [f] accept thee.

24 And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy *it* of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.

25 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. [f] So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

B. C. 1017.

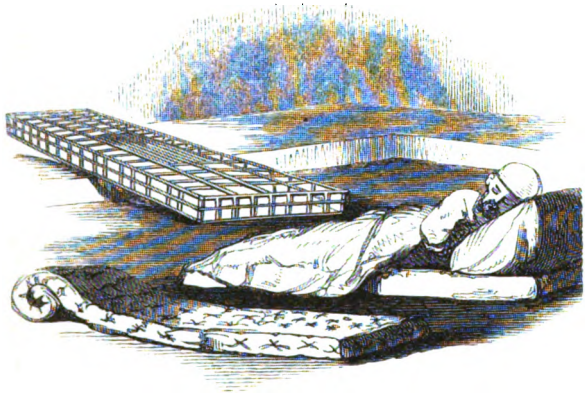
[a] Ge. 23. 8. . 16
[b] Exe. 30. 40, 41. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[c] Nu. 16. 45, 50 Ps. 106. 30.
[d] Mal. 1. 12, 14
[e] 1 Ki. 19. 21.
[f] ch. 21. 14. 1 Ch. 21. 26. Ps. 103. 9, 10. La. 3. 32, 33. Ho. 12. 10.
[g] 1s. 32. 8.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. IV.—EASTERN BEDS. The beds in the East are altogether so different from ours, that scripture readers, who have not been informed about eastern customs, are liable to be misled and perplexed respecting them. Ps. cxlix. 5 sounds odd to an English ear, "Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds:" and equally singular is the command, Mat. ix. 6, "Arise, take up thy bed and walk." The present usages throughout the East appear to be the same as those of the ancient Jews, and sufficiently explain the passages of scripture which bear on the subject. In the warm eastern climates feather beds would be no luxury, as they are with us, for the luxury of the people consists in keeping themselves cool, and they are accustomed to lie exceedingly hard. The beds of the wandering poor are quite simple; they sleep on mats, or wrapped in their outer garment, which, from its importance in this respect, was forbidden to be retained in pledge overnight from the owner: see Gen. ix. 23; Exod. xxii. 27; Deut. xxiii. 13. The beds of dwellers in houses are rolled up when not in use, and deposited in closets. The more wealthy classes use wool or cotton mattresses, and sometimes only a thickly-padded quilt, several of which are occasionally placed one upon another. In Prov. vii. 16 the harlot vaunts of her bed as highly ornamented with tapestry work—with brocade: 'I have brocaded—(bedecked)—my *ovvah*; the covering to my divan is fine linen of Egypt embossed with embroidery.' This description may be much illustrated by the account which Baron du Tott gives of a bed, in which he was expected to sleep, and in which he might have slept, had not European habit incapacitated him for that enjoyment. 'The time for taking our repose was now to come, and we were conducted into another large room, in the middle of which was a kind of bed, without bedstead or curtains. Though the coverlet and pillows exceeded in magnificence the richness of the sofa which likewise ornamented the apartment, I foresaw I could expect but little rest on this bed, and had the curiosity to examine its make in a more particular manner. Fifteen mattresses of quilted cotton, about three inches thick, placed one upon another, formed the ground-work, and were covered by a sheet of Indian linen sewed on the last mattress. A coverlet of green satin, adorned with gold embroidered in embossed work, was in like manner fastened to the two sheets, the ends of which, turned in, were sewed only. Two large pillows of crimson satin, covered with the like embroidery, in which there was no want of gold or spangles, rested on two cushions of the sofa, brought near to serve for a back, and intended to support our heads. The taking off the pillows entirely away would have been a good resource, if we had had any bolster; and the expedient of turning the other side upwards having only served to shew they were embroidered in the same manner on the bottom, we at last determined to lay our handkerchiefs over them, which, however, did not prevent our being very sensible of the embossed ornaments underneath.' Among the poor, a stone covered with some folded cloth or piece of dress is often used for a pillow. Such constituted Jacob's pillow, Gen. xxviii. 11. 'The bolsters,' says Kitto, 'are more valuable than the mattresses, both for the coverings and material: they are usually stuffed with cotton or other soft substance (Exe. xix., xvii. 21), but, instead of these, skins of goats or sheep appear to have been formerly used by the poorer classes, and in the hardier ages. It is not unlikely that the Israelites knew the use of those wooden crescent-shaped bolsters of wood, which were common in ancient Egypt; and the comfort in the use of which is not very apparent till one tries the experiment, and realises the complete repose which is obtained by resting the nape of the neck and base of the skull upon some similar contrivance.' The divan is common in the East. From the same source we learn that the divan or dais is a slightly elevated platform at the upper end and often along the sides of the room; on this are laid the mattresses on which the western Asiatics sit cross-legged in the daytime, with large cushions against the wall to support the back. At night the light bedding is usually laid out upon this divan, and beds for many persons are easily formed. There were evidently couch-beds used by the ancients, as appears in various sculptures. To such there is thought to be allusion in Amos vi. 4. These were capable of receiving the ivory ornaments there mentioned. In Judith xvi. mention is also made of a bed with a tester. When retiring to rest, neither men nor women take off more than a small part of their dress; and the lower classes seldom make any change whatever before throwing themselves down among the coarse woollen cloaks which form their nightly covering. The Scottish deputation were struck with the elevated part of an apartment in the house of the British consulate, where they slept on mats according to the oriental custom, and where they had to ascend about a foot higher than the rest of the floor of the room. 'We saw,' say they, 'the meaning of "*going* up to the bed." Ps. cxxxii. 3.

CH. XVIII.—ABSALOM'S PILLAR. This is a prominent object in the valley of Jehoshaphat, through which runs the brook Kidron. It is erected close by the lower bridge over the brook. Josephus speaks of Absalom's tomb as a marble column. Certainly that now exhibited is not so. It is a square isolated block, hewn out from the rocky ledge, leaving an area or incise around it, and standing entirely detached from the rock whence it was hewn. The body of this tomb is about twenty-four feet square, and is ornamented on each side with two columns and two half-columns of the Ionic order, with pilasters at the corners, like the former tomb. The architrave exhibits triglyphs and Doric ornaments. The elevation is about eighteen or twenty feet to the top of the architrave, and thus the whole is wholly cut from the rock. Over this base rises a square piece of masonry of smaller dimensions; and the whole is crowned by a small conical dome, finishing in a point. Immediately behind, in the scarped face of the rock, is the architrave of a sepulchre in an excavation now completely blocked up with stones. As Absalom was not interred in this valley, it has been conjectured that this monument may occupy the site of that which the sacred historian relates as having been set up by Absalom himself: "Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up a pillar, which is in the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place." 2 Sam. xviii. 18. Such is the antipathy of the Jews to this monument, that it is their practice when passing it to throw stones against it, as a mark of their reprobation of Absalom's unnatural rebellion against his father. Monuments may serve to display the genius of man, and for a few centuries to keep alive the memories of those to whose honour they have been erected, but at best they are but lying vanities. They often bear inscriptions the very reverse of the characters they are designed to celebrate, and they cannot prevent their bodies from mouldering into dust, nor occasion their revival to the enjoyment of former greatness. But the most humble Christian has a more durable monument than one of brass; and while his name is "written in heaven," he himself shall "be a pillar in the temple of God, never more to go out."

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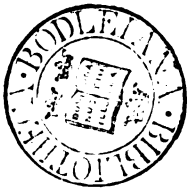


EASTERN BEDS — *Calmet and Specimens.*—2 Sam. iv. 5.



ABSALOM'S PILLAR.—*La Borde.*—2 Sam. xviii. 18.

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The First Book of the KINGS, commonly called, The Third Book of the KINGS.

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CHAP. I.

B. C. 1015.

NOW king David was old *and* * stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he gat no heat.

2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let † there be sought for my lord the king ‡ a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her § cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.

3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of Israel, and found Abishag a ‖ Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

4 And the damsel *was* very fair, and cherished the king, and ministered to him: but the king knew her not.

5 ¶ Then [a] Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will * be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.

6 And his father had not displeased him † at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? and he also *was a* very goodly *man*; [b] and *his mother* bare him after Absalom.

7 And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with [c] Abiathar the priest: and [d] they § following Adonijah helped *him*.

8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and [e] Shimei, and Rei, and [f] the mighty men which *belonged* to David, were not with Adonijah.

9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zoheleth, which *is* by * En-rogel, and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants:

10 But [m] Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not.

11 ¶ Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of [n] Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth *it* not?

12 Now therefore come, * let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine own life, and [o] the life of thy son Solomon.

13 Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, Didst not thou, my lord, O king, swear unto thine handmaid, saying, [p] Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? why then doth Adonijah reign?

14 Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and † confirm thy words.

15 ¶ And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the king.

16 And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And * the king said, ‖ What wouldest thou?

17 And she said unto him, [a] My lord, [b] thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine handmaid, *saying*, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne.

18 And now, behold, Adonijah reigneth; and now, my lord the king, thou knowest *it* not:

19 And * he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy servant hath he not called.

20 And thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel *are* upon thee, that thou shouldest tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.

21 Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall [c] sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted ‡ offenders.

22 ¶ And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.

23 And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet. And when he was come in before the king, * he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

24 And Nathan said, My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?

25 For † he is gone down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest; and, behold, they eat and drink before him, and say, ‖ God save king Adonijah.

26 But me, *even* me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.

27 Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed *it* unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?

28 ¶ Then king David answered and said, Call me Bath-sheba. And she came † into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

29 And the king sware, and said, *As* the LORD liveth, [p] that hath redeemed my soul out of all distress,

30 Even * as I sware unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day.

31 Then Bath-sheba bowed with *her* face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and said, ‖ Let my lord king David live for ever.

32 ¶ And king David said, Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.

33 The king also said unto them, * Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon § mine own mule, and bring him down to [r] Gihon:

34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet * anoint him there king over Israel: and * blow ye with the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.

35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have

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* *entered into days.*
† *them seek.*
‡ *a damsel, a virgin.*
§ *be a cherisher unto.*
‖ Jos. 19. 18.
[a] ch. 2. 10. De. 31. 16. *sinners.*
[b] 2 Sa. 3. 4. * *reign.*
[c] Ro. 13. 7. 1 Pe. 2. 17. † *from his days.*
[d] 2 Sa. 3. 3, 4. 1 Ch. 3. 2. ‡ *his words were with Joab.*
[e] 2 Sa. 20. 25.
[f] ver. 19.
[g] ch. 2. 22, 28. § *helped after Adonijah.*
[h] ch. 4. 18.
[i] 2 Sa. 23. 8. ‖ *Let king Adonijah live.*
[k] or, *the well Rogel.* 2 Sa. 17. 17.
[m] 2 Sa. 12. 1, &c † *before the king.*
[n] 2 Sa. 3. 4.
[o] Pr. 11. 14. 27. 9.
[p] 2 Sa. 4. 9. Ps. 34. 19. 22. 72. 14. 136. 24. 138. 7.
[r] Ju. 9. 5. 2 Ki. 11. 1. 2 Ch. 22. 1. 4.
[s] ver. 17.
[t] 1 Ch. 22. 9.
[u] Ne. 2. 3. Da. 2. 4. ‡ *Ah up.*
[v] 2 Sa. 20. 6. § *the mule which belongeth to me.* Es. 6. 8.
[x] Es. 7. 2. Mat. 20. 21, 32.
[y] 2 Ch. 32. 30. ‖ *What to thee?*
[z] Ge. 18. 12. 1 Pe. 3. 6.
[a] ch. 19. 16. 1 Sa. 19. 1. 16. 3, 12. 2 Sa. 2. 4. 5. 3. 2 Ki. 9. 3. 11. 12.
[b] ver. 30.
[c] 2 Sa. 15. 10. 2 Ki. 9. 13. 11. 14.

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appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.

36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: the LORD God of my lord the king say so *too*.

37 As [d] the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with Solomon, and [e] make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David.

38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and[f] Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.

39 And Zadok the priest took an horn of [h] oil out of the tabernacle, and [i] anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; [k] and all the people said, God save king Solomon.

40 And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with [l] pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.

41 ¶ And Adonijah and all the guests that *were* with him heard *it* [t] as they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, Wherefore *is this* noise of the city being in an uproar?

42 And while he yet spake, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said unto him, Come in; for [u] thou *art* a valiant man, and bringest good tidings.

43 And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king David hath made Solomon king.

44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:

45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon: and they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This *is* the noise that ye have heard.

46 And also Solomon [o] sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.

47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David, saying, [h] God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his throne greater than thy throne. [i] And the king bowed himself upon the bed.

48 And also thus said the king, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which hath [w] given *one* to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing *it*.

49 And [x] all the guests that *were* with Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every man his way.

50 ¶ And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and[y] caught hold on the horns of the altar.

51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon: for, lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me to day that he will not slay his servant with the sword.

52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, [z] there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die.

53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, [a] Go to thine house.

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[a] Ge. 47. 29. De. 31. 14.
[b] Jos. 23. 14.
[c] De. 17. 19, 20.
[d] Jos. 1. 5, 17. 1 Sa. 20. 13.
[e] ver. 47.
[f] 2 Sa. 8. 18. 23. 20, 23.
[g] or, *formerly*. 1 Sa. 16. 5, 14, 40.
[h] De. 29. 9. Jos. 1. 7.
[i] 2 Sa. 7. 25.
[k] Ps. 132. 12.
[l] Ex. 30. 23, 25, 32. Ps. 89. 20.
[t] 1 Ch. 23. 22. [m] 2 Ki. 20. 3.
[u] 1 Sa. 16. 24.
[o] ch. 8. 25. 2 Sa. 7. 12, 13.
† *he cut off from thee from the throne.*
‡ or, *flutes*.
[p] 2 Sa. 3. 39. 18. 5, 12, 14. 19. 5...7.
[r] 2 Sa. 3. 27.
[s] Job 20. 4, 5. Pr. 14. 13. Ec. 7. 4...6. Lu. 17. 26...29.
[t] 2 Sa. 20. 10.
§ *put.*
[u] Pr. 20. 26.
[v] 2 Sa. 18. 27.
[w] 2 Sa. 12. 31, 38.
[y] 2 Sa. 9. 7, 10. 19. 28.
[z] 2 Sa. 17. 27.
[a] 2 Sa. 16. 5.
‖ *strong*.
[b] 2 Sa. 19. 18.
[c] 2 Sa. 19. 23.
[d] Ex. 20. 7. Joh 9. 28.
[e] 1 Ch. 23. 23.
[f] Ge. 42. 38. 44. 31.
[g] ch. 1. 21. Ac. 2. 29. 13. 36.
[h] ver. 37.
[i] 2 Sa. 5. 7.
[k] 1 Ch. 29. 26, 27.
[l] Ge. 47. 31.
[m] 2 Ch. 1. 1.
[n] ch. 3. 6.
[o] Pr. 28. 1. Is. 21. 5. Da. 5. 4...6.
[p] 1 Sa. 16. 4, 5.
[r] ch. 2. 28.
[s] ch. 1. 5.
[t] 1 Ch. 22. 9, 10. 28. 5, 7. Pr. 21. 30. Da. 2. 21.
[u] *turn not away my face.* Ps. 132. 10
[w] 1 Sa. 14. 45. 2 Sa. 14. 11. Ac. 27. 34.
[x] ch. 1. 3, 4.
[y] 2 Sa. 14. 24, 28. Pr. 24. 21.

CHAP. II.

NOW [a] the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son, saying,

2 I [b] go the way of all the earth: [c] be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;

3 And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest [o] prosper [f] in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:

4 That the LORD may [h] continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, [i] If thy children take heed to their way, to [m] walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, [o] there shall not [t] fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel.

5 Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah [p] did to me, *and* what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto [r] Abner the son of Ner, and unto [s] Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and § shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that *was* about his loins, and in his shoes that *were* on his feet.

6 Do therefore [u] according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to the grave in peace.

7 But shew kindness unto the sons of [v] Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that [p] eat at thy table: for so [r] they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.

8 And, behold, *thou hast* with thee [w] Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a ‖ grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but [b] he came down to meet me at Jordan, and [c] I sware to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death with the sword.

9 Now therefore [d] hold him not guiltless: for thou *art* a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head [f] bring thou down to the grave with blood.

10 So [g] David slept with his fathers, and was buried in [i] the city of David.

11 And the days that David [k] reigned over Israel *were* forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.

12 ¶ Then [w] sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly.

13 ¶ And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And she said, [p] Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.

14 He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And she said, Say on.

15 And he said, Thou knowest that the kingdom was [r] mine, and *that* all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom is turned about, and is become my brother's: for [t] it was his from the LORD.

16 And now I ask one petition of thee, [u] deny me not. And she said unto him, Say on.

17 And he said, Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he will not say thee nay,) that he give me [w] Abishag the Shunammite to wife.

18 And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.

19 ¶ Bath-sheba therefore went unto king

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Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and [a] bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the king's mother; [b] and she sat on his right hand.

20 Then she said, [c] I desire one small petition of thee; *I pray thee*, say me not nay. And the king said unto her, *f* Ask on, my mother: for I will not say thee nay.

21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah thy brother to wife.

22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, [g] And why dost thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he *is* mine elder brother; even for him, and for [h] Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.

23 Then king Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, [i] God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah [m] have not spoken this word against his own life.

24 Now therefore, *as* the LORD liveth, which hath established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and who hath made me an house, as he [o] promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.

25 And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon him that he died.

26 ¶ And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get thee to [p] Anathoth, unto thine own fields; for thou *art* [q] worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, [r] because thou barest the ark of the Lord GOD before David my father, and because [s] thou hast been afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted.

27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might [t] fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.

28 ¶ Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab [u] had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD, and [v] caught hold on the horns of the altar.

29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD; and, behold, *he is* by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him.

30 And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him, Thus saith the king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.

31 And the king said unto him, [w] Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; [x] that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.

32 And the LORD [z] shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more righteous [a] and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing *thereof, to wit*, [b] Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and [c] Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.

33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and [d] upon the head of his seed for ever: [e] but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever from the LORD.

34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went

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[a] Ex. 20. 12.
[b] Ps. 45. 9.
[c] Nu. 25. 11.. 13. 1 Sa. 2 35. 1 Ch. 6. 53. 24. 3.
[d] Mat. 20. 20, 21.
[e] ver. 27.
[f] Mat. 7. 7..11 18. 19. Mar. 11. 24. Jno. 14. 13. 14. 15. 16.
[g] 2 Sa. 16. 5.
[h] 2 Sa. 15. 23.
[i] Ja. 4. 3.
[j] Le. 20. 9. Jos. 2. 19. 2 Sa. 1. 16.
[k] ch. 1. 7.
[l] Ru. 1. 17.
[m] Ps. 64. 8. 140. 9. Pr. 18. 6, 7. Ec. 10. 12.
[n] 1 Sa. 27. 2.
[o] 2Sa. 7. 11. 13 1 Ch. 22. 10.
[p] Jos. 21. 18.
[q] Ps. 15. 4. [q] *a man of death.*
[r] 1 Sa. 23. 6. 2 Sa. 15. 24, 29.
[s] 1 Sa. 22. 20, 23.
[t] Ec. 8. 2. Ro. 13. 5.
[u] 1 Sa. 2. 31.. 36. 3. 12..14. Mat. 26. 56.
[v] 2 Sa. 16. 5. Jno. 8. 9. Ro. 2. 15. 1 Jno. 3. 20.
[w] ch. 1. 7. De. 32. 35.
[x] Pr. 5. 22. Eze. 17. 19. Ho. 4. 9.
[z] ch. 1. 50.
[a] Pr. 25. 5.
[b] 2 Ch. 1. 1.
[c] ch. 7. 8. 9. 24.
[d] Ex. 21. 14.
[e] 2 Sa. 5. 7.
[f] Nu. 35. 33. De. 19. 13. 21. 8, 9. 2 Ki. 9. 26. Pr. 28. 17.
[g] ch. 7. 1.
[h] ch. 11.
[i] Ju. 9. 24, 57. Ps. 7. 16.
[k] ch. 22. 43. Le. 17. 3..5. De. 12. 2, 4, 5.
[l] 2 Ch. 21. 13.
[m] De. 6. 5. 30. 16, 20. Ps. 31. 23. Ro. 8. 28. 1 Co. 8. 3.
[n] 2 Sa. 3. 27.
[o] 2 Sa. 20. 10.
[p] 1 Ch. 16. 33.
[q] 2 Sa. 3. 29.
[r] Pr. 25. 5.
[s] 2Ch. 1. 7, &c
[t] Nu. 12. 6. Mat. 1. 20. 2. 13, 19.

up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

35 ¶ And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host: and [g] Zadok the priest did the king put in the room of [g] Abiathar.

36 ¶ And the king sent and called for [g] Shimei, and said unto him, Build thee an house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence any whither.

37 For it shall be, *that* on the day thou goest out, and passest over [h] the brook Kidron, thou shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: [j] thy blood shall be upon thine own head.

38 And Shimei said unto the king, The saying *is* good: as my lord the king hath said, so will thy servant do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.

39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran away unto [m] Achish son of Maachah king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, thy servants *be* in Gath.

40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish to seek his servants: and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Gath.

41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come again.

42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, [r] Did I not make thee to swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying, Know for a certain, on the day thou goest out, and walkest abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto me, The word *that* I have heard *is* good.

43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and [n] the commandment that I have charged thee with?

44 The king said moreover to Shimei, [z] Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine heart is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD shall [z] return thy wickedness upon thine own head;

45 And king Solomon *shall be* blessed, and [b] the throne of David shall be established before the LORD for ever.

46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went out, and fell upon him, that he died. And the [c] kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.

CHAP. III.

AND [d] Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the [f] city of David, until he had made an end of building his [h] own house, and [i] the house of the LORD, and the wall of Jerusalem round about.

2 Only [i] the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built unto the name of the LORD, until those days.

3 And Solomon [n] loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.

4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; [r] for that *was* the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.

5 ¶ In [n] Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon [n] in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed

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unto thy servant David my father great [a] mercy, according as he [b] walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* this day.

7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: [c] and I *am but* a little child: I know not *how* [d] to go out or come in.

8 And thy servant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou [e] hast chosen, a great people, [f] that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.

9 Give [g] therefore thy servant an [h] understanding heart [i] to judge thy people, that I may [k] discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.

11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast [l] not asked for thyself [m] long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding [n] to discern judgment;

12 Behold, [o] I have done according to thy words: [p] lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

13 And I have also [q] given thee that which thou hast not asked, both [r] riches, and honour: so that there [s] shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.

14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, [t] as thy father David did walk, then I will [u] lengthen thy days.

15 And Solomon [v] awoke; and, behold, *it was* a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and [w] made a feast to all his servants.

16 ¶ Then came there two women, *that were* harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.

17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.

18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and *we were* together; *there was* no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house.

19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it.

20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom.

21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear.

22 And the other woman said, Nay; but the living *is* my son, and the dead *is* thy son. And this said, No; but the dead *is* thy son, and the living *is* my son. Thus they spake before the king.

23 Then said the king, The one saith, This *is* my son that liveth, and thy son *is* the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son *is* the dead, and my son *is* the living.

24 And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.

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[a] or, *bounty.*
[b] ch. 2. 4. 9. 4. 2 Ki. 20. 3. Ps. 15. 2.
[c] Ge. 43. 10. Is. 49. 15. Je. 31. 20. Ho. 11. 8.
[d] *were hot.*
[e] 1 Ch. 29. 1.
[f] Nu. 27. 17.
[g] De. 7. 6.
[h] Ge. 13. 16. 15. 5.
[i] Pr. 2. 3..9. Ja. 1. 5.
[k] *hearing.*
[l] *in the midst of him.*
[m] Ps. 72. 1, 2.
[n] He. 5. 14.
[o] or, *the chief officer.*
[p] or, *secretaries.*
[q] 2 Sa. 8. 16. 20. 24.
[r] Ja. 4. 3.
[s] or, *remembrancer.*
[t] *many days*
[u] ch. 2. 35.
[v] ch. 2. 27.
[w] *to hear.*
[x] 1 Jno. 5. 14, 15.
[y] ch. 10. 24. Ec. 1. 16.
[z] 2 Sa. 8. 18. 20. 26.
[a] 2 Sa. 15. 37. 16. 16. 1 Ch. 27. 33.
[b] ch. 5. 14.
[c] Mat. 6. 33. Ep. 3. 20.
[d] or, *levy.*
[e] ch. 10. 23, 25, &c. Pr. 3. 16.
[f] or, *hath not been.*
[g] or, *Ben-hur*
[h] ch. 15. 5.
[i] Ps. 91. 16. Pr. 3. 2.
[k] or, *Bendekar.*
[l] Ge. 41. 7.
[m] or, *Benhesed.*
[n] ch. 8 65. Ge. 40. 20. Es. 1. 3. Da. 5. 1. Mar. 6. 21.
[o] or, *Benabinadab.*
[p] or, *Benjaber.*
[q] Nu. 32. 41.
[r] De. 3. 4.
[s] Jno. 3. 20.
[t] or, *to Mahanaim.*
[u] De. 3. 8.
[v] ch. 3. 8. Ge. 22. 17. Pr. 14. 28.
[w] Ps. 72. 3, 7. Mi. 4. 4.
[x] 2 Ch. 9. 26. Ps. 72. 8.

25 And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.

26 Then spake the woman whose the living child *was* unto the king, for [a] her bowels [b] yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, *but* divide *it*.

27 Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she *is* the mother thereof.

28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God *was* [c] in him, to do judgment.

CHAP. IV.

SO king Solomon was king over all Israel.

2 And these *were* the princes which he had: Azariah the son of Zadok [d] the priest,

3 Elihoreph and Ahiah, the sons of Shisha, [e] scribes; [f] Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the [g] recorder.

4 And [h] Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the host: and Zadok and [i] Abiathar *were* the priests:

5 And Azariah the son of Nathan *was* over the officers: and Zabud the son of Nathan *was* [k] principal officer, *and* [l] the king's friend:

6 And Ahishar *was* over the houshold: and [m] Adoniram the son of Abda *was* over the [n] tribute.

7 ¶ And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel, which provided victuals for the king and his houshold: each man his month in a year made provision.

8 And these *are* their names: [o] The son of Hur, in mount Ephraim:

9 [p] The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and Elon-beth-hanan:

10 [q] The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him *pertained* Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:

11 [r] The son of Abinadab, in all the region of Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

12 Baana the son of Ahilud; *to him pertained* Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean, which *is* by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to Abel-meholah, *even* unto *the place that is* beyond Jokneam:

13 [s] The son of Geber, in Ramoth-gilead; to him *pertained* [t] the towns of Jair the son of Manasseh, which *are* in Gilead; to him *also pertained* [u] the region of Argob, which *is* in Bashan, threescore great cities with walls and brasen bars:

14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo *had* [v] Mahanaim:

15 Ahimaaz *was* in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

16 Baanah the son of Hushai *was* in Asher and in Aloth:

17 Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar:

18 Shimei the son of Elah, in Benjamin:

19 Geber the son of Uri *was* in the country of Gilead, *in* [w] the country of Sihon king of the Amorites, and of Og king of Bashan; and *he was* the only officer which *was* in the land.

20 ¶ Judah and Israel *were* many, [x] as the sand which *is* by the sea in multitude, [y] eating and drinking, and making merry.

21 And [z] Solomon reigned over all king-

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doms from [a] the river unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: [b] they brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.

22 ¶ And Solomon's [†] provision for one day was thirty [‡] measures of fine flour, and threescore measures of meal,

23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts, and roebucks, and fallow-deer, and fatted fowl.

24 For he had dominion over all *the region* on this side the river, from Tiphsah even to Azzah, over [d] all the kings on this side the river: and [e] he had peace on all sides round about him.

25 And Judah and Israel [f] dwelt [‖] safely, [h] every man under his vine and under his fig tree, [i] from Dan even to Beer-sheba, all the days of Solomon.

26 ¶ And [k] Solomon had forty thousand stalls of [l] horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen.

27 And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king Solomon's table, every man in his month: they lacked nothing.

28 Barley also and straw for the horses and [§] dromedaries brought they unto the place where *the officers* were, every man according to his charge.

29 ¶ And [m] God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that *is* on the sea shore.

30 And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children [p] of the east country, and all [r] the wisdom of Egypt.

31 For he was [s] wiser than all men; [t] than Ethan the Ezrahite, [u] and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about.

32 And [y] he spake three thousand proverbs: and his [z] songs were a thousand and five.

33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that *is* in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

34 And [b] there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom.

CHAP. V.

AND [c] Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Solomon; for he had heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father: [e] for Hiram was ever a lover of David.

2 And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying,

3 Thou knowest how that David my father could not build an house unto the name of the LORD his God [f] for the wars which were about him on every side, until the LORD [i] put them under the soles of his feet.

4 But now the LORD my God hath given me [k] rest on every side, *so that there is* neither adversary nor evil occurrent.

5 And, behold, I [†] purpose to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God, [l] as the LORD spake unto David my father, saying, Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build an house unto my name.

6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me cedar trees out of Lebanon; and my servants shall be with thy servants:

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[a] Ge. 15. 18. Jos. 1. 4.
[b] Ps. 68. 29.
[c] *say.*
[†] *bread.*
[‡] *cors.*
[d] Pr. 13. 1. 23. 24.
[§] *heard.*
[d] Ps. 72. 11.
[e] 1 Ch. 22. 9.
[f] Je. 23. 6.
[‖] *confidently*
[g] 2 Ch. 2. 18.
[h] Zec. 3. 10.
[i] Ju. 20. 1.
[k] *send.*
[k] 2 Ch. 1. 14.
[l] De. 17. 16.
[m] Ezr. 3. 7. Eze. 27. 17. Ac. 12. 20.
[†] *cors.*
[‡] or, *mules*, or, *swift beasts.* Es. 8. 14. Mi. 1. 13.
[m] Ps. 19. 8, 9.
[n] ch. 3. 12.
[§] *tribute of men.*
[p] Ge. 25. 6.
[r] Ac. 7. 22.
[s] Col. 2. 3.
[t] 1 Ch. 15. 19. Ps. 89. title.
[u] 1 Ch. 2. 6. 6. 33. Ps. 88. title.
[y] ch. 4. 6.
[z] ch. 9. 21. 2Ch. 2. 17, 18
[y] Pr. 1. 1. Ec. 12. 9.
[z] Ca. 1. 1.
[a] 1 Ch. 22. 2. Is. 28. 16. 1Co. 3. 11, 12. 1 Pe. 2. 6, 7. Re. 21. 14. 21.
[b] ch. 10. 1. 2 Ch. 9. 1, 23.
[‖] or, *Giblites.* Eze. 27. 9.
[c] 2 Ch. 2. 3, *Huram.*
[d] 2 Ch. 3. 1, 2.
[e] 2 Sa. 5. 11. 1 Ch. 14. 1. Am. 1. 9.
[f] Ac. 7. 47.
[g] *built.*
[§] 1 Ch. 22. 8. 28. 3.
[h] Eze. 41. 1, &c.
[i] Ps. 110. 1. Mal. 4. 3.
[k] ch. 4. 24. 2 Ch. 9. 9.
[†] *say.*
[l] 2 Sa. 7. 13. 1 Ch. 17. 12. 22. 10.
[‡] or, *windows broad within, and narrow without*: or, *skrowed* and *closed.*
[m] Eze. 40. 16. 41. 16.
[§] or, *upon*, or, *joining to.*
[‖] *floors.*

and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants according to all that thou shalt [g] appoint: for thou knowest that *there is* not among us any that can skill to hew timber like unto the Sidonians.

7 ¶ And it came to pass, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that he rejoiced greatly, and said, Blessed *be* the LORD this day, which hath given unto David [e] a wise son over this great people.

8 And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I have [§] considered the things which thou sentest to me for: *and* I will do all thy desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of fir.

9 My servants shall bring *them* down from Lebanon unto the sea: [f] and I will convey them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt [g] appoint me, and will cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt receive *them*: and thou shalt accomplish my desire, [m] in giving food for my household.

10 So Hiram gave Solomon cedar trees and fir trees *according to* all his desire.

11 And Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand [†] measures of wheat *for* food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year.

12 And the LORD gave Solomon wisdom, as [e] he promised him: and there was peace between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league together.

13 ¶ And king Solomon raised a [§] levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand men.

14 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, *and* two months at home: and [g] Adoniram *was* over the levy.

15 And [e] Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bare burdens, and fourscore thousand hewers in the mountains;

16 Beside the chief of Solomon's officers which *were* over the work, three thousand and three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.

17 And the king commanded, and they brought great stones, [a] costly stones, *and* hewed stones, to lay the foundation of the house.

18 And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders did hew *them*, and the [‖] stonesquarers: so they prepared timber and stones to build the house.

CHAP. VI.

AND [d] it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which *is* the second month, that [f] he [g] began to build the house of the LORD.

2 And [h] the house which king Solomon built for the LORD, the length thereof *was* threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty *cubits*, and the height thereof thirty cubits.

3 And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits *was* the length thereof, according to the breadth of the house; *and* ten cubits *was* the breadth thereof before the house.

4 And for the house he made [‡] windows [m] of narrow lights.

5 ¶ And [§] against the wall of the house he built [‖] chambers round about, *against* the walls of the house round about, *both*

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of the temple and of the oracle: and he made * chambers round about:

6 The nethermost chamber *was* five cubits broad, and the middle *was* six cubits broad, and the third *was* seven cubits broad: for without *in the wall of* the house he made † narrowed rests round about, that *the beams* should not be fastened in the walls of the house.

7 And ‡ the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready before it was brought thither: so that there was neither hammer nor ax *nor* any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building.

8 The door for the middle chamber *was* in the right § side of the house: and they went up with winding stairs into the middle *chamber*, and out of the middle into the third.

9 So ‖ he built the house, and finished it; and covered the house * with beams and boards of cedar.

10 And *then* he built chambers against all the house, five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.

11 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Solomon, saying,

12 *Concerning* this house which thou art in building, ‖ if thou wilt walk in my statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will I perform my word with thee, * which I spake unto David thy father:

13 And ‖ I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not ‡ forsake my people Israel.

14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.

15 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, * both the floor of the house, and the walls of the cieling: *and* he covered *them* on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the house with planks of fir.

16 And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with boards of cedar: he even built *them* for it within, *even* for the oracle, *even* for the ‡ most holy *place*.

17 And the house, that *is*, the temple before it, was forty cubits *long*.

18 And the cedar of the house within *was* carved with † knops and § open flowers: all *was* cedar; there was no stone seen.

19 And the oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

20 And the oracle in the forepart *was* twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with ‖ pure gold; and *so* covered the altar *which was of* cedar.

21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.

22 And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house: also ‖ the whole altar that *was* by the oracle he overlaid with gold.

23 ¶ And within the oracle * he made two cherubims *of* ‖ olive tree, *each* ten cubits high.

24 And five cubits *was* the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other *were* ten cubits.

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* *vide.*
† *narrowings, or, retirements.*
‡ or, *the cherubims stretched forth their wings.*
a Ex. 25. 20. 37. 9. 2 Ch. 5. 8.
b ch. 5. 18. De. 27. 5, 6.
§ *shoulder.*
‖ *openings of flowers.*
c ver. 38.
* or, *the vault beams and the cielings with cedar.*
† or, *four-square.*
‡ or, *leaves of the doors*
§ *openings of flowers.*
d ch. 2. 4. 9. 4.
‖ or, *four-square.*
e 2 Sa. 7. 13. 1 Ch. 22. 10.
f Exo. 41. 22. 25.
g Ex. 25. 8. Le. 26. 11. 2 Co. 6. 16. Re. 21. 3.
h De. 31. 6.
* or, *from the floor of the house unto the walls, &c.* and so, ver. 16.
i ver. 1.
† or, *with all the appurtenances thereof, and with all the ordinances thereof.*
k Ex. 26. 33. Le. 16. 2. 2 Ch. 3. 8. Exe. 45. 3. Heb. 9. 3.
l ver. 1, 9.
‡ or, *gourds.*
§ *openings of flowers.*
m 2 Ch. 8. 1.
‖ *shut up.*
* *ribs.*
† *right against right.*
‡ or, *spaces and pillars were square in prospect.*
n Ex. 30. 1, 3, 6.
o Ex. 37. 7, 9. 2 Ch. 3. 10, 12
§ or, *according to them*
‖ *trees of oil, or, oily.*
* or, *according to them*
† *from floor to floor.*

25 And the other cherub *was* ten cubits: both the cherubims *were* of one measure and one size.

26 The height of the one cherub *was* ten cubits, and so *was it* of the other cherub.

27 And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and ‡ they a stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the *one* wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.

28 And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.

29 And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubims and palm trees and § open flowers, within and without.

30 And the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and without.

31 ¶ And for the entering of the oracle he made doors *of* olive tree: the lintel *and* side posts *were* † a fifth part *of the wall*.

32 The ‡ two doors also *were of* olive tree; and he carved upon them carvings of cherubims and palm trees and § open flowers, and overlaid *them* with gold, and spread gold upon the cherubims, and upon the palm trees.

33 So also made he for the door of the temple posts *of* olive tree, ‖ a fourth part *of the wall*.

34 And the two doors *were of* fir tree: the *f* two leaves of the one door *were* folding, and the two leaves of the other door *were* folding.

35 And he carved *therron* cherubims and palm trees and open flowers: and covered them with gold fitted upon the carvedwork.

36 ¶ And he built the inner court with three rows of hewed stone, and a row of cedar beams.

37 ¶ In *i* the fourth year was the foundation of the house of the LORD laid, in the month Zif:

38 And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which *is* the eighth month, was the house finished † throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he *l* seven years in building it.

CHAP. VII.

BUT Solomon was building his own house *m* thirteen years, and he finished all his house.

2 ¶ He built also the house of the forest of Lebanon; the length thereof *was* an hundred cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits, upon four rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon the pillars.

3 And *it was* covered with cedar above upon the * beams, that *lay* on forty five pillars, fifteen *in a* row.

4 And *there were* windows *in* three rows, and †light *was* against light *in* three ranks.

5 And all the ‡ doors and posts *were* square, with the windows: and light *was* against light *in* three ranks.

6 ¶ And he made a porch of pillars; the length thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits: and the porch *was* § before them: and the *other* pillars and the thick beam *were* * before them.

7 ¶ Then he made a porch for the throne where he might judge, *even* the porch of judgment: and *it was* covered with cedar † from one side of the floor to the other.

8 ¶ And his house where he dwelt *had* another court within the porch, *which* was

of the like work. Solomon made also an house for Pharaoh's daughter, [c] whom he had taken *to wife*, like unto this porch.

9 All these were *of* costly stones, according to the measures of hewed stones, sawed with saws, within and without, even from the foundation unto the coping, and *so* on the outside toward the great court.

10 And the foundation *was of* costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits.

11 And above *were* costly stones, after the measures of hewed stones, and cedars.

12 And the great court round about *was* with three rows of hewed stones, and a row of cedar beams, both for the inner court of the house of the LORD, [e] and for the porch of the house.

13 ¶ And king Solomon sent and fetched [f] Hiram out of Tyre.

14 He [g] *was* [a] a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and [h] his father *was* a man of Tyre, [i] a worker in brass: and [i] he was filled with wisdom, and understanding, and cunning to work all works in brass. And he came to king Solomon, and wrought all his work.

15 For he [†] cast [k] two pillars of brass, of eighteen cubits high apiece: and a line of twelve cubits did compass either of them about.

16 And he made two chapiters *of* molten brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the height of the one chapiter *was* five cubits, and the height of the other chapiter *was* five cubits:

17 *And* nets of checker work, and wreaths of chain work, for the chapiters which *were* upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one chapiter, and seven for the other chapiter.

18 And he made the pillars, and two rows round about upon the one network, to cover the chapiters that *were* upon the top, with pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.

19 And the chapiters that *were* upon the top of the pillars *were* of lily work in the porch, four cubits.

20 And the chapiters upon the two pillars *had pomegranates* also above, over against the belly which *was* by the network: and the pomegranates *were* [m] two hundred in rows round about upon the other chapiter.

21 And [n] he set up the pillars in [o] the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof [*] Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof [†] Boaz.

22 And upon the top of the pillars *was* lily work: so was the work of the pillars finished.

23 ¶ And he made [p] a molten sea, ten cubits [§] from the one brim to the other: *it was* round all about, and his height *was* five cubits: and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.

24 And under the brim of it round about *there were* knops compassing it, ten in a cubit, [r] compassing the sea round about: the knops *were* cast in two rows, when it was cast.

25 It stood upon [s] twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.

26 And it *was* an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was wrought like

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[c] ch. 3. 1. 2 Ch. 8. 11.

[d] 2 Ch. 4. 5.

[e] Ese. 1. 10. 10. 1. 41. 18, 19. Ho. 5. 14. Ez. 4. 6, 7. 5. 5.

[f] Ge. 3. 24. Ex. 25. 18. 37. 7. Ps. 80. 1. He. 9. 5.

[g] Jno. 10 23. Ac. 3. 11.

f ver. 40. 2 Ch. 4. 11, *Huram.*

[h] 2 Ch. 2. 14.

[i] *the son of a widow woman.*

[k] 2 Ch. 4. 16.

[i] Ex. 31. 3. 35. 1.

† *fashioned.*

[k] 2 Ki. 25. 17. 2 Ch. 3. 15. 4. 12. Je. 52. 21.

[l] *in the base.*

§ *nakedness.*

[l] 2 Ch. 4. 6.

[m] 2 Ch. 3. 16 4. 13. Je. 52. 23.

[n] 2 Ch. 3. 17.

[o] ch. 6. 3.

‖ *shoulder.*

[*] i. e. *He shall establish.*

† i. e. *In it* is *strength.*

‡ *Hirom*, ver. 13.

[p] 2 Ki. 25. 13. 2 Ch. 4. 2. Je. 52. 17.

§ *from his brim to his brim.*

[r] 2 Ch. 4. 3.

[s] Je. 52. 20.

‖ *upon the face of the pillars.*

[t] Ex. 27. 3.

the brim of a cup, with flowers of lilies: it contained [t] two thousand baths.

27 ¶ And he made ten bases of brass; four cubits *was* the length of one base, and four cubits the breadth thereof, and three cubits the height of it.

28 And the work of the bases *was* on this *manner:* they had borders, and the borders *were* between the ledges:

29 And on the borders that *were* between the ledges *were* [a] lions, oxen, and [d] cherubims: and upon the ledges *there was* a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen *were* certain additions made of thin work.

30 And every base had four brasen wheels, and plates of brass: and the four corners thereof had undersetters: under the laver *were* undersetters molten, at the side of every addition.

31 And the mouth of it within the chapiter and above *was* a cubit: but the mouth thereof *was* round *after* the work of the base, a cubit and an half: and also upon the mouth of it *were* gravings with their borders, foursquare, not round.

32 And under the borders *were* four wheels; and the axletrees of the wheels *were* [‖] *joined* to the base: and the height of a wheel *was* a cubit and half a cubit.

33 And the work of the wheels *was* like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and their naves, and their felloes, and their spokes, *were* all molten.

34 And *there were* four undersetters to the four corners of one base: *and* the undersetters *were* of the very base itself.

35 And in the top of the base *was there* a round compass of half a cubit high: and on the top of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof *were* of the same.

36 For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders thereof, he graved cherubims, lions, and palm trees, according to the [§] proportion of every one, and additions round about.

37 After this *manner* he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure, *and* one size.

38 ¶ Then [l] made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty baths: *and* every laver was four cubits: *and* upon every one of the ten bases one laver.

39 And he put five bases on the right ‖ side of the house, and five on the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward over against the south.

40 ¶ And ‡ Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basons. So Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he made king Solomon for the house of the LORD:

41 The two pillars, and the *two* bowls of the chapiters that *were* on the top of the two pillars; and the two networks, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters which *were* upon the top of the pillars;

42 And four hundred pomegranates for the two networks, *even* two rows of pomegranates for one network, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters that *were* ‖ upon the pillars;

43 And the ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases;

44 And one sea, and twelve oxen under the sea;

45 And [t] the pots, and the shovels, and the basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to king Solomon for the

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house of the LORD, *were of* [o] bright brass.

46 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, [†] in the clay ground between [c] Succoth and [d] Zarthan.

47 And Solomon left all the vessels *unweighed*, [‡] because they were exceeding many: neither was the weight of the brass [§] found out.

48 And Solomon made all the vessels that *pertained* unto the house of the LORD: [e] the altar of gold, and the table of gold, whereupon [f] the shewbread *was*,

49 And the candlesticks of pure gold, five on the right *side*, and five on the left, before the oracle, with the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs *of* gold,

50 And the bowls, and the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the [||] censers *of* pure gold; and the hinges *of* gold, *both* for the doors of the inner house, the most holy *place*, *and* for the doors of the house, *to wit*, of the temple.

51 So was ended all the work that king Solomon made for the house of the LORD. And Solomon brought in the [*] things [r] which David his father had dedicated; *even* the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, did he put among the treasures of the house of the LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

THEN [e] Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the [†] chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, [e] that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD [a] out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.

2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the [a] feast in the month Ethanim, which *is* the seventh month.

3 And all the elders of Israel came, [a] and the priests took up the ark.

4 And they brought up the ark of the LORD, [a] and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, even those did the priests and the Levites bring up.

5 And king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him, *were* with him before the ark, [a] sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

6 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto [b] his place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy *place*, *even* under the wings of the cherubims.

7 For the cherubims spread forth *their* two wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.

8 And they drew out the staves, that the [||] ends of the staves were seen out in the [*] holy *place* before the oracle, and they were not seen without: and there they are unto this day.

9 *There* [m] *was* nothing in the ark [e] save the two tables of stone, which Moses [p] put there at Horeb, [r] when [r] the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.

10 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy *place*, that the cloud [s] filled the house of the LORD,

11 So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of the LORD.

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[o] *made bright, or, scoured.*
[a] 2 Ch. VI.
[b] Le. 16. 2. Ps. 18. 11. 97. 2.
[†] *in the thickness of the ground.*
[c] Ge. 33. 17.
[d] Jos. 3. 16.
[e] 2 Sa. 7. 13.
[f] Ps. 132. 14.
[‡] *for the exceeding multitude.*
[§] *searched.* 1 Ch. 22. 14.
[g] 2 Sa. 6. 18.
[h] Lu. 1. 68.
[i] Ex. 37. 25.
[k] 2 Sa. 7. 5, 25.
[l] Ex. 25. 30. Le. 24. 5. 8.
[m] 2 Sa. 7. 6.
[n] De. 12. 11.
[||] *ash pans.*
[o] 1 Sa. 16. 1.
[p] 2 Sa. 7. 2. 1 Ch. 17. 1.
[*] *holy things of David.*
[r] 2 Sa. 8. 11.
[s] 2 Sa. 7. 5, 12, 13.
[t] 2Ch. 5. 2, &c.
[†] *princes.*
[u] 1 Ch. 28. 5, 6
[v] 2 Sa. 6. 17.
[w] 2 Sa. 5. 7, 9
[x] De. 31. 26.
[y] Le. 23. 34.
[z] 2 Ch. 7. 8.
[a] Nu. 4. 15. De. 31. 9. Jos. 3. 3, 6. 1 Ch. 15. 14, 15
[b] Ex. 9. 33. Ezr. 9. 5. Is. 1. 15.
[c] 2 Ch. 1. 3.
[d] Ex. 15. 11. 2 Sa. 7. 22.
[e] De. 7. 9. Ne. 1. 5. Da. 9. 4.
[f] Ge. 17. 1. 2 Ki. 20. 3.
[g] 2 Sa. 6. 13.
[h] Ex. 26. 33, 34
[i] *there shall not be cut off unto thee a man from my sight.*
[k] ch. 2. 4.
[§] *only if.*
[l] 2 Sa. 7. 25.
[||] *heads.*
[*] or, *ark.*
[m] 2 Ch. 5. 9.
[t] 2 Ch. 2. 6. Is. 66. 1. Jo. 23. 24. Ac. 7. 49. 17. 24.
[n] 2 Co. 12. 2.
[o] Ex. 25. 21. De. 10. 2.
[p] He. 9. 4.
[r] Ex. 40. 20.
[†] or, *where.*
[r] Ex. 34. 27, 28 De. 4. 13.
[s] Ex. 40. 34, 35 2Ch. 5. 13, 14
[‡] or, *us.*

12 ¶ Then [a] spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell [b] in the thick darkness.

13 I [c] have surely built thee an house to dwell in, [f] a settled place for thee to abide in for ever.

14 And the king turned his face about, and [g] blessed all the congregation of Israel: (and all the congregation of Israel stood;)

15 And he said, [h] Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which [k] spake with his mouth unto David my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled *it*, saying,

16 Since [m] the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build an house, that [n] my name might be therein; but I chose [o] David to be over my people Israel.

17 And [p] it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

18 And the LORD said unto David my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to build an house unto my name, thou didst well that it was in thine heart.

19 Nevertheless [r] thou shalt not build the house; but thy son that shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house unto my name.

20 And the LORD hath performed his word that he spake, and I am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, [s] as the LORD promised, and have built an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

21 And I have set there a place for the ark, wherein *is* [†] the covenant of the LORD, which he made with our fathers, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt.

22 ¶ And Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and [t] spread forth his hands toward heaven:

23 And he said, LORD God of Israel, [u] *there is* no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, [v] who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that [w] walk before thee with all their heart:

24 Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled *it* with thine hand, as *it* is this day.

25 Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him, saying, [‡] There [x] shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; [§] so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked before me.

26 And [k] now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father.

27 But [l] will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and [m] heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

28 Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to day:

29 That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, *even* toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make [‡] toward this place.

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30 And [a] hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray [n] toward this place: and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive.

31 ¶ If any man trespass against his neighbour, [b] and [d] an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house:

32 Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, [f] condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

33 ¶ When [i] thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee, and [k] shall turn again to thee, and confess thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto thee in this house:

34 Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest unto their fathers.

35 ¶ When [l] heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou afflictest them:

36 Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, that thou [p] teach them [r] the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon thy land, which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.

37 ¶ If [s] there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting, mildew, locust, *or* if there be caterpiller; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their [o] cities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever sickness *there be;*

38 What prayer and supplication soever be *made* by any man, *or* by all thy people Israel, which shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

39 Then hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou, *even* thou only, [u] knowest the hearts of all the children of men:)

40 That [x] they may fear thee all the days that they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

41 Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake;

42 (For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy [b] strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;

43 Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for: [c] that all people of the earth may know thy name, to [d] fear thee, as *do* thy people Israel; and that they may know that I this house, which I have builded, is called by thy name.

44 ¶ If thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto the LORD ‖ toward the city which thou hast chosen, and *toward* the house that I have built for thy name:

45 Then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their [o] cause.

46 If they sin against thee, (‡ for *there is* no man that sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the

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[a] 2 Ch. 20. 9. Ne. 1. 6.
[b] Le. 26. 34, 14. De. 28. 36, 64.
[n] or, *in this place.*
[d] Le. 26. 40.
[t] *bring back to their heart.*
‡ *and he require an oath of him* Le. 5. 1.
[d] Ex. 22. 11.
[e] Ps. 106. 6. Da. 9. 5.
[f] De. 25. 1.
[g] Je. 29. 12..14
[h] Da. 6. 10.
[i] De. 28. 25.
[k] Le. 26. 39, 40. Ne. 1. 9.
[l] or, *toward.* ‖ or, *right.*
[l] Le. 26. 19. De. 28. 23.
[m] Ezr. 7. 6. Ps. 106. 46.
[n] De. 9. 29. Ne. 1. 10.
[o] De. 4. 20. Je. 11. 4.
[p] Ps. 25. 4. 27. 11. 94. 12. 143. 8.
[r] 1 Sa. 12. 23.
[s] De. 28. 21, &c. 2 Ch. 20. 9.
[t] Ex. 19. 5. De. 14. 2.
[o] or, *jurisdiction.*
[u] 2 Sa. 6. 18.
[v] 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Ps. 11. 4. Je. 17. 10. Ac. 1. 24.
[x] Ps. 130. 4.
[y] De. 12. 10. Jos. 21. 43. 23. 14.
† *fallen.*
[a] De. 31. 6. Jos. 1. 5.
[a] Ps. 110. 3. 119. 36. Phi. 2. 13. He. 13. 21.
[b] De. 3. 24.
[c] 1 Sa. 17. 46. 2 Ki. 19. 19. Ps. 67. 2.
[d] Ps. 102. 15.
‡ *thy name is called upon this house.*
§ *the thing of a day in his day.*
[e] Jos. 4. 24. 1 Sa. 17. 46. 2 Ki. 19. 19.
[f] De. 4. 35, 39. ‖ *the way of the city.*
[g] ch. 11. 4. 15. 3, 14. 2 Ki. 20. 3.
[h] 2 Ch. 7. 4, &c.
[o] or, *right.*
[i] 2 Ch. 6. 36. Pr. 20. 9. Ec. 7. 20. Ja. 3. 2. 1 Jno. 1. 8, 10

enemy, so that they carry them away captives [g] unto the land of the enemy, far or near;

47 *Yet* [e] if they shall † bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, [f] We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

48 And so [f] return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and [h] pray unto thee toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name:

49 Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and maintain their ‖ cause,

50 And forgive thy people that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against thee, and [m] give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

51 For [n] they *be* thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, [o] from the midst of the furnace of iron:

52 That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant, and unto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee.

53 For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, *to be* thine inheritance, [p] as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy servant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.

54 And it was *so*, that when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication unto the LORD, he arose from before the altar of the LORD, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.

55 And he stood, [q] and blessed all the congregation of Israel with a loud voice, saying,

56 Blessed *be* the LORD, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: [y] there hath not † failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.

57 The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: [z] let him not leave us, nor forsake us:

58 That he may [a] incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

59 And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the LORD, be nigh unto the LORD our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel § at all times, as the matter shall require:

60 That [c] all the people of the earth may know that [f] the LORD *is* God, *and that there is* none else.

61 Let your [g] heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

62 ¶ And [i] the king, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before the LORD.

63 And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he offered unto the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and

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an hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of the LORD.

64 The same day did the king hallow the middle of the court that *was* before the house of the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings: because [h] the brasen altar that *was* before the LORD *was* too little to receive the burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings.

65 And at that time Solomon held [d] a feast, and all Israel with him, a great congregation, from [f] the entering in of Hamath unto [f] the river of Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven days and seven days, *even* fourteen days.

66 On the eighth day he sent the people away: and they [i] blessed the king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the LORD had done for DAVID his servant, and for Israel his people.

CHAP. IX.

AND [m] it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the LORD, [o] and the king's house, and [p] all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,

2 That the LORD appeared to Solomon the second time, [r] as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon.

3 And the LORD said unto him, [s] I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; [t] and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

4 And if thou wilt [u] walk before me, [x] as DAVID thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, *and* wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:

5 Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, [z] as I promised to DAVID thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

6 *But* [a] if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my commandments *and* my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them:

7 Then [b] will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have *given* them; and this house, which I have hallowed [c] for my name, will I cast out of my sight; [d] and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all people:

8 And at this house, *which* is high, every one that passeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, [m] Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this house?

9 And they shall answer, Because they forsook the LORD their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath the LORD brought upon them all this evil.

10 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, when Solomon had built the two houses, the house of the LORD, and the king's house,

11 (*Now* Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar trees and fir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire,) that then king Solomon gave

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[o] *were not right in his eyes.*
[a] Jos. 19. 27.
† i. e. *displeasing, or, dirty.*
[b] 2 Ch. 4. 1.
[c] ch. 5. 13.
[d] Le. 23. 34.
[e] 2 Sa. 5. 9.
[f] Jos. 13. 5. Ju. 3. 3. 2 Ki. 14. 25.
[g] Jos. 19. 36.
[h] Jos. 17. 11.
[i] Ju. 1. 29.
[j] Ge. 15. 18. Nu. 34. 5.
[k] Jos. 16. 10.
‡ *or, thanked.*
[l] Jos. 16. 3. 21. 22. 2 Ch. 8. 5.
[m] 2 Ch. 7. 11, &c.
[n] ch. 4. 26.
§ *the desire of Solomon which he desired.*
[o] ch. 7. 1. [p] 2 Ch. 8. 6.
[r] ch. 3. 5.
[s] 2 Ki. 20. 5. Ps. 10. 17.
[t] Ju. 3. 1.
[u] Jos. 15. 63.
[x] De. 11. 12.
[z] Ju. 1. 28. [y] Ge. 9. 25, 26. Exr. 2 55, 58 Ne. 7. 57. 11. 3.
[a] Ge. 17. 1.
[a] ch. 11. 4, 5, 38 14. 8. 15. 5.
[b] Le. 26. 39.
[c] ch. 2. 4. 6. 12. 2 Sa. 7. 12, 16 1 Ch. 22. 10 Ps. 132. 12.
[d] 2 Ch. 8. 10.
[e] ch. 3. 1.
[f] 2 Sa. 7. 14. 2 Ch. 7. 19, 20 Ps. 89. 30, &c.
[g] 2 Sa. 5. 9. 1 Ch. 11. 8.
[h] De. 4. 26. 2 Ki. 17. 23. 25. 21.
‖ *upon it.*
[i] Je. 7. 14.
[k] De. 28. 37. Ps. 44. 14.
[l] ch. 22. 48. Nu. 33. 35. De. 2. 8.
• *Up.*
[m] De. 29. 24.. 26. Je. 22. 8, 9.
[n] ch. 10. 11.
[o] Job 22. 24. Ps. 45. 9. Is. 13. 12.
[p] 2 Ch. 9. 1, &c. Mat. 12. 42. Lu. 11. 31.
[r] Ju. 14. 12. Pr. 1. 6.

Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee.

12 And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and they [•] pleased him not.

13 And he said, What cities *are* these which thou hast given me, my brother? [•] And he called them the land of [†] Cabul unto this day.

14 And Hiram sent to the king sixscore talents of gold.

15 ¶ And this *is* the reason of [e] the levy which king Solomon raised; for to build the house of the LORD, and his own house, and [e] Millo, and the wall of Jerusalem, and [g] Hazor, and [h] Megiddo, and [i] Gezer.

16 *For* Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, [k] and slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city, and given it *for* a present unto his daughter, Solomon's wife.

17 And Solomon built Gezer, and [l] Bethhoron the nether,

18 And Baalath, and Tadmor in the wilderness, in the land,

19 And all the cities of [e] store that Solomon had, and cities for [m] his chariots, and cities for his horsemen, and [§] that which Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion.

20 *And* all the people *that were* left of the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites, which *were* not of the children of Israel,

21 Their children [f] that were left after them in the land, [n] whom the children of Israel also were not able utterly to destroy, [n] upon those did Solomon levy a tribute of [y] bondservice unto this day.

22 But of the children of Israel did Solomon [b] make no bondmen: but they *were* men of war, and his servants, and his princes, and his captains, and rulers of his chariots, and his horsemen.

23 These *were* the chief of the officers that *were* over Solomon's work, [d] five hundred and fifty, which bare rule over the people that wrought in the work.

24 ¶ But [r] Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David unto her house which *Solomon* had built for her: [g] then did he build Millo.

25 ¶ And three times in a year did Solomon offer burnt offerings and peace offerings upon the altar which he built unto the LORD, and he burnt incense [‖] upon the altar that *was* before the LORD. So he finished the house.

26 ¶ And king Solomon made a navy of ships in [l] Ezion-geber, which *is* beside Eloth, on the [•] shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom.

27 And [m] Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon.

28 And they came to [•] Ophir, and fetched from thence gold, four hundred and twenty talents, and brought *it* to king Solomon.

CHAP. X.

AND when the [p] queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came [r] to prove him with hard questions.

2 And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

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3 And Solomon told her all her [o] questions: there was not *any* thing hid from the king, which he told her not.

4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,

5 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the ‡ attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his ‖ cupbearers, [b] and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.

6 And she said to the king, It was a true [o] report that I heard in mine own land of thy † acts and of thy wisdom.

7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it:* and, behold, the half was not told me: ‡ thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8 Happy [d] *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, *and* that hear thy wisdom.

9 Blessed [f] be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, [i] to do judgment and justice.

10 And she [k] gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.

11 And [m] the navy also of Hiram, that brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir great plenty of † almug trees, and precious stones.

12 And the king made of the almug trees § pillars for the house of the LORD, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for singers. there came no such almug trees, nor were seen unto this day.

13 And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside *that* which Solomon gave her ‖ of his royal bounty. So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.

14 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred threescore and six talents of gold,

15 Beside *that he had* of the merchantmen, and of the traffick of the spice merchants, and [r] of all the kings of Arabia, and of the [s] governors of the country.

16 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of gold went to one target.

17 And *he made* three hundred shields *of* beaten gold; three pound of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

18 ¶ Moreover [y] the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with the best gold.

19 The throne had six steps, and the top of the throne *was* round § behind: and *there were* ‖ stays on either side on the place of the seat, and two lions stood beside the stays.

20 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was not [o] the like made in any kingdom.

21 ¶ And all king Solomon's drinking vessels *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon *were of* pure gold: ‡ none *were of* silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

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[o] *words.*
[a] Ge. 10. 4. 2 Ch. 20. 36.
† or, *elephants' teeth.*
‡ *standing.*
§ *sought the face of.*
‖ or, *butlers.*
[b] 1 Ch. 26. 16.
[o] *word.*
† or, *sayings.*
[c] Is. 2. 7.
‡ *thou hast added wisdom and goodness to the fame.*
[d] Pr. 8. 34.
[e] 2 Ch. 1. 15., 17.
§ *gave.*
ch. 5. 7.
‖ *the going forth of the horses which was Solomon's.*
[f] De. 17. 16.
[g] 2 Ch. 9. 28.
[h] Eze. 27. 7.
[i] 2 Sa. 8. 15. Ps. 72. 2. Pr. 8. 15.
[k] Ps. 72. 10, 15.
[l] Jos. 1. 4.
[m] 2 Ki. 7. 6.
[o] *by their hand.*
[m] ch. 9. 27.
† *algumtrees* 2 Ch. 2. 8, 9, 10, 11.
[n] De. 17. 17. Ne. 13. 26.
‡ or, *beside.*
§ *a prop,* or, *rails.*
[o] Ex. 34. 16. De. 7. 3, 4.
‖ *according to the hand of king Solomon.*
[p] Ne. 13. 26.
[r] ch. 8. 61.
[s] 2 Ch. 9. 24.
[t] Ju. 2. 13.
[o] or, *captains*
† *Molech,* ver. 7.
‡ *fulfilled not after.* Nu. 14. 24.
[u] Nu. 33. 52.
[v] Nu. 21. 29. Ju. 11. 24.
[x] 2 Ki. 23. 13.
[y] 2 Ch. 9. 17, &c.
§ *on the hinder part thereof.*
‖ *hands.*
[z] Ps. 78. 56., 60. 9. 7, 8.
[a] Pr. 4. 23. Is. 29. 13, 14. Ho. 4. 11.
[b] ch. 3. 5. 9. 2.
[c] ch. 6. 12.
[o] *so.*
† *is with thee*
‡ or, *there was no silver* in them

22 For the king had at sea a navy of [o] Tharshish with the navy of Hiram: once in three years came the navy of Tharshish, bringing gold, and silver, † ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.

24 ¶ And all the earth § sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart.

25 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and garments, and armour, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

26 ¶ And Solomon [g] gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.

27 And [d] the king § made silver *to be* in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he *to be* as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale, for abundance.

28 ¶ And ‖ Solomon [g] had horses brought out of Egypt, and [h] linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.

29 And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: [i] and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they bring *them* out [o] by their means.

CHAP. XI.

BUT [m] king Solomon loved many strange women, ‡ together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, *and* Hittites;

2 Of the nations *concerning* which the LORD said unto the children of Israel, [o] Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: *for* surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love.

3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, [p] *that* his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his [r] heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as *was* the heart of David his father.

5 For Solomon went after [t] Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after † Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.

6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and ‡ went not fully after the LORD, as *did* David his father.

7 Then [u] did Solomon build an high place for [v] Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in [x] the hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.

8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

9 ¶ And [z] the LORD was angry with Solomon, because [a] his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, [b] which had appeared unto him twice,

10 And [c] had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.

11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this † is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded

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thee, [a] I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.

12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it [a] for David thy father's sake: *but* I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.

13 Howbeit [a] I will not rend away all the kingdom; *but* will give [f] one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake [g] which I have chosen.

14 ¶ And the LORD [h] stirred up an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the Edomite: he *was* of the king's seed in Edom.

15 For [i] it came to pass, when David was in Edom, and Joab the captain of the host was gone up to bury the slain, [k] after he had smitten every male in Edom;

16 (For six months did Joab remain there with all Israel, until he had cut off every male in Edom:)

17 That Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him, [l] to go into Egypt; Hadad *being* yet a little child.

18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they took men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh king of Egypt; which gave him an house, and appointed him victuals, and gave him land.

19 And Hadad [o] found great favour in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gave him to wife the sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes the queen.

20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in Pharaoh's houshold among the sons of Pharaoh.

21 And [r] when Hadad heard in Egypt that David slept with his fathers, and that Joab the captain of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, † Let me depart, that I may go to mine own country.

22 Then Pharaoh said unto him, [s] But what hast thou lacked with me, that, behold, thou seekest to go to thine own country? And he answered, ‡ Nothing: howbeit let me go in any wise.

23 ¶ And [t] God stirred him up *another* adversary, Rezon the son of Eliadah, which fled from his lord Hadadezer king of [u] Zobah:

24 And he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a band, [x] when David slew them *of Zobah*: and they went to Damascus, and dwelt therein, and reigned in Damascus.

25 And he [y] was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon, beside the mischief that Hadad *did*: and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria.

26 ¶ And [z] Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant, whose mother's name *was* Zeruah, a widow woman, even he [f] lifted up *his* hand against the king.

27 And this *was* the cause that he lifted up *his* hand against the king: [b] Solomon built Millo, *and* [c] repaired the breaches of the city of David his father.

28 And the man Jeroboam *was* a mighty man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young man that he † was industrious, he made him ruler over all the ‡ charge of the house of Joseph.

29 And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet [d] Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two *were* alone in the field:

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[a] ch. 12. 15, 16.
[b] 1 Sa. 15. 27. 24. 5.
[c] Ps. 132. 1, 17. Is. 9. 7. Lu. 1. 32, 33.
[d] ver. 11, 13.
[e] 2 Sa. 7. 15. Ps. 89. 33.
[f] ch. 12. 20.
[g] De. 12. 11. Je. 33. 15, 16.
[h] 1 Ch. 5. 26. Is. 10. 5, 26. 13. 17.
[i] 2 Sa. 8. 14. 1 Ch. 18. 12, 13.
[k] ver. 5–7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. 2 Ch. 15. 2. Je. 2. 13. Ho. 4. 17.
[l] Nu. 24. 19. De. 20. 13.
[m] Mat. 2. 13, 14.
[n] Job 11. 6. Ps. 103. 10. Hab. 3. 2.
[o] ch. 12. 16, 17.
[p] Ge. 39. 4, 21. Ac. 7. 10, 21.
[r] ch. 15. 4. 2 Ki. 8. 19. Ps. 132. 17.
[s] *lamp*, or, *candle*.
[t] Ex. 4. 19. 1 Ki. 2. 10, 34.
† *Send me away.*
[s] Lu. 22. 35.
‡ *Not.*
[t] Jos. 1. 5.
[u] 2 Sa. 7. 11, 27.
[x] 2 Sa. 16. 11. Is. 45. 5. Eze. 38. 16.
[y] Ps. 60. title.
[z] 2 Ch. 9. 29.
§ or, *words*, or, *things*.
[a] 2 Sa. 8. 3. 10. 8, 18.
[a] 2 Ch. 9. 30.
‖ *days.*
[b] 2 Ch. 9. 31.
[c] Mat. 1. 7, called *Roboam*.
[d] ch. 12. 2. 2 Ch. 13. 6.
[e] 2 Ch. 10. 1, &c.
[f] 2 Sa. 20. 21.
[g] ch. 11. 26.
[h] ch. 9. 24.
[i] ch. 11. 40.
[o] *closed.*
† *did work.*
‡ *burden.*
[k] ch. 4. 7. 1 Sa. 8. 11.. 18. Mat. 11. 29, 30. 23. 4. 1 Jno. 5. 3.
[l] ch. 14. 2.

30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that *was* on him, and [b] rent it *in* twelve pieces:

31 And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for [d] thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee:

32 (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)

33 Because [i] that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do *that which is* right in mine eyes, and *to keep* my statutes and my judgments, as *did* David his father.

34 Howbeit [m] I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I will make him prince all the days of his life, for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:

35 But [n] I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto thee, *even* ten tribes.

36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that [p] David my servant may have a [o] light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there.

37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.

38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do *that is* right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that [r] I will be with thee, and [s] build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee.

39 And I will for this affict the seed of David, but not for ever.

40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

41 ¶ And [t] the rest of the § acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, *are* they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon?

42 And [a] the ‖ time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel *was* forty years.

43 And [b] Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father: and [c] Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XII.

AND [e] Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.

2 And it came to pass, when [g] Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in [i] Egypt, heard *of it*, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)

3 That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

4 Thy father made our [k] yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

5 And he said unto them, Depart yet

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for three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

6 ¶ And king Rehoboam [a] consulted with the old men, that stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that I may answer this people?

7 And they spake unto him, saying, [b] If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and will serve them, and answer them, and speak [c] good words to them, then they will be thy servants for ever.

8 But [d] he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, *and* which stood before him:

9 And he said unto them, What counsel give ye that we may answer this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?

10 And the young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them, [e] My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, [f] I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

12 ¶ So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

13 And the king [g] answered the people [h] roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; [i] for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD [k] spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

16 ¶ So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, [l] What portion have we in David? neither *have we* inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house, David. So Israel departed unto their tents.

17 But *as for* the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

18 Then king Rehoboam [m] sent Adoram, who *was* over the tribute; and all Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king Rehoboam [n] made speed *to get* him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

19 So [o] Israel [p] rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

20 And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

21 ¶ And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house

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[a] Job 12. 12. 32. 7. Pr. 27. 10. Je. 42. 2..4. 43. 2.
[b] 2 Ch. 11. 2
[c] 2 Ch. 10. 7. Pr. 15. 1. Mat. 20. 26, 27. Lu. 9. 48.
[d] Ec. 10. 4. Zec. 1. 13.
[e] 2 Ch. 25. 15, 16. Pr. 1. 2..5. 19. 20. 25. 12.
[f] ver. 15.
[g] Ju. 9. 45.
[h] Ju. 8. 17.
[i] De. 12. 5, 6.
[k] Pr. 10. 14. 18. 6, 7. Is. 47. 6.
[l] Ex. 1. 13, 14. 5. 5..9, 18. Is. 58. 6. Je. 22. 13, 14.
[m] 2 Ki. 10. 29. 17. 16.
[n] Ex. 32. 4, 8.
[o] Ge. 28. 19. Ho. 4. 15.
[p] Ju. 18. 29.
[r] 2 Ki. 17. 21.
[s] Pr. 10. 11, 32. 15. 1. Ec. 10. 12. Ja. 3. 17.
[t] *hardly.*
[u] ch. 13. 32.
[w] Nu. 3. 10. 2 Ki. 17. 32. 2 Ch. 11. 14, 15 Eze. 44. 7, 8.
[x] ch. 8. 2. 5. Le. 23. 33, 34 Nu. 29. 12.
† or, *went up to the altar, &c.*
‡ or, *to sacrifice.*
[z] ver. 21. Ju. 14. 4. 2 Ch. 10. 15. 22. 7. 25. 20.
[y] Am. 7. 13.
[a] ch. 11. 11, 31.
§ or, *went up to the altar, &c.*
[c] Nu. 15. 39.
[b] 2 Sa. 20. 1.
|| *to burn incense.*
[e] ch. 13. 1.
[d] 2 Ki. 23. 17.
[e] ch. 13. 2, 32, 33.
* or, *to offer.*
[f] ch. 4. 6. 5. 14.
† *strengthened himself.*
[g] 2 Ki. 23. 15, 16 Is. 42. 9. 46. 10. 48. 5..7.
[h] 2 Ki. 17. 21.
‡ or, *fell away.*
[i] Is. 7. 14. Mat. 16. 1. Lu. 17. 20. Joo. 2. 18. 1 Co. 1. 22.

of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

22 But [a] the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying,

24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; [b] for this thing is from me. They hearkened therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.

25 ¶ Then Jeroboam [c] built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from thence, and built [d] Penuel.

26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

27 If this people [e] go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, *even* unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.

28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and [m] made two calves *of* gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: [n] behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

29 And he set the one in [o] Beth-el, and the other put he in [p] Dan.

30 And this thing became [r] a sin: for the people went *to worship* before the one, *even* unto Dan.

31 And he made an [s] house of high places, [t] and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.

32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the [u] feast that *is* in Judah, and he † offered upon the altar. So did he in Beth-el, ‡ sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: [y] and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places which he had made.

33 So he § offered upon the altar which he had made in Beth-el the fifteenth day of the eighth month, *even* in the month which he had [a] devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, || and [c] burnt incense.

CHAP. XIII.

AND, behold, there [d] came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Beth-el: [e] and Jeroboam stood by the altar [f] to burn incense.

2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, [g] Josiah by name; and upon thee shall he offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's bones shall be burnt upon thee.

3 And he gave [i] a sign the same day, saying, This *is* the sign which the LORD hath spoken; Behold, the altar shall be rent, and the ashes that *are* upon it shall be poured out.

4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God,

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which had cried against the altar in Beth-el, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, [a] Lay hold on him. And [b] his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.

5 The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of God had given by the word of the LORD.

6 And the king answered and said unto the man of God, [d] Intreat now the face of the LORD thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again. And the man of God besought [e] the LORD, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as *it was* before.

7 And the king said unto the man of God, Come home with me, and refresh thyself, and *I* will give thee a reward.

8 And the man of God said unto the king, [f] If thou wilt give me half thine house, [h] I will not go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place:

9 For so was it charged me by the word of the LORD, saying, [i] Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by the same way that thou camest.

10 So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came to Beth-el.

11 ¶ Now there dwelt [k] an old prophet in Beth-el; and his [§] sons came and told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in Beth-el: the words which he had spoken unto the king, them they told also to their father.

12 And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons had seen what way the man of God went, which came from Judah.

13 And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled him the ass: and he rode thereon,

14 And went after the man of God, and found him sitting [l] under an oak: and he said unto him, *Art* thou the man of God that camest from Judah? And he said, I *am*.

15 Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread.

16 And he said, [i] I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place:

17 For [t] it was said to me [e] by the word of the LORD, Thou shalt eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou camest.

18 He said unto him, I *am* a prophet also as thou *art*; and an angel spake unto me by the word of the LORD, saying, Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water. [l] *But* he lied unto him.

19 So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water.

20 ¶ And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back:

21 And he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee,

22 But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the [d] place, of the which *the LORD* did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers.

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[a] Ps. 105. 15. Je. 20. 2. 4. Am. 7. 10. 17 Mar. 14. 44.
[b] Lu. 6. 6. 10.
[c] ch. 20. 36. 1 Co. 11. 30. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[d] Ex. 8. 8. 9. 28. 10. 17. Nu. 21. 7. Ac. 8. 24. Ja. 5. 16.
[e] *the face of the LORD.*
[f] Lu. 10. 5. Ps. 119. 120. Pr. 11. 31. Eze. 9. 6. He. 12. 28, 29
[g] 1 Sa. 9. 7.
[h] 2 Ki. 5. 15.
[i] *broken.*
[k] Nu. 22. 18. 24. 13.
[l] Mar. 6. 11. 2 Co. 11. 9, 10
[i] Ps. 141. 4. Ro. 16. 17. 1 Co. 5. 11. Ep. 5. 11. 2 Jno. 10, 11. Re. 18. 4.
[k] Da. 6. 22. 24 Ac. 16. 36.
[§] *sons.*
[l] Eze. 13. 3, 16. Mat. 7. 22.
[§] *son.*
[m] Je. 22. 18.
[n] 2 Ki. 23. 17, 18.
[e] ver. 2. 2 Ki. 23. 16, 19.
[p] 1 Co. 4. 11, 12. 2 Co. 11. 27.
[r] ch. 16. 34.
[s] ch. 12. 31, 32. 2 Ch. 11. 15. 13. 9.
[||] *returned and made.*
[t] ver. 8, 9.
[u] *filled his hand.* Ju. 17. 12.
[x] ch. 12. 30.
[y] ch. 14. 10
[†] *a word was.*
[z] ch. 20. 35. 1 Th. 4. 15.
[y] Ge. 3. 4, 5. Is. 9. 15. Je. 5. 31. Mat. 7. 15. 24. 24. Ro. 16. 18. 2 Pe. 2. 1. 1 Jno. 4. 1. Re. 19. 20.
[a] ch. 11. 31.
[a] 1 Sa. 9. 7, 8.
[‡] *in thine hand.*
[§] or, *cakes.*
[||] or, *bottle.*
[b] ch. 11. 29.
[c] *stood for his hoariness.*
[d] Ps. 139. 1...4. Pr. 21. 30. Am. 3. 7. Ac. 10. 19, 20
[d] ver. 9.

23 ¶ And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, *to wit*, for the prophet whom he had brought back.

24 And when he was gone, [z] a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase.

25 And, behold, men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing by the carcase: and they came and told *it* in the city where the old prophet dwelt.

26 And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard *thereof*, he said, It *is* [a] the man of God, who was disobedient unto the word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath delivered him unto the lion, which hath [†] torn him, and slain him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake unto him.

27 And he spake to his sons, saying, Saddle me the ass. And they saddled *him*.

28 And he went and found his carcase cast in the way, and the ass and the lion standing by the carcase: [b] the lion had not eaten the carcase, nor [†] torn the ass.

29 And the prophet took up the carcase of the man of God, and laid it upon the ass, and brought it back: and the old prophet came to the city, to mourn and to bury him.

30 And he laid his carcase in his own grave; and they mourned over him, *saying*, [m] Alas, my brother!

31 And it came to pass, after he had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, When I am dead, then bury me in the sepulchre wherein the man of God *is* buried; [m] lay my bones beside his bones:

32 For [e] the saying which he cried by the word of the LORD against the altar in Beth-el, and against all the houses of the high places which *are* in the cities of [r] Samaria, shall surely come to pass.

33 ¶ After [s] this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but [||] made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he [u] consecrated him, and he became *one* of the priests of the high places.

34 And [x] this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even [y] to cut *it* off, and to destroy *it* from off the face of the earth.

CHAP. XIV.

AT that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thyself, that thou be not known *to be* the wife of Jeroboam; and get thee to Shiloh: behold, there *is* Ahijah the prophet, which told me that [z] *I should be* king over this people.

3 And [a] take [‡] with thee ten loaves, and [§] cracknels, and a [||] cruse of honey, and go to him: he shall tell thee what shall become of the child.

4 And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, [b] and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes [c] were set by reason of his age.

5 ¶ And [d] the LORD said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam cometh to ask a thing of thee for her son; for he *is* sick: thus and thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when she cometh in, that she shall feign herself *to be* another *woman*.

6 And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the

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door, that he said, Come in, [a] thou wife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself *to be* another? for I *am* sent to thee *with* † heavy *tidings*.

7 Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, [b] Forasmuch as I exalted thee from among the people, and made thee prince over my people Israel,

8 And [c] rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it thee: and *yet* thou hast not been as my servant David, [d] who kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do *that* only *which was* right in mine eyes;

9 But hast done evil above all that were before thee: [e] for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, [m] to provoke me to anger, and [n] hast cast me behind thy back:

10 Therefore, behold, [o] I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and [p] will cut off from Jeroboam him that pisseth against the wall, [r] *and* him that is shut up and left in Israel, and will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away dung, till it be all gone.

11 Him [t] that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: *and* [u] when thy feet enter into the city, the child shall die.

13 And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for he only of Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him [v] there is found *some* good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam.

14 Moreover [w] the LORD shall raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now.

15 For the LORD shall smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water, and he shall [x] root up Israel out of this [y] good land, which he gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them [z] beyond the river, [a] because they have made their groves, provoking the LORD to anger.

16 And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, [b] who did sin, and who made Israel to sin.

17 ¶ And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to [m] Tirzah: *and* [c] when she came to the threshold of the door, the child died;

18 And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.

19 And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he [f] warred, and how he reigned, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned *were* two and twenty years: and he ‖ slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.

21 ¶ And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. [g] Rehoboam *was* forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city [w] which the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.

22 And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they [y] provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed above all that their fathers had done.

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[a] Pa. 33. 10.
[b] De. 12. 2. Ese. 16 21, 25
[c] or, *standingimages*, or, *statues*.
† *hard*.
[e] Is. 57. 5.
[d] De. 22. 17.
2 Ki. 23. 7.
[e] 2 Sa. 12. 7, 8.
[f] ch. 11. 31.
[g] 2 Ch. 12. 2.
[h] ch. 11. 33, 36. 15. 5.
[i] 2 Ch. 12. 9.. 11.
[k] 2 Ch. 11. 15.
[l] Ec. 1. 2.
[m] De. 9. 8..16. Je. 7. 9, 10. Ese. 8. 3, 17. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[n] Ne. 9. 26. Ps. 50. 17. Ese. 23. 35.
‡ *runners*.
[o] ch. 15. 29.
[p] ch. 21. 21. 2 Ki. 9. 8.
[r] De. 32. 36. 2 Ki. 14. 26.
[s] 2 Ch. 12. 15.
[t] ch. 16. 4. 21. 24.
[u] ch. 12. 24.
[v] ver. 17.
[w] 2 Ch. 12. 16, *Abijah*. Mat. 1. 7, *Abia*.
[x] 2 Ch. 12. 12. 19. 3. Job 19. 28. Ese. 18. 14.
[y] 2 Ch. 13. 1, &c.
[z] ch. 15. 27..29
[a] 2 Ch. 18. 2, *Michaiahthe daughter of Uriel*.
[b] 2 Ki. 17. 6. Ps. 52. 5.
[c] Jos. 23 15, 16
[f] Ps. 119. 80.
[g] 2 Ki. 15. 23
[h] Ex. 34. 13. De. 12. 3, 4.
[i] 2 Ch. 21. 7.
§ or, *candle*. ch. 11. 36.
[k] ch. 12. 30.
[l] ch. 14. 8.
[m] ch. 16. 6, 23. Ca. 6. 4.
[n] 2Sa. 11. 4, 15. 12. 9.
[o] ver. 12.
[p] 2Ch. 13. 2. 20
‖ *lay down*.
[r] 2 Ch. 12. 13.
[s] i. e. *grandmother's*. ver. 2.
[t] 2 Ch. 14. 2.
[u] ch. 11. 36.
[v] ch. 14. 24. 22. 46. Ro. 1. 26, 27. Jude 7.
[x] Exe. 20. 18, 19
[y] Ps. 78. 58.
[z] De. 12. 6..11 33. 9.

23 For they also built them [b] high places, and [c] images, and groves, on every high hill, and [d] under every green tree.

24 And [d] there were also sodomites in the land: *and* they did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

25 ¶ And [g] it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, *that* Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem:

26 And [i] he took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold [i] which Solomon had made.

27 And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed *them* unto the hands of the chief of the [l] guard, which kept the door of the king's house.

28 And it was *so*, when the king went into the house of the LORD, that the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard chamber.

29 ¶ Now [s] the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

30 And there was [m] war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all *their* days.

31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess. And [x] Abijam his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XV.

NOW [s] in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat reigned Abijam over Judah.

2 Three years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* [b] Maachah, the daughter of [c] Abishalom.

3 And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him: and [f] his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father.

4 Nevertheless [i] for David's sake did the LORD his God give him a §lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and *to* establish Jerusalem:

5 Because David [l] did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, and turned not aside from any *thing* that he commanded him all the days of his life, [m] save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

6 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life.

7 Now the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.

8 And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead.

9 ¶ And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa over Judah.

10 And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his [s] mother's name *was* Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

11 And [t] Asa did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, as *did* David his father.

12 And [v] he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed [x] all the idols that his fathers had made.

13 And also [s] Maachah his mother, even her he removed from *being* queen, because

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she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa [a] destroyed her idol, and [b] burnt *it* by the brook Kidron.

14 But [c] the high places were not removed: nevertheless Asa's [d] heart was perfect with the LORD all his days.

15 And he brought in the [†] things which his father had dedicated, and the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.

16 ¶ And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.

17 And [e] Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built [f] Ramah, [g] that he might not suffer any to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.

18 Then Asa took all the silver and the gold *that were* left in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and delivered them into the hand of his servants: and king Asa sent them to Ben-hadad, the son of Tabrimon, the son of Hezion, king of Syria, that dwelt at [m] Damascus, saying,

19 *There is* [n] a league between me and thee, *and* between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent unto thee a present of silver and gold; come [r] and break thy league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may [‡] depart from me.

20 So Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of the hosts which he had against the cities of Israel, and smote [s] Ijon, and [t] Dan, and [v] Abel-beth-maachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali.

21 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *thereof*, that he left off building of Ramah, and dwelt in Tirzah.

22 Then king Asa made a proclamation throughout all Judah; none *was* [§] exempted: and they took away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha had builded; and king Asa built with them [a] Geba of Benjamin, and [b] Mizpah.

23 The rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his might, and all that he did, and the cities which he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Nevertheless in the time of his old age he was diseased in his feet.

24 And Asa slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: [c] and Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead.

25 ¶ And Nadab the son of Jeroboam [d] began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two years.

26 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in [e] his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.

27 ¶ And [f] Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and Baasha smote him at [g] Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.

28 Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead.

29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, *that* he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him, according unto [h] the saying of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite:

30 Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.

31 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

32 And [d] there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.

33 In the third year of Asa king of Judah began Baasha the son of Ahijah to reign over all Israel in Tirzah, twenty and four years.

34 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in [i] the way of Jeroboam, and in [i] his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.

CHAP. XVI.

THEN the word of the LORD came to [k] Jehu the son of Hanani against Baasha, saying,

2 Forasmuch [l] as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee prince over my people Israel; and [m] thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, [n] and hast made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me to anger with their sins;

3 Behold, I will take away the posterity of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will make thy house like [o] the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

4 Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth of his in the fields shall the fowls of the air eat.

5 Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might, [p] *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

6 So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in [q] Tirzah: and Elah his son reigned in his stead.

7 And also by the hand of the prophet [r] Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the evil that he did in the sight of the LORD, in provoking him to anger with [o] the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam; and because [d] he killed him.

8 ¶ In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years.

9 And [f] his servant Zimri, captain of half *his* chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, [s] drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza [o] steward of *his* house in Tirzah.

10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.

11 ¶ And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, *that* he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him [i] not one that pisseth against a wall, [†] neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends.

12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha [t] by [m] Jehu the prophet,

13 For all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his son, by which they sinned, and by which they made Israel to sin, in provoking the LORD God of Israel to anger [o] with their vanities.

14 Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the

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[a] *cut off.*
[b] Ex. 32. 20.
[c] 2 Ch. 15. 17, 18.
[d] Lu. 1. 6.
[†] *holy.*
[d] ver. 16. Ja. 4. 1.
[e] 2 Ch. 16. 1, &c.
[f] Jos. 18. 25.
[g] ch. 12. 27.
[h] ch. 12. 28, 29. 13. 33. 14. 16.
[i] Ex. 32. 31. 1 Sa. 2. 24. 2 Ki. 3. 3. 21. 11. Jo. 32. 35. Ro. 14. 15. 1 Co. 8. 10-13
[k] 2 Ch. 19. 2. 20. 34.
[l] ch. 14. 7.
[m] ch. 11. 23, 24. Ge. 14. 15. Je. 49. 27. Am. 1. 4, 5.
[n] Is. 31. 1.
[o] ch. 15. 34.
[p] Mat. 5. 19.
[r] Ro. 1. 31.
[‡] *go up.*
[s] ch. 14. 10. 15. 29.
[t] 2 Ki. 15. 29.
[u] Ju. 18. 29.
[v] 2 Sa. 20. 14.
[x] 2 Ch. 16. 1.
[§] *free.*
[y] ch. 14. 17. 15. 21.
[a] ver. 1.
[b] Jos. 21. 17.
[c] Jos. 18. 26.
[d] Ps. 115. 4. Is. 2. 8. 44. 9-20.
[d] ch. 15. 27, 29. Ho. 1. 4.
[e] 2 Ch. 17. 1. Mat. 1. 8, called *Josaphat.*
[f] 2 Ki. 9. 31.
[g] Pr. 23. 29-35. Da. 5. 1-4, 30. Na. 1. 10. Hab 2. 15, 16
[h] *reigned.*
[i] *which was over.*
[k] ch. 12. 30. 14. 16.
[i] ch. 14. 14.
[k] ch. 16. 15. Jos. 19. 44. 21. 23.
[l] 1 Sa. 25. 22.
[†] or, *both his kinsmen and his friends.*
[t] *by the hand of.*
[m] ver. 1.
[n] ch. 14. 9-16.
[o] De. 32. 21. 1 Sa. 12. 21. Is. 41. 29. Jon. 2. 8. 1 Co. 8. 4. 10. 19.

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book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

15 ¶ In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah did Zimri reign seven days in Tirzah. And the people *were* encamped [b] against Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines.

16 And the people *that were* encamped heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also slain the king: wherefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp.

17 And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah.

18 And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died,

19 For [c] his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the LORD, [d] in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did, to make Israel to sin.

20 Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he wrought, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

21 ¶ Then were the people of Israel [f] divided into two parts: half of the people followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri.

22 But the people that followed Omri prevailed against the people that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.

23 ¶ In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign over Israel, twelve years: six years reigned he in Tirzah.

24 And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of silver, and built on the hill, and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill, ‡ Samaria. [m]

25 ¶ But [o] Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse than all that *were* before him.

26 For he [p] walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their [r] vanities.

27 Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he shewed, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned in his stead.

29 ¶ And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began Ahab the son of Omri to reign over Israel: and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty and two years.

30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD above all that *were* before him.

31 And it came to pass, [s] as if it had been [t] a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, [v] that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the [w] Zidonians, [x] and went and served Baal, and worshipped him.

32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in [y] the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.

33 And [z] Ahab made a grove; and Ahab [a] did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him.

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[a] Jos. 6. 26.
[b] ch. 15. 27.
[c] *Elijah.* Lu. 1. 17. 4. 25. he is called *Elias.*
[d] 2 Ki. 3. 14.
[f] De. 10. 8.
[f] Ja. 5. 17. Re. 11. 6.
[f] Ps. 31. 20. 83. 3. Je. 36. 19, 26 Jno. 8. 59. He. 11. 38.
[g] Ps. 9. 16. 58. 9..11.
[h] ch. 12. 28. 15. 25, 34.
[i] Job 38. 41. Lu. 4. 4.
[k] Mat. 6. 31.. 33. Lu. 22. 35. He. 13. 5, 6.
[l] Pr. 28. 2. Is. 9. 18..21. 19. 2. Mar. 3. 24. Ep. 4. 3.
† *at the end of days.*
[m] Ob. 20. Lu. 4. 26, called *Sarepta.*
‡ *Shomeron.*
[n] ch. 13. 32. 2 Ki. 17. 24. Jno. 4. 4. Ac. 8. 5.
[o] Mi. 6. 16.
[p] ver. 19.
[r] Je. 10. 3, 8. 16. 19. 18. 15. Ac. 14. 15. Ro. 1. 21..23.
§ *giveth.*
|| or, *a full year.*
[s] *was it a light thing, &c.*
[t] Is. 7. 13. Eze. 8. 17. 16. 20, 47. 34. 18.
† *by the hand of.*
[v] De. 7. 3.
[w] Ju. 18. 7.
[x] 2 Ki. 17. 16.
[y] Jno. 11. 3, 4, 14. Ja. 1. 2..4, 12 1 Pe. 1. 7. 4. 12.
[z] 2 Ki. 10. 21, 26, 27.
[a] Lu. 5. 8. 8. 28. Jno. 2. 4.
[a] 2 Ki. 13. 6. Je. 17. 2.
[b] 1 Sa. 16. 4. Job 13. 23, 26
[c] ch. 21. 25.

34 ¶ In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite build Jericho: he laid the foundation thereof in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof in his youngest *son* Segub, [d] according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.

CHAP. XVII.

AND [e] Elijah the Tishbite, *who was of* the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, [f] *As* the LORD God of Israel liveth, [g] before whom I stand, [h] there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.

2 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

3 Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, and [i] hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.

4 And it shall be, *that* thou shalt drink of the brook; and [k] I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there.

5 So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.

6 And [k] the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

7 And it came to pass † after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land.

8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

9 Arise, get thee to [m] Zarephath, which *belongeth* to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.

10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman *was* there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.

11 And as she was going to fetch *it*, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand.

12 And she said, *As* the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I *am* gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go *and* do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring *it* unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.

14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day *that* the LORD § sendeth rain upon the earth.

15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat *|| many* days.

16 *And* the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake † by Elijah.

17 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, [r] fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.

18 And she said unto Elijah, [s] What have I to do with thee, O thou man *of* God? [t] art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?

19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom,

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and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.

20 And [a] he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?

21 And [b] he [*] stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come [†] into him again.

22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he [c] revived.

23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.

24 ¶ And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this [d] I know that thou *art* a man of God, *and* [e] that the word of the LORD in thy mouth *is* truth.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND it came to pass [a] many days, that the word of the LORD came to Elijah in the third year, saying, Go, shew thyself unto Ahab; and [b] I will send rain upon the earth.

2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And *there was* a sore famine in Samaria.

3 And Ahab called [§] Obadiah, which *was* [‖] the governor of *his* house. (Now Obadiah feared the LORD greatly:

4 For it was *so*, when [*] Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.)

5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah, Go into the land, unto all fountains of water, and unto all brooks: peradventure we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive, [‡] that we lose not all the beasts.

6 So they divided the land between them to pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself.

7 ¶ And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell on his face, and said, *Art* thou that my lord Elijah?

8 And he answered him, I *am:* go, tell [c] thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.

9 And he said, What have I sinned, that thou wouldest deliver thy servant into the hand of Ahab, to slay me?

10 *As* the LORD thy God liveth, there is no nation or kingdom, [*] whither my lord hath not sent to seek thee: and when they said, *He is* not *there;* he took an oath of the kingdom and nation, that they found thee not.

11 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.

12 And it shall come to pass, *as soon as* I am gone from thee, that [f] the Spirit of the LORD shall carry thee whither I know not; and so when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find thee, he shall slay me: but I thy servant fear the LORD from my youth.

13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the LORD, how I hid an hundred men of the LORD's prophets by fifty in a cave, [b] and fed them with bread and water?

14 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here:* and he shall slay me.

15 And Elijah said, *As* [d] the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, I will surely shew myself unto him to day.

16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to meet Elijah.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, *Art* thou he that [*] troubleth Israel?

18 And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, [d] in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.

19 Now therefore send, *and* gather to me all Israel unto mount [f] Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, [§] and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.

20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and [c] gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel.

21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, [f] How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD *be* God, follow him: but if Baal, [a] *then* follow him. And the people answered him not a word.

22 Then said Elijah unto the people, [b] I, *even* I only, remain a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets *are* four hundred and fifty men.

23 Let them therefore give us two bullocks; and let them choose one bullock for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under:* and I will dress the other bullock, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under:*

24 And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that [c] answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, [†] It is well spoken.

25 And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and dress *it* first: for ye *are* many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire *under*.

26 And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed *it*, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, [§] hear us. But *there was* [‖] no voice, nor any that answered. And they [*] leaped upon the altar which was made.

27 And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry [†] aloud: for he *is* a god; either [‡] he is talking, or he [§] is pursuing, or he is in a journey, *or* peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked.

28 And they cried aloud, and [*] cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till [‖] the blood gushed out upon them.

29 And it came to pass, when midday was past, [*] and they prophesied until the *time* of the [*] offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that *there was* neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any [†] that regarded.

30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. [a] And he repaired the altar of the LORD *that was* broken down.

31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, [a] Israel shall be thy name:

32 And with the stones he built an altar [c] in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

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[a] Ex. 17. 4. Ps. 99. 6. Mat. 21. 22.
[b] 2 Ki. 4. 34, 35.
[*] *measured.*
[c] ch. 21. 20. Jos. 7. 25. Ac. 16. 30.
[†] *into his inward parts*
[d] 2 Ch. 15. 2.
[e] He. 11. 26.
[f] Jos. 19. 26.
[g] ch. 16. 33.
[h] Jno. 3. 2. 16. 30.
[i] ch. 22. 6.
[k] Ec. 12. 10. 1 Th. 2. 13. 1 Jno. 2. 21.
[l] 2 Ki. 17. 41. Mat. 6. 24.
[‡] or, *thoughts*
[m] Lu. 4. 25. Ja. 5. 17.
[n] Jos. 24. 15.
[o] De. 28. 12.
[p] ch. 19. 1, 14. Ro. 11. 2.
[§] *Obadiahu.*
[‖] *over his house.*
[*] *Izebel.*
[r] ver. 38. 1 Ch. 21. 26.
[†] *The word is good.*
[‡] *that we cut not off ourselves from the beasts.*
[§] or, *answer.*
[s] Ps. 115. 5. Je. 10. 5. 1 Co. 8. 4. 12. 2.
[‖] or *heard.*
[*] or, *leaped up and down at the altar.*
[†] *with a great voice*
[‡] or, *he meditateth.*
[§] *hath a pursuit.*
[a] Ps. 10. 2. Je. 25. 20...23
[b] Le. 19. 28. De. 14. 1.
[‖] *poured out blood upon them.*
[a] 1 Co. 11. 4, 5.
[*] *ascending.*
[b] 2 Ki. 2. 16. Eze. 3. 12, 14 Mat. 4. 1. Ac. 8. 39.
[†] *attention.*
[c] ch. 19. 10.
[*] Ge. 32. 28. 35. 10. 2 Ki. 17. 34.
[b] Mat. 10. 41, 42. 25. 35.
[c] Col. 3. 17.
[d] Job 25. 3. Ps. 24. 8...10. Lu. 2. 13, 14.

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33 And he [a] put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid *him* on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and [d] pour *it* on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

34 And he said, Do *it* the second time. And they did *it* the second time. And he said, Do *it* the third time. And they did *it* the third time.

35 And the water † ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.

36 And it came to pass at *the time of* the offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD [g] God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, [h] let it be known this day that thou *art* God in Israel, and *that* I *am* thy servant, and *that* [m] I have done all these things at thy word.

37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou *art* the LORD God, and *that* thou hast turned their heart back again.

38 Then [p] the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that *was* in the trench.

39 And when all the people saw *it*, they fell on their faces: and they said, [r] The LORD, he *is* the God; the LORD, he *is* the God.

40 And Elijah said unto them, ‡ Take [s] the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and [t] slew them there.

41 ¶ And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for *there is* § a sound of abundance of rain.

42 So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; [u] and he cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees,

43 And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, *There is* nothing. And he said, Go again seven times.

44 And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, ‖ Prepare *thy chariot*, and get thee down, that the rain *stop* thee not.

45 And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel.

46 And the hand of the LORD was on Elijah; and he [i] girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab [v] to the entrance of Jezreel.

CHAP. XIX.

AND Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had [k] slain all the prophets with the sword.

2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, [m] So let the gods do *to me*, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by [p] to morrow about this time.

3 And when he saw *that*, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which *belongeth* to Judah, and left his servant there.

4 ¶ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested ‡ for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I *am* not better than my fathers.

5 And as [b] he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then [d] an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise *and* eat.

6 And he looked, and, behold, [e] *there was* a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his [v] head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.

7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise *and* eat; because the journey *is* too great for thee.

8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went [f] in the strength of that meat [k] forty days and forty nights unto [i] Horeb the mount of God.

9 ¶ And he came thither [l] unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the LORD *came* to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah?

10 And he said, [m] I have been very [o] jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and [p] slain thy prophets with the sword; and [q] I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

11 And he said, Go forth, and stand [m] upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, the LORD passed by, and [r] a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the LORD; *but* the LORD *was* not in the wind: and after the wind [s] an earthquake; *but* the LORD *was* not in the earthquake:

12 And after the earthquake a fire; *but* the LORD *was* not in the fire: and after the fire [m] a still small voice.

13 And it was *so*, when Elijah heard *it*, that [b] he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, *there came* a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah?

14 And he said, [d] I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

15 And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: [t] and when thou comest, anoint Hazael *to be* king over Syria:

16 And [f] Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint *to be* king over Israel: and [g] Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou anoint *to be* prophet in thy room.

17 And [i] it shall come to pass, *that* him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu [l] shall Elisha slay.

18 Yet † I [m] have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, [o] and every mouth which hath not kissed him.

19 ¶ So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who *was* plowing *with* twelve yoke *of oxen* before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, [r] Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and *then* I will follow thee. And he said unto him, ‡ Go back again: for what have I done to thee?

21 And he returned back from him, and

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[a] Le. 1. 6..8.
[b] Ge. 28. 11..15. Ps. 91. 1.
[c] Ju. 6. 20.
[d] Ps. 34. 7. 10. Da. 9. 21. Re. 1. 14.
[e] Ps. 37. 3. Is. 33. 16. Mat. 4. 11. 6. 33.
[v] *bolster.*
† *went.*
[f] 2 Co. 12. 9.
[g] Ex. 3. 6.
[h] Ex. 34. 26. De. 9. 9, 18. Mat. 4. 2.
[i] Ex. 3. 1.
[k] ch. 8. 43.
‡ 2 Ki. 19. 19. Ps. 83. 18.
[l] He. 11. 36.
[m] Nu. 16. 28.
[n] Ro. 11. 3.
[o] Nu. 25. 11, 13. Ps. 69. 9.
[p] Le. 9. 24. Ju. 6. 21. 1 Ch. 21. 26. 2 Ch. 7. 1.
[r] ch. 18. 4.
[s] ch. 18. 22. Ro. 11. 3.
[t] ver. 24.
[u] Ex. 24. 19.
[v] Eze. 1. 4. 37. 7.
‡ or, *apprehend.*
[w] 2 Ki. 10. 25.
[x] He. 12. 26.
[a] De. 13. 5. 18. 20.
§ or, *a sound of a noise of rain.*
[a] Ex. 34. 6. Job 4. 16.
[b] Ex. 3. 6. Is. 6. 2.
[c] Ja. 5. 17, 18.
[d] Is. 63. 1, 2, 7.
‖ *Tie, or, Bind.*
[e] 2 Ki. 8. 12, 13.
[f] 2 Ki. 9. 1..3.
[g] Lu. 4. 27, called *Eliseus.*
[h] 2 Ki. 4. 29. 9. 1.
[i] *till thou come to Jezreel.*
[k] 2 Ki. 13. 3.
[l] ch. 18. 40.
[i] Is. 11. 4. Je. 1. 10. Ho. 6. 5.
† or, *I will leave.*
[m] Ro. 11. 4.
[n] ch. 20. 10. Ru. 1. 17. 2 Ki. 6. 31.
[o] Ho. 13. 2.
[p] Ac. 12. 4..6. 23. 12. Ja. 4. 13, 14.
[r] Lu. 9. 61, 62.
‡ Nu. 11. 15. Jon. 4. 3, 8. Phi. 1. 21..24
‡ *Go, return.*
§ *for his life.*

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took a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and [a] boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and [b] ministered unto him.

CHAP. XX.

AND [d] Ben-hadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together: and *there were* thirty and two kings with him, and horses, and chariots: and he went up [e] and besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

2 And [f] he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel into the city, and said unto him, Thus saith Ben-hadad,

3 Thy [g] silver and thy gold *is* mine; thy wives also and thy children, *even* the goodliest, *are* mine.

4 And the king of Israel answered and said, My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I *am* thine, and all that I have.

5 And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, Although I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives, and thy children;

6 Yet I will send my servants unto thee to morrow about this time, [h] and they shall search thine house, and the houses of thy servants; and it shall be, *that* whatsoever is [*] pleasant in thine eyes, they shall put *it* in their hand, and take *it* away.

7 Then the king of Israel called all [i] the elders of the land, and said, Mark, I pray you, and see how this *man* [m] seeketh mischief: for he sent unto me for my wives, and for my children, and for my silver, and for my gold; and [‡] I denied him not.

8 And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hearken not *unto him*, nor consent.

9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lord the king, All that thou didst send for to thy servant at the first I will do: but this thing I may not do. And the messengers departed, and brought him word again.

10 And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said, [n] The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that [o] follow me.

11 And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell *him*, [p] Let not him that girdeth on *his harness* boast himself as he that putteth it off.

12 And it came to pass, when *Ben-hadad* heard this [†] message, as he *was* [q] drinking, he and the kings in the [‖] pavilions, that he said unto his servants, [§] Set *yourselves in array*. And they set *themselves in array* against the city.

13 [¶] And, behold, there [‖] came a prophet unto Ahab king of Israel, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, [r] I will deliver it into thine hand this day; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

14 And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, *Even* by the [†] young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall [‡] order the battle? And he answered, Thou.

15 Then he numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two hundred and thirty two: and after them he numbered all the people, *even* all the children of Israel, *being* seven thousand.

16 And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad *was* [s] drinking himself drunk

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[a] 2 Sa. 24. 22.
[b] Ac. 13. 5. 2 Ti. 4. 11. Philo. 13.
[c] 2 Ki. 14. 8. 13. Pr. 18. 12.
[d] 2 Ki. 8. 7. 10. 2 Ch. 16. 2. 4. Je. 49. 27. Am. 1. 4.
[e] Le. 26. 25. De. 28. 52.
[f] Is. 36. 2, &c. 37. 9, 10.
[g] Ex. 15. 9. Is. 10. 13, 14.
[h] 2 Ch. 25. 11. Pr. 20. 18.
[i] 2 Sa. 11. 1.
[k] 1 Sa. 13. 19. 21.
[*] *desirable.* Esr. 8. 27. Is. 44. 9. La. 1. 7, 10.
[l] Pr. 11. 7.
[m] Ps. 64. 3. 140. 2. Pr. 6. 14. Da. 6. 4. Ho. 3. 13. 18
[†] *that was fallen.*
[‡] *I kept not back from him.*
[n] Jos. 13. 4
[§] *to the war with Israel.*
[‖] or, *were victualled.*
[o] ch. 19. 2.
[•] are *at my feet.* Ex. 11. 8. Ju. 4. 10.
[p] 1 Sa. 17. 44. 47. Pr. 27. 1. Ec. 9. 11. Mat. 26. 33. 35. 75.
[q] ver. 13.
[†] *word.*
[r] ver. 16. 2 Sa. 13. 28. Pr. 31. 4, 5. Da. 5. 2, 30 Ho. 4. 11.
[‡] or, *tents.*
[§] or, *Place the engines: And they placed engines.*
[‖] *approached*
[¶] ver. 28.
[•] *into a chamber within a chamber,* or, *from chamber to chamber.* ch. 22. 25.
[†] or, *servant's*
[*] Ge. 37. 34
[‡] bind, or, *tie*
[s] ch. 16. 9. 1 Sa. 25. 36. Pr. 23. 20. 32 Ec. 10. 16, 17. Ep. 5. 18.

in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him.

17 And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out of Samaria.

18 And he said, [t] Whether they be come out for peace, take them alive; or whether they be come out for war, take them alive.

19 So these young men of the princes of the provinces came out of the city, and the army which followed them.

20 And they slew every one his man: and the Syrians fled; and Israel pursued them: and Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen.

21 And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter.

22 [¶] And the prophet came to the king of Israel, and said unto him, [u] Go, strengthen thyself, and mark, and see what thou doest: [v] for at the return of the year the king of Syria will come up against thee.

23 And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods *are* gods of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we; but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they.

24 And do this thing, Take the kings away, every man out of his place, and put captains in their rooms:

25 And number thee an army, like the army [†] that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and chariot for chariot: and we will fight against them in the plain, *and* surely we shall be stronger than they. And he hearkened unto their voice, and did so.

26 And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Ben-hadad numbered the Syrians, and went up to [w] Aphek, [§] to fight against Israel.

27 And the children of Israel were numbered, and [‡] were all present, and went against them: and the children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country.

28 [¶] And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus saith the LORD, Because the Syrians have said, The LORD *is* God of the hills, but he *is* not God of the vallies, therefore [x] will I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

29 And they pitched one over against the other seven days. And *so* it was, that in the seventh day the battle was joined: and the children of Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in one day.

30 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and *there* a wall fell upon twenty and seven thousand of the men *that were* left. And Ben-hadad fled, and came into the city, [•] into an inner chamber.

31 [¶] And his servants said unto him, Behold now, we have heard that the kings of the house of Israel *are* merciful kings: let us, I pray thee, [*] put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes upon our heads, and go out to the king of Israel: peradventure he will save thy life.

32 So they girded sackcloth on their loins, and *put* ropes on their heads, and came to the king of Israel, and said, Thy servant Ben-hadad saith, I pray thee, let me live. And he said, *Is* he yet alive? he *is* my brother.

[t] ver. 17.
[u] ver. 13.
[v] 2 Sa. 11. 1.
[w] ver. 30. Jos. 12. 18.
[§] or, *to battle.*
[‡] were *numbered.*
[x] ver. 13.
[•] *into a chamber within a chamber,* or, *from chamber to chamber.* ch. 22. 25.
[*] Ge. 37. 34

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33 Now the men did diligently observe whether *any thing would come* from him, [a] and did hastily catch *it:* and they said, Thy brother Ben-hadad. Then he said, Go ye, bring him. Then Ben-hadad came forth to him; [b] and he caused him to come up into the chariot.

34 And *Ben-hadad* said unto him, [c] The cities, which my father took from thy father, I will restore; and thou shalt make streets for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then *said Ahab,* I will send thee away with this covenant. [d] So he made a covenant with him, and sent him away.

35 ¶ And a certain man of [f] the sons of the prophets said unto his neighbour [g] in the word of the LORD, [h] Smite me, I pray thee. And the man refused to smite him.

36 Then said he unto him, Because thou hast not obeyed the voice of the LORD, behold, as soon as thou art departed from me, a lion shall slay thee. And as soon as he was departed from him, [i] a lion found him, and slew him.

37 Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man smote him, [†] so that in smiting he wounded *him.*

38 So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and disguised himself with ashes upon his face.

39 And [k] as the king passed by, he cried unto the king: and he said, [l] Thy servant went out into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man unto me, and said, Keep this man: if by any means he be missing, then [m] shall thy life be for his life, [n] or else thou shalt [‡] pay a talent of silver.

40 And as thy servant was busy here and there, [§] he was gone. And the king of Israel said unto him, [o] So *shall* thy judgment *be;* thyself hast decided *it.*

41 And he hasted, and took the ashes away from his face; and the king of Israel discerned him that he *was* of the prophets.

42 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [p] Because thou hast let go out of *thy* hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction, [q] therefore thy life shall go for his life, and thy people for his people.

43 And the king of Israel [r] went to his house heavy and displeased, and came to Samaria.

CHAP. XXI.

AND it came to pass [s] after these things, *that* Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which *was* in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

2 And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, Give me thy [t] vineyard, that I may have it for a garden of herbs, because it *is* near unto my house: and I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it; *or,* if it [‖] seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money.

3 And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, [u] that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee.

4 And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers. And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread.

5 ¶ But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread?

6 And he said unto her, [w] Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee *another* vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my vineyard.

7 And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, *and* eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: [x] I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.

8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed *them* with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that *were* in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

9 And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth [*] on high among the people:

10 And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst [y] blaspheme God and the king. And *then* carry him out, and [z] stone him, that he may die.

11 And the men of his city, *even* the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, *and* as it *was* written in the letters which she had sent unto them.

12 They [aa] proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

13 And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, *even* against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. [b] Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him with stones, that he died.

14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, [c] Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.

16 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

17 ¶ And [d] the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

18 Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, [e] which *is* in Samaria: behold, *he is* in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.

19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, [f] In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

20 And Ahab said to Elijah, [g] Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found *thee:* because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD.

21 Behold, [h] I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab [i] him that pisseth against the wall, and [k] him that is shut up and left in Israel,

22 And will make thine house like the house of [l] Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of [m] Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked *me* to anger, and made Israel to sin.

23 And [o] of Jezebel also spake the LORD,

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[a] Pr. 25. 13.
[b] 2 Ki. 10. 15. Ac. 8. 31.
[c] ch. 15. 20.
[d] Ec. 4. 1. 8. 4. Mi. 2. 1, 2. 7. 3.
[e] Is. 6. 12. 26. 10.
[f] 2 Ki. 2. 3, 5, 7, 15.
[g] ch. 13. 17, 18.
[*] *in the top of the people.*
[h] Is. 8. 18. 20. 2, 3. Je. 27. 2, 3. Eze. 4. 3.
[i] Ex. 22. 26. Le. 24. 15, 16. Ac. 6. 11.
[k] Le. 24. 14.
[l] ch. 13. 24.
[†] *smiting and wounding.*
[m] Is. 56. 4.
[n] 2 Sa. 12. 1, &c.
[o] Mar. 4. 34.
[p] 2 Ki. 9. 26.
[q] 2 Ki. 10. 24.
[r] Job 36. 18. Ps. 49. 7. Pr. 6. 35. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[‡] *weigh.*
[§] *he was not.*
[s] 2 Sa. 12. 5..7. Job 15. 6. Lu. 19. 22.
[t] Pr. 4. 17.
[u] ch. 22. 31..37. 18a. 15. 9, 11.
[x] 2 Ch. 18. 33, 34.
[y] Ps. 9. 12.
[z] Ex. 6. 12, 13. Job 5. 2. Pr. 19. 3.
[a] ch. 13. 32. 2 Ch. 22. 9.
[b] 2 Ch. 23. 22. Ezr. 9. 13, 14. Is. 9. 13. Je. 5. 3.
[c] Ex. 20. 17. 1 Sa. 8. 14. Je. 22. 17. Hab. 2. 9, 11. Lu. 12. 15. Ja. 1. 14, 15.
[d] ch. 22. 38.
[‖] *be good in thine eyes.*
[e] ch. 18. 17.
[f] 2 Ki. 17. 17. Ro. 6. 16. 7. 14.
[g] Le. 25. 23. Nu. 36. 7. Eze. 46. 18.
[h] ch. 14. 10.
[i] 2 Ki. 9. 8.
[k] 1 Sa. 25. 22.
[l] ch. 14. 10.
[m] ch. 15. 29.
[n] ch. 16. 3, 11.
[o] Pr. 14. 30. Ja. 4. 2..7.
[p] 2 Ki. 9. 36.

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saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the * wall of Jezreel.

24 Him [a] that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.

25 ¶ But [b] there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the LORD, [c] whom Jezebel his wife † stirred up.

26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all *things* [d] as did the Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and * put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and [e] went softly.

28 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

29 Seest thou how [f] Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, [g] I will not bring the evil in his days: *but* [g] in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.

CHAP. XXII.

AND they continued three years without war between Syria and Israel.

2 And it came to pass in the third year, that [a] Jehoshaphat the king of Judah came down to the king of Israel.

3 And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know ye that [b] Ramoth in Gilead *is* our's, and we *be* § still, *and* take it not out of the hand of the king of Syria?

4 And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Wilt thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead? And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, [c] I *am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, my horses as thy horses.

5 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

6 Then the king of Israel [d] gathered the prophets together about four hundred men, and said unto them, Shall I go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, [e] Go up; for the Lord shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.

7 And [f] Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might enquire of him?

8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: [g] but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.

9 Then the king of Israel called an † officer, and said, Hasten *hither* Micaiah the son of Imlah.

10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, [h] having put on their robes, in a ‖ void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them.

11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah [i] made him horns of iron: and he said, Thus saith [k] the LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians, until thou have consumed them.

12 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the king's hand.

13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets *declare* good unto the king with one mouth: let thy

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* or, *ditch.*
[a] ch. 14. 11.
[b] ch. 16. 30, &c
[c] Mar. 6. 17.. 25.
† or, *incited.*
[d] Ge. 15. 16. 2 Ki. 21. 11.
[e] Ge. 37. 34.
[f] Mat. 9. 36.
[g] Is. 38. 15.
[h] Ex. 10. 3. Ps. 66. 3. 78. 34. 37.
[i] Ps. 86. 15. Mi. 7. 18. Ro. 2. 4. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[k] Pr. 10. 24. 27. 22.
[l] 2 Ki. 9. 25.
[m] Is. 6. 1. Da. 7. 9.
[n] Job 1. 6. 2. 1. Ps. 103. 20, 21 Da. 7. 10. Zec. 1. 10. Mat. 18. 10. He. 1. 7, 14.
[o] 2 Ch. 18. 2, &c.
‡ or, *deceive.*
[p] Da. 4. 43.
§ *silent from taking it.*
[r] 2 Ki. 3. 7. Pr. 13. 20. 1 Co. 15. 33. 2 Co. 6. 16, 17. Ep. 5. 11.
[s] 2 Jno. 11.
[t] Ju. 9. 23. Job 12. 16. 2 Th. 2. 11.
[u] Eze. 14. 9.
[w] ch. 18. 19. Ese. 13. 3, &c Mat. 7. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 1..3. Re. 19. 20.
[x] 2 Ch. 18. 23.
[y] 2 Ki. 3. 11.
[z] Nu. 31. 8. 1e. 9. 14..16. Am. 7. 17. 2 Pe. 2. 1.
‖ or, *from chamber to chamber.*
* *a chamber in a chamber.* ch. 20. 30.
[a] Is. 49. 7. Mat. 10. 22 Jno. 3. 19..21 7. 7. 15. 18, 19. 17. 14. Ga. 4. 16.
† or, *eunuch.*
[b] Nu. 16. 29. De. 18. 20..22
[c] Ac. 12. 21. 25. 23.
‡ *floor.*
[d] 2 Co. 11. 13.. 15. 2 Ti. 3. 8.
[e] Je. 23. 25. 31. 29. 1..3. Mi. 3. 11.
§ or, *when he was to disguise himself.*
[f] 2 Ch. 35. 22.

word, I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak *that which is* good.

14 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak.

15 ¶ So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.

16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou tell me nothing but *that which* is true in the name of the LORD?

17 And he said, I saw all Israel [f] scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace.

18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, [g] Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy no good concerning me, but evil?

19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: [m] I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, [n] and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.

20 And the LORD said, Who shall ‡ persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.

21 And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade him.

22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, [o] Thou shalt persuade *him*, and prevail also: go forth, and do so.

23 Now [r] therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.

24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, [s] Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?

25 And Micaiah said, [t] Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt go ‖ into * an inner chamber to hide thyself.

26 And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

27 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I come in peace.

28 And Micaiah said, If thou return at all in peace, [u] the LORD hath not spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, O people, every one of you.

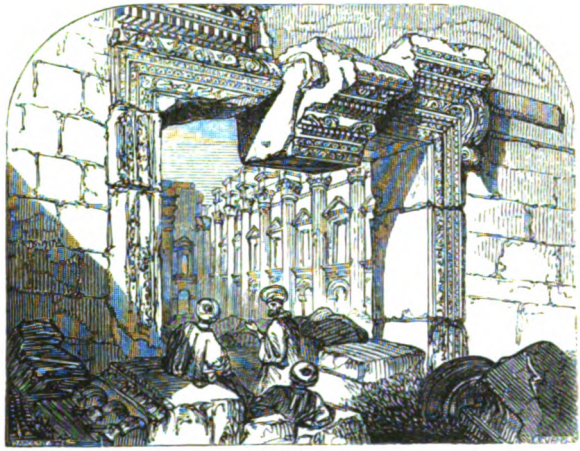
29 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

30 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, § I will disguise myself, and enter into the battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the king of Israel ‖ disguised himself, and went into the battle.

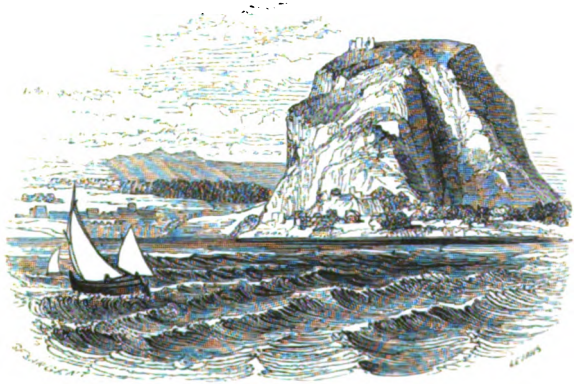
31 But the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that had rule over his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel.

32 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they

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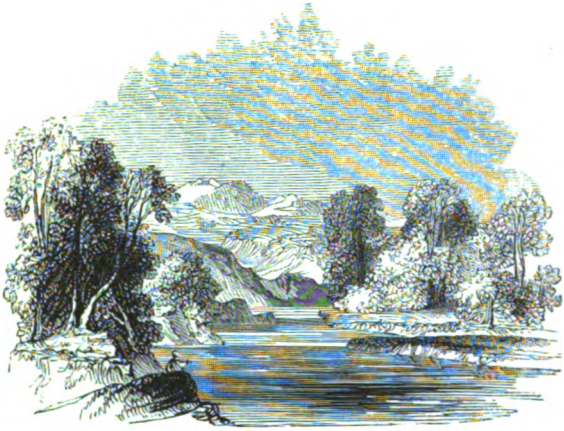


GATE AT BAALBECK.—*Cassas.*—1 Kings iv. 1.

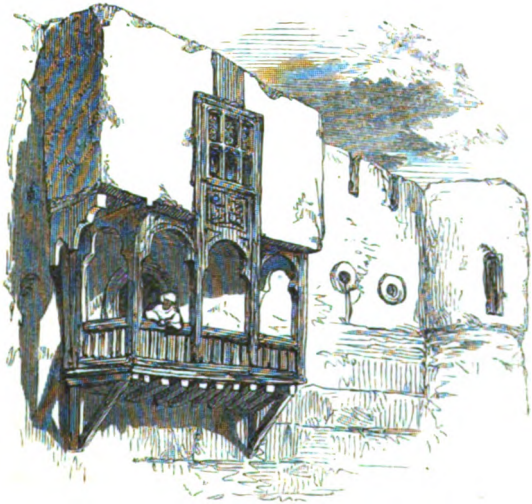


MOUNT CARMEL.—*Spon.*—1 Kings xviii. 19.

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RIVER JORDAN.— *Cassas.*—2 Kings ii. 13.



CHAMBER ON THE WALL,— *Original Sketch.*—2 Kings iv. 10.

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said, Surely it *is* the king of Israel. And they turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat [a] cried out.

33 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it *was* not the king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him.

34 And a *certain* man drew a bow [a] at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the [†] joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the driver of his chariot, Turn thine hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am [‡] wounded.

35 And the battle [§] increased that day: and the king was stayed up in his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound into the [‖] midst of the chariot.

36 And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country.

37 ¶ So the king died, and [†] was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria.

38 And *one* washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; [h] and the dogs licked up his blood; and they washed his armour; according [f] unto the word of the LORD which he spake.

39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and [k] the ivory house which he made, and all the cities that he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

40 So Ahab slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

41 ¶ And [a] Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.

42 Jehoshaphat *was* thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And

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[a] 2 Ch. 18. 31. Pr. 13. 20.
[b] 2 Ch. 17. 3.
[c] 2 Ki. 12. 3.
[d] *in his simplicity.* 2 Sa. 15. 11.
[e] 2 Ch. 19. 2. 2 Co. 6. 14.
[†] *joints and the breastplate.*
[‡] *made sick.*
[§] *ascended.*
[‖] *bosom.*
[a] Ge. 25. 23. 2 Sa. 8. 14. 2 Ki. 3. 9. 8. 20.
[a] or, had *ten ships.*
[f] 2 Ch. 20. 35, &c.
[g] Ps. 68. 7.
[†] *came.*
[h] Is. 44. 25, 26. 48. 3, 5. Je. 44. 21...23
[i] 2 Ch. 21. 1.
[j] ch. 21. 19.
[k] Am. 3. 15.
[l] Now he begins to reign alone ver. 40.
[m] ch. 15. 26.
[n] Mar. 6. 24.
[a] Began to reign alone ver. 51. 2 Ch. 20. 31.
[p] ch. 16. 31. Ju. 2. 11.
[q] De. 32. 21. Ps. 106. 29. Is. 65. 3.

his mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

43 And [a] he walked in all the ways of Asa his father; he turned not aside from it, doing *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD: nevertheless [a] the high places were not taken away; *for* the people offered and burnt incense yet in the high places.

44 And [d] Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.

45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he shewed, and how he warred, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

46 And the remnant of the sodomites, which remained in the days of his father Asa, he took out of the land.

47 *There* [a] *was* then no king in Edom: a deputy *was* king.

48 Jehoshaphat [a] made [f] ships of Tharshish to go to Ophir for gold: [g] but they went not; for the ships were broken at Ezion-geber.

49 Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto Jehoshaphat, Let my servants go with thy servants in the ships. But Jehoshaphat would not.

50 ¶ And [f] Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Jehoram his son reigned in his stead.

51 ¶ Ahaziah [l] the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two years over Israel.

52 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and [m] walked in the way of his father, and [n] in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin:

53 For [p] he served Baal, and worshipped him, and [q] provoked to anger the LORD God of Israel, according to all that his father had done.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

1 *Kin.* IX.—GATE AT BAALBEC. There are several names in Scripture which are supposed to be given to this place—Baal-Gad, Josh. xi. 17; xii. 7; xiii. 5; Baal-Hamon, mentioned in Solomon's Song (ch. viii. 11); and Baalath in the passage here illustrated, ver. 18. Baalath was a town in the tribe of Dan (Josh. xix. 44), apparently the same that was afterwards rebuilt by Solomon. Baal properly means 'lord.' Many idols bore this name, conjoined with other significant words, as Baal-Gad signifies 'lord of the army;' Baal-Hamon, 'lord of a multitude,' &c. Baalbec, in the Syrian language, signifies the city of Baal, or of the sun, which the Greeks translated into Heliopolis, signifying the same. Baalbec was once a city of grandeur and importance. It is now a world of ruins. Its inhabitants are few. A peaceful and pastoral people inhabit the surrounding country. The magnificent gate of which we have given a sketch is the entrance to the Temple of the Sun. It is constructed of marble, and the architrave is enriched with arabesque sculpture in high relief, and of exquisite workmanship. What lessons do we read in these magnificent ruins! "The world passeth away and the fashion thereof." The truly wise seek "a city which hath foundations, whose maker and builder is God."

CA. XVIII.—MOUNT CARMEL. This mount is part of a range of hills extending north-west from the plain of Esdraelon, and ending in a promontory, or cape, which forms the bay of Acre. The height is about 1500 feet. The mount consists of several connected hills, rather than one ridge. Respecting the fertility of Carmel, some assure us that it is no longer the Carmel of old, crowned with beauty; and others assert that it is covered with verdure. Kitto says that the spring visitors find the mountain covered with verdure, but the autumnal visitors find every thing 'parched, dry, and brown.'

2 *Kin.* II.—THE RIVER JORDAN. The Jordan is the principal river of Palestine. Its name signifies the river of Dan, because its rise was in the vicinity of the little city of Dan. Its true source is in two fountains at Paneas, a city better known by its subsequent name of Cæsarea Philippi, at the foot of Anti-Libanus. It flows due south, through the centre of the country, intersecting the sea of Galilee, and losing itself in the Dead Sea. The river is 100 miles in length, it is thirty yards broad, and varying in depth from four to nine feet. Tamarisks, oleanders, and willows, grow in abundance along its banks. The thickets would afford ample shelter for wild beasts. The superstitious bathe in this stream, carrying with them white robes for the purpose. But Christians need no such pilgrimage, who through faith wash their guilty souls in "the fountain opened for sin and for uncleanness."

CA. IV.—CHAMBER ON THE WALL. Some suppose that this was a little apartment built expressly for the prophet on the roof of the house, by carrying up the wall. The following quotation from Shaw may give us some more distinct idea on the subject:—'To most of the eastern houses there is a smaller one annexed, which sometimes rises one story higher than the house; at other times it consists of one or two rooms only, and a terrace; whilst others that are built, as they frequently are, over the porch or gateway, have, if we except the ground-floor, which they have not, all the conveniences that belong to the house properly so called. There is a door of communication from them into the gallery of the house, kept open or shut, at the discretion of the master of the family; besides another door which opens immediately from a privy-stairs (Luke xxiv. 17), down into the porch or street, without giving the least disturbance to the house. These rear houses are called Alee, or Oleah; and in them strangers are entertained, &c., and men retire for meditation or diversions.

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CHAP. I.

THEN Moab [b] rebelled against Israel [c] after the death of Ahab.

2 And Ahaziah fell down through a [d] lattice in his upper chamber that *was* in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, enquire of [e] Baal-zebub the god of [f] Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease.

3 But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, *Is it* not because *there* is not a God in Israel, *that* [g] ye go to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?

4 Now therefore thus saith the LORD, [†] Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.

5 ¶ And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them, Why are ye now turned back?

6 And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, *Is it* not because *there* is not a God in Israel, *that* thou sendest to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

7 And he said unto them, What manner of man *was he* which came up to meet you, and told you these words?

8 And they answered him, *He was* [m] an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins. And he said, It *is* Elijah the Tishbite.

9 Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he spake unto him, [n] Thou man of God, the king hath said, Come down.

10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I *be* a man of God, then [o] let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And [p] there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

11 Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, [q] O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly.

12 And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I *be* a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

13 ¶ And he sent [r] again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and [‖] fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, [s] be precious in thy sight.

14 Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight.

15 And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not [t] afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

16 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers [u] to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, *is it* not because *there is* no God in Israel to enquire of his word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

17 ¶ So he died according to the word of the LORD which Elijah had spoken. And [v] Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son.

18 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

CHAP. II.

AND it came to pass, when the LORD would [w] take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with [x] Elisha from Gilgal.

2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, [y] Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Beth-el. And Elisha said *unto him*, *As* the LORD liveth, and [z] *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Beth-el.

3 And [a] the sons of the prophets that *were* at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know *it*; hold ye your peace.

4 And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Jericho. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, [b] I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho.

5 And the sons of the prophets that *were* at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him, [c] Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he answered, Yea, I know *it*; hold [d] ye your peace.

6 And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here; for the LORD hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on.

7 And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood [§] to view afar off: and they two stood by Jordan.

8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped *it* together, and smote the waters, and they [e] were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground.

9 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.

10 And he said, [*] Thou hast asked a hard thing: *nevertheless*, if thou see me *when I am* taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be *so*.

11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, *there appeared* [f] a chariot of fire, and horses of

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[a] Ps. 27. 1. Is. 51. 12, 13. Je. 1. 17. 15. 20. Eze. 2. 6. Mat. 10. 28. 1 Pe. 3. 13.
[b] 2 Sa. 8. 2.
[c] ch. 3. 5.
[d] Ju. 5. 28. Ca. 2. 9.
[e] Mat. 10. 25. Mar. 3. 22. Lu. 11. 15. *Beelzebub.*
[f] 1 Sa. 5. 10.
[*] The second year that *Jehoram* was *Prorex*, and the eighteenth of *Jehoshaphat*, ch. 3. 1.
[g] Je. 2. 11. 13.
[†] *The bed whither thou art gone up, thou shalt not come down from it.*
[h] Ge. 5. 24. Lu. 9. 51.
[i] 1 Ki. 19. 21.
[k] Ru. 1. 15, 16. Jno. 6. 67, 68.
[l] 1 Sa. 1. 26.
[m] ch. 9. 1. 1 Ki. 20. 35.
[n] *What was the manner of the man?*
[m] Zec. 13. 4. Mat. 3. 4.
[o] Ac. 2. 42. 11. 23.
[p] Am. 7. 12.
[r] Jno. 17. 5..7. Ac. 1. 2. 20. 25. 2 Pe. 1. 13, 14.
[s] Ps. 105. 15. Lu. 9. 54.
[t] Ps. 105. 18. Re. 12. 5. 20. Re. 12. 5.
[u] Ec. 3. 7.
[v] Pr. 29. 12. Is. 32. 7.
[§] *in sight, or, over against.*
[w] Ex. 14. 21. Jos. 3. 16. Ps. 114. 5. Is. 11. 15. Ha. 11. 29.
[x] Pr. 27. 22. Ec. 9. 3.
[‖] *bowed.*
[*] *Thou hast done hard in asking.*
[z] 1 Sa. 25. 21.
[a] ch. 6. 17. Ps. 104. 4.

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fire, and parted them both asunder; and [b] Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

12 ¶ And Elisha saw *it*, and he cried, [c] My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.

13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the [e] bank of Jordan;

14 And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where *is* the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.

15 And when the sons of the prophets which *were* to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

16 ¶ And they said unto him, Behold now, there be with thy servants fifty ‡ strong men; let them go, we pray thee, and seek thy master: [h] lest peradventure the Spirit of the LORD hath taken him up, and cast him upon § some mountain, or into some valley. And he said, Ye shall not send.

17 And when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty men; and they sought three days, but found him not.

18 And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho,) he said unto them, Did I not say unto you, Go not?

19 ¶ And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city *is* pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water *is* naught, and the ground ‖ barren.

20 And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought *it* to him.

21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and [p] cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren *land*.

22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

23 ¶ And he went up from thence unto Beth-el: and as he was going up by the way, [r] there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, [s] and cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

25 And he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he returned to Samaria.

CHAP. III.

NOW [a] Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve years.

2 And he wrought evil in the sight of the LORD; but not like his father, and like his mother: for he put away the † image of Baal [c] that his father had made.

3 Nevertheless he cleaved unto [d] the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

4 ¶ And Mesha king of Moab was [e] a sheepmaster, [f] and rendered unto the king of Israel an hundred thousand [g] lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool.

5 But it came to pass, when [d] Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab rebelled against the king of Israel.

6 ¶ And king Jehoram went out of Samaria the same time, and numbered all Israel.

7 And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, The king of Moab hath rebelled against me: wilt thou go with me against Moab to battle? And he said, I will go up: [i] *I am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, *and* my horses as thy horses.

8 And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered, The way through the wilderness of Edom.

9 So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of Edom: and they fetched a compass of seven days' journey: and there was no water for the host, and for the cattle † that followed them.

10 And the king of Israel said, [k] Alas! that the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab!

11 But [l] Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD, that we may enquire of the LORD by him? And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, Here *is* Elisha the son of Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah.

12 And Jehoshaphat said, The word of the LORD is with him. So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom [k] went down to him.

13 And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, [l] What have I to do with thee? [m] get thee to [n] the prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of thy mother. And the king of Israel said unto him, Nay: for the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab.

14 And Elisha said, [o] *As* the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, surely, [r] were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, [s] I would not look toward thee, nor see thee.

15 But now bring me [t] a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.

16 And he said, Thus saith the LORD, [u] Make this valley full of ditches.

17 For thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; [v] yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.

18 And [x] this is *but* a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand.

19 And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and [y] mar every good piece of land with stones.

20 And it came to pass in the morning, when [z] the meat offering was offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water.

21 ¶ And when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to fight against them, they † gathered all that were able to § put on harmour, and upward, and stood in the border.

22 And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the water and the Moabites saw the water on the other side *as* red as blood:

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[a] 1 Ch. 18. 2. Ps.108.9,10. Lu. 24. 51. Ac. 1. 9. He. 11. 5. Re. 11. 12.
[e] Is. 16. 1.
[d] ch. 1. 1.
[e] ch. 13. 14.
[e] *lip.*
[f] 1 Ki. 22. 4.
† *at their feet* Ex. 11. 8. Ju. 4. 10.
‡ *sons of strength.*
[g] Ps.78.34,35. Pr. 19. 3. Is. 8. 21.
[h] 1 Ki. 18. 12. Eze. 3. 3. Ac. 8. 39.
§ *one of the mountains.*
[i] 1 Ki. 2. 23. 7.
[k] ch. 2. 25.
[l] Eze. 14. 3.
[m] Ju. 10. 14. Ru. 1. 15. Pr. 1. 28. Je. 2. 27,28.
[n] 1 Ki. 18. 19.
‖ *causing to miscarry.*
[o] 1 Ki. 17. 1.
[p] ch. 4. 41. 6. 6. Ex. 15. 25. Jno. 9. 6.
[r] 2Ch.17.3..9 19.3,4. Ps. 15. 4. Je. 1. 18. Da.5.17..23 Mat. 22. 16.
[s] 1 Sa. 10. 5.
[t] ch. 4. 3.
[u] Job 19. 18. 30.1,8..13. Ec. 11. 9. Is. 1. 4. 3. 5.
[v] Ps. 84. 6. 107. 35. Is. 43.19,20. 49. 21.
[x] La. 3. 65. Mar. 11. 14, 21. Ac.13.9..11.
[y] Je.32.17,27. Lu. 1. 37. Ep. 3. 20.
[z] *grieve.*
[a] ch. 1. 17.
[b] Ex.29.39,40.
† *were cried together.*
‡ *statue.*
§ *gird himself with a girdle.*
[c] 1 Ki. 16. 31, 32.
[d] 1 Ki. 12. 28, 31,32.
[e] Ge. 13. 2. 26.13,14. 2 Ch.26.10. Job 1. 3. 42. 12.

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23 And they said, This *is* blood: the kings are surely [a]slain, and they have smitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil.

24 And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up and smote the Moabites, so that they fled before them: but [†] they went forward smiting the Moabites, even in *their* country.

25 And they beat down the cities, and on every good piece of land cast every man his stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the wells of water, and felled all the good trees: [§]only in [b] Kir-haraseth left they the stones thereof; howbeit the slingers went about *it*, and smote it.

26 ¶ And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for him, he took with him seven hundred men that drew swords, to break through *even* unto the king of Edom: but they could not.

27 Then [c] he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his stead, [d] and offered him *for* a burnt offering upon the wall. And there was great indignation against Israel: [e] and they departed from him, and returned to *their own* land.

CHAP. IV.

NOW there cried a certain woman of the wives of [f] the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did [m] fear the LORD: and the creditor is come [n] to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.

2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.

3 Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, *even* empty vessels; [†] borrow not a few.

4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.

5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought *the vessels* to her; and she poured out.

6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, *There is* not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy [‖]debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

8 ¶ And [o] it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to [p] Shunem, where *was* a great woman; and she [†]constrained him to eat bread. And *so* it was, *that* as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread.

9 And she said unto her husband, Behold now, [q] I perceive that this *is* an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually.

10 Let [r] us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither.

11 And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and he turned into the chamber, and lay there.

12 And he said to Gehazi his servant. Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him.

13 And he said unto him, Say now unto her, [s] Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care; what *is* to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken *for* to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered, [t] I dwell among mine own people.

14 And he said, What then *is* to be done *for* her? And Gehazi answered, Verily [u] she hath no child, and her husband is old.

15 And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door.

16 And he said, [v] About this [‡]season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son. And she said, Nay, my lord, *thou* man of God, [w] do not lie unto thine handmaid.

17 And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life.

18 ¶ And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers.

19 And he said unto his father, [x] My head, my head. And he said to a lad, Carry him to his mother.

20 And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and *then* died.

21 And she went up, and laid him on the bed of the man of God, and shut *the door* upon him, and went out.

22 And she called unto her husband, and said, Send me, I pray thee, one of the young men, and one of the asses, [y] that I may run to the man of God and come again.

23 And he said, Wherefore wilt thou go to him to day? *it is* neither new moon, nor sabbath. And she said, *It shall be* [‖]well.

24 Then she saddled an ass, and said to her servant, Drive, and go forward; [z] slack not *thy* riding for me, except I bid thee.

25 So she went and came unto the man of God [a] to mount Carmel. And it came to pass, when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, Behold, *yonder is* that Shunammite:

26 Run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her, *Is it* well with thee? *is it* well with thy husband? *is it* well with the child? And she answered, *It is* well.

27 And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught [‡]him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said, Let her alone; for her soul *is* [§]vexed within her: and the LORD hath hid *it* from me, and hath not told me.

28 Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? [b] did I not say, Do not deceive me?

29 Then he said to Gehazi, [c] Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man, [d] salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and [e] lay my staff upon the face of the child.

30 And the mother of the child said, [f] *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And he arose, and followed her.

31 And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child; but *there was* neither voice, nor [‡]hearing. Wherefore he went again to meet him, and told him, saying, The child is [g] not awaked.

32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, *and* laid upon his bed.

33 He [h] went in therefore, and shut the

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[a] *destroyed.*
[a] Ro. 16. 2, 6. Phl.4. 18, 19. He. 6. 10.
[b] Ru. 1. 1...7. Ps. 37. 3. 1 Ti. 6. 6...8. He. 13. 5.
[†] or, *they smote in it even smiting.*
[c] Ge. 15. 2, 3. 17. 17. 18. 10...14. 1 Sa. 1. 2, 8. Lu. 1. 7.
[d] Ge. 18. 10, 14.
[e] *set time.*
[§] *until he left the stones thereof in Kir-haraseth.*
[e] Is. 16. 7, 11.
[f] ver. 38. Ps. 116. 11.
[g] Am. 2. 1.
[h] De. 12. 31. Ps. 106. 37, 38. Eze. 16. 20. Mi. 6. 7.
[i] Job 14. 1, 2. Ja. 4. 14.
[k] ch. 8. 20.
[l] 1 Ki. 20. 35.
[m] Ne. 7. 2. Ps. 112. 1, 2. 147. 11. Ec. 8. 12. Mal. 3. 16. Ac. 13. 26. He. 12. 28. Re. 15. 4.
[n] Le. 25. 39. Mat. 18. 25.
[o] Jno 11. 3. Ac. 9. 39.
[‖] *peace.*
[o] *restrain not for me to ride.*
[†] or, *scant not.*
[p] ch. 2. 25.
[‡] *by his feet.* Mat. 28. 9.
[§] *bitter.* 1 Sa. 1. 10.
[‖] *or, creditor*
[r] ver. 16.
[r] ch. 9. 1. 1 Ki. 18. 46.
[s] *there was a day.*
[t] Jos. 19. 18.
[u] Lu. 10. 4.
[†] *laid hold on him.*
[v] ch. 2. 8, 14. Ex. 7. 19. 14. 16. Ac. 19. 12.
[w] ch. 2. 2.
[x] Mat. 5. 16. 1 Th. 2. 10.
[y] Mat. 10. 41, 42. 25. 40. Lu. 8. 3. Ro. 12. 13. He. 13. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 9, 10.
[‡] *attention.*
[z] Jno. 11. 11.
[a] ver. 4. Mat. 6. 6.

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door upon them twain, [a] and prayed unto the LORD.

34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and [b] he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm.

35 Then he returned, and walked in the house [c] to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

36 And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shunammite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him, he said, [f] Take up thy son.

37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground, and [g] took up her son, and went out.

38 ¶ And Elisha came again to [h] Gilgal: and *there was* a [h] dearth in the land; and the sons of the prophets *were* [i] sitting before him: and he said unto his servant, Set on the great pot, and seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets.

39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred *them* into the pot of pottage: for they knew *them* not.

40 So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O *thou* man of God, *there is* [o] death in the pot. And they could not eat *thereof*.

41 But he said, Then bring meal. And [p] he cast *it* into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no [l] harm in the pot.

42 ¶ And there came a man from [q] Baal-shalisha, [r] and brought the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn [s] in the husk thereof. And he said, Give unto the people, that they may eat.

43 And his servitor said, [t] What, should I set this before an hundred men? He said again, Give the people, that they may eat: *for* thus saith the LORD, [u] They shall eat, and shall leave *thereof*.

44 So he set *it* before them, and they did eat, [v] and left *thereof*, according to the word of the LORD.

CHAP. V.

NOW [a] Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was [b] a great man [†] with his master, and [c] honourable, because by him the LORD had given [§] deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, *but he was* a leper.

2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she [‖] waited on Naaman's wife.

3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* [a] with the prophet that *is* in Samaria! for he would [†] recover him of his leprosy.

4 And *one* went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that *is* of the land of Israel.

5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and [b] took [§] with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand *pieces* of gold, and ten changes of raiment.

6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is

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[a] 1 Ki. 17. 20, 21.
[b] Ac. 20. 10.
[c] Ge. 30. 2. De. 32. 39. 1 Sa. 2. 6.
[d] 1 Ki. 20. 7. Lu. 11. 54.
[e] *once hither, and once thither.*
[e] Ex. 11. 8. Eze. 2. 5. Ro. 11. 13.
[f] ch. 8. 1, 5.
[g] He. 11. 35.
[h] ch. 2. 1.
[i] Jno. 9. 7.
[k] Ac. 11. 28.
[l] Lu. 11. 39.
[m] Ac. 22. 3.
[n] Pr. 13. 10. Mat. 8. 8.
[n] Pr. 3. 7. Is. 55. 8, 9. Jno. 4. 48. 1 Co. 1. 21, 25. 2. 14...16. 3. 18...20.
[†] *I said,* or, *I said with myself, He will surely come out, &c.*
[i] *move up and down.*
[§] or, *Amana.*
[o] Ex. 10. 17.
[p] Ex. 15. 25. Jno. 9. 6.
[r] Jno. 13. 8...10 Ac. 22. 16. He. 10. 22.
[‖] *evil thing.*
[l] 1 Sa. 9. 4.
[l] 1 Co. 9. 11.
[u] Ge. 6. 6.
[u] Job 33. 25.
[v] or, *in his scrip,* or, *garment.*
[v] Lu. 5. 13.
[w] Lu. 4. 13. Jno. 6. 9.
[x] Da. 2. 47.
[x] Lu. 9. 17.
[a] Ge. 33. 11.
[b] ch. 3. 14.
[c] Ge. 14. 23. Mat. 10. 8. Ac. 8. 18, 20.
[d] Mat. 15. 37.
[e] Lu. 4. 27.
[f] Ex. 11. 3.
[†] *before.*
[‡] *lifted up,* or, *accepted in countenance,* or, *gracious.*
[§] or, *victory.*
[‖] ch. 7. 2, 17.
[‖] *was before.*
[a] *before.*
[†] *gather in.*
[‡] *a little piece of ground.* Ge. 35. 16.
[b] Jno. 12. 6.
[i] Pr. 10. 3. Lu. 12. 15.
[k] 1 Sa. 9. 8.
[§] *in his hand.*
[‖] Is there *peace?*

come unto thee, behold, I have *therewith* sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, *Am* I [e] God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and [d] see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.

8 ¶ And it was *so*, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and [e] he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and [f] wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.

11 But [m] Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, [n] Behold, [†] I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and [i] strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper.

12 *Are* not [§] Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.

13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, *if* the prophet had bid thee *do some* great thing, wouldest thou not have done *it*? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, [r] Wash, and be clean?

14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and [u] his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and [v] he was clean.

15 ¶ And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* [p] no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take [a] a blessing of thy servant.

16 But he said, [b] As the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, [c] I will receive none. And he urged him to take *it*; but he refused.

17 And Naaman said, Shall there not then, I pray thee, be given to thy servant two mules' burden of earth? for thy servant will henceforth offer neither burnt offering nor sacrifice unto other gods, but unto the LORD.

18 In this thing the LORD pardon thy servant, *that* when my master goeth into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and [d] he leaneth on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon: when I bow down myself in the house of Rimmon, the LORD pardon thy servant in this thing.

19 And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he departed from him [‡] a little way.

20 ¶ But [t] Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, *as* the LORD liveth, I will run after him, and [i] take somewhat of him.

21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw *him* running after him, he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, ‖ *Is* all well?

22 And he said, All *is* well. My master

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hath sent me, saying, Behold, even now there be come to me from mount Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I pray thee, a talent of silver, and two changes of garments.

23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents. And he urged him, and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid *them* upon two of his servants; and they bare *them* before him.

24 And when he came to the † tower, he took *them* from their hand, and bestowed *them* in the house: and he let the men go, and they departed.

25 But he went in, [d] and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto him, Whence *comest thou*, Gehazi? And he said, [e] Thy servant went ‡ no whither.

26 And he said unto him, [f] Went not mine heart *with thee*, when the man turned again from his chariot to meet thee? *Is it* a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and oliveyards, and vineyards, and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants?

27 The leprosy therefore of Naaman [g] shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever. And he went out from his presence [h] a leper *as white* as snow.

CHAP. VI.

AND [m] the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us.

2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye.

3 And one said, Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants. And he answered, I will go.

4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood.

5 But as one was felling a beam, the ‖ ax head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for [r] it was borrowed.

6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And [s] he cut down a stick, and cast *it* in thither; and the iron did swim.

7 Therefore said he, Take *it* up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it.

8 ¶ Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and [t] took counsel with his servants, saying, In such and such a place *shall be* my † camp.

9 And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are come down.

10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.

11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us *is* for the king of Israel?

12 And one of his servants said, § None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that *is* in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber.

13 ¶ And he said, Go and spy where he *is*, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, *he is* in [x] Dothan.

14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a ‖ great host: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

15 And when the [y] servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, [z] Alas, my master! how shall we do?

16 And he answered, Fear not: for [a] they that *be* with us *are* more than they that *be* with them.

17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain *was* full of [b] horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And [c] he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

19 [d] And Elisha said unto them, This *is* not the way, neither *is* this the city: § follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria.

20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, LORD, [e] open the eyes of these *men*, that they may see. And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, *they were* in the midst of Samaria.

21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, [f] My father, shall I smite *them*? [g] shall I smite *them*?

22 And he answered, Thou shalt not smite *them*: wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set [h] bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master.

23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So [i] the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel.

24 ¶ And it came to pass after this, that Ben-hadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria.

25 And [k] there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was *sold* for fourscore *pieces* of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five *pieces* of silver.

26 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king.

27 And he said, [l] If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress?

28 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.

29 So [m] we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the † next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and [n] she hath hid her son.

30 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he [o] rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, *he had* sackcloth within upon his flesh.

31 Then he said, [p] God do so and more also to me, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat shall stand on him this day.

32 But Elisha sat in his house, and [q] the elders sat with him; and *the king* sent a man from before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, [r] See ye how this son of [s] a murderer hath

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* or, *minister*

[a] 2 Ch. 20. 12. Ps. 83. 5. Mar. 4. 40.

[b] 2 Ch. 32. 7. Ps. 55. 18. Is. 8. 10. Mat. 26. 53. Ro. 8. 31. 1 Jno. 4. 4.

† or, *secret place*.

[c] ch. 2. 11. Ps. 34. 7. 68. 17. 91. 11. Zec. 1. 8. 6. 1. 7. He. 1. 14.

[d] Pr. 30. 20. Eze. 33. 31.

[e] Pr. 12. 22. Ac. 5. 3, 4, 9.

‡ *not hither or thither*.

[f] Ge. 19. 11. Job 5. 14. Jno. 9. 39. 12. 40. Ac. 13. 11. Ro. 11. 7.

[g] 1 Co. 5. 3.

§ *come ye after me*.

[h] Lu. 24. 31.

[i] Jos. 7. 25. Ho. 10. 13. 1 Ti. 6. 10.

[k] ch. 15. 5. Ex. 4. 6. Nu. 12. 10.

[l] ch. 8. 9.

[m] ch. 5. 26.

[n] Lu. 9. 54. 56 22. 49.

[o] Pr. 25. 21, 22. Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 20. 1 Th. 5. 15.

[p] ver. 6, 9. ch. 5. 2.

‖ *iron*.

[r] Ps. 37. 21.

[s] Le. 26. 26. 1 Ki. 18. 2. Je. 14. 13. 15, 18. 52. 6.

[t] ch. 7. 21.

[u] 1 Ki. 20 23. Job 5. 12, 13. Pr. 21. 30. Is. 7. 5. 7. 8. 10.

• or, *Let not the LORD cause thee*.

† or, *encamping*.

[x] Le. 25. 29. De. 28. 53, 57

‡ *other*.

[y] 1 Ki. 3. 26. Is. 49. 15.

[z] 1 Ki. 21. 27.

§ *No*.

[a] Ru. 1. 17. 1 Ki. 19. 2.

[b] Ese. 8. 1. 20. 1.

[c] Ge. 37. 17.

‖ *Aramy*.

[d] 1 Ki. 18. 4.

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sent to take away mine head? look, when the messenger cometh, shut the door, and hold him fast at the door: *is* not the sound of his master's feet behind him?

33 And while he yet talked with them, behold, the messenger came down unto him: and he said, Behold, [b] this evil *is* of the LORD; what should I [c] wait for the LORD any longer?

CHAP. VII.

THEN Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD, [d] To morrow about this time *shall* a measure of fine flour *be sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.

2 Then [†] a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, Behold, [e] *if* the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see *it* with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.

3 ¶ And there were four leprous men [g] at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, Why sit we here until we die?

4 If we say, we will enter into the city, then the famine *is* in the city, and we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.

5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of the camp of Syria, behold, *there was* no man there.

6 For the LORD had made the host of the Syrians [m] to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, *even* the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us [n] the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us.

7 Wherefore they [r] arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it *was*, and fled for their life.

8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid *it*; and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence *also*, and went and hid *it*.

9 Then they said one to another, We do not well: [u] this day *is* a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the king's household.

10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, *there was* no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they *were*.

11 And he called the porters; and they told *it* to the king's house within.

12 ¶ And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we *be* hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall catch them alive, and get into the city.

13 And one of his servants answered and said, Let *some* take, I pray thee, five

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[a] *in it.*
[b] Je. 14. 18. Job 1. 11, 21. 2. 9, 10. Eze. 33. 10. Am. 3. 6.
[c] Ps. 27. 14. 37. 7, 9. 62. 5. Is. 8. 17. 26. 3. 50. 10. La. 3. 25, 26. Lu. 18. 1.
[d] ver. 18, 19. Re. 6. 6.
[e] Job 2. 4. Is. 2. 20, 21. 31. 7. Mat. 24. 16. 18. Phi. 3. 7. 9. He. 12. 1.
[†] *a lord which* belonged *to the king leaning upon his hand,* ch. 5. 18.
[f] ver. 1. Nu. 23. 19. 1 Sa. 15. 29. Is. 14. 24. 44. 26. Lu. 21. 33.
[g] Ge. 7. 11. Mal. 3. 10.
[h] Ju. 20. 43.
[i] Is. 25. 10.
[k] Mi. 7. 10.
[l] Lu. 13. 46.
[m] Nu. 20. 12. De. 31. 4, 5. Job 20. 23. Je. 17. 5, 6. He. 3. 18, 19.
[n] ch. 19. 7. 2 Sa. 5. 24. Job 15. 21.
[o] ch. 4. 35.
[p] 1 Ki. 10. 29.
[r] Ps. 105. 16. Je. 25. 29. Hag. 1. 11. Ac. 11. 28.
[s] Ps. 48. 4...6. 53. 5. Pr. 28. 1.
[t] Ru. 1. 6, 7.
[u] ch. 5. 27.
[w] Is. 41. 27. 52. 7. Na. 1. 15. Lu. 2. 10. Ro. 10. 15. Phi. 2. 4.
[‡] *we shall And punishment.*
[x] Pr. 16. 9. Mat. 10. 39. 30.
[§] or, *eunuch.*
[y] Pr. 21. 1.
[z] 1 Ki. 19. 15.
[a] ch. 5. 5. 1 Sa. 9. 7. 1 Ki. 14. 3.

of the horses that remain, which are left [o] in the city, (behold, they *are* as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it: behold, *I say,* [w] they *are* even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed:) and let us send and see.

14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see.

15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way *was* full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had [x] cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king.

16 And the people went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So a measure of fine flour was *sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, [y] according to the word of the LORD.

17 ¶ And the king appointed the lord on whose hand he leaned to have the charge of the gate: and [z] the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died, [a] as the man of God had said, who spake when the king came down to him.

18 And it came to pass as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, Two measures of barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria:

19 And that lord answered the man of God, and said, Now, behold, *if* the LORD should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.

20 And [i] so it fell out unto him: for the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died.

CHAP. VIII.

THEN spake Elisha unto the woman, [k] whose son he had restored to life, saying, Arise, and go thou and thine houshold, and sojourn wheresoever thou canst sojourn: for the LORD [l] hath called for a famine; and it shall also come upon the land seven years.

2 And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God: and she went with her houshold, and sojourned in the land of the Philistines seven years.

3 And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that [r] the woman returned out of the land of the Philistines: and she went forth to cry unto the king for her house and for her land.

4 And the king talked with [s] Gehazi the servant of the man of God, saying, Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that Elisha hath done.

5 And it came to pass, as he was telling the king how he had restored a dead body to life, that, behold, [t] the woman, whose son he had restored to life, cried to the king for her house and for her land. And Gehazi said, My lord, O king, this *is* the woman, and this *is* her son, whom Elisha restored to life.

6 And when the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king appointed unto her a certain [§] officer, saying, [u] Restore all that *was* her's, and all the fruits of the field since the day that she left the land, even until now.

7 ¶ And Elisha came to Damascus; and Ben-hadad the king of Syria was sick; and it was told him, saying, The man of God is come hither.

8 And the king said unto [y] Hazael, Take [z] a present in thine hand, and go, meet the

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man of God, and [a] enquire of the LORD by him, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present [o] with him, even of every good thing of Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came and stood before him, and said, Thy son Ben-hadad king of Syria hath sent me to thee, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?

10 And Elisha said unto him, Go, say unto him, Thou mayest certainly recover: howbeit the LORD hath shewed me that [d] he shall surely die.

11 And he settled his countenance [§] stedfastly, until he was ashamed: and the man of God [e] wept.

12 And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I know [f] the evil that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slay with the sword, and [k] wilt dash their children, and rip up their women with child.

13 And Hazael said, But what, [l] *is* thy servant a dog, that he should do this great thing? And Elisha answered, The LORD hath shewed me that thou *shalt be* king over Syria.

14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to him, What said Elisha to thee? And he answered, He told me *that* thou shouldest surely recover.

15 And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth, and dipped *it* in water, and spread *it* on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.

16 ¶ And in the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat *being* then king of Judah, [p] Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah [†] began to reign.

17 Thirty [r] and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for [t] the daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he did evil in the sight of the LORD.

19 Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for David his servant's sake, [x] as he promised him to give him alway a [‡] light, *and* to his children.

20 ¶ In his days [y] Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, [b] and made a king over themselves.

21 So Joram went over to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he rose by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him about, and the captains of the chariots: and the people fled into their tents.

22 Yet [§] Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. [c] Then Libnah revolted at the same time.

23 And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24 And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and [‖] Ahaziah [6] his son reigned in his stead.

25 ¶ In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign.

26 Two and twenty years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Athaliah, the [‡] daughter of Omri king of Israel.

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[a] ch. 1. 2.
[o] *in his hand.*
[b] ch. 9. 15.
[†] *wherewith the Syrians had wounded.*
[‡] Called *Ramoth*, ver. 28.
[c] ch. 9. 16.
[d] ver. 15.
[§] *and set it.*
[‖] *wounded.*
[e] Lu. 19. 41.
[f] ch. 10. 32. 12. 17. 13. 3, 7. Am. 1. 3.
[k] ch. 4. 29. Jo. 1. 17.
[l] ch. 1. 2. Mat. 8. 29.
[m] ch. 15. 16. Ho. 13. 16. Am. 1. 13.
[l] 1 Sa. 17. 43.
[m] ver. 5, 11.
[n] *chamber in a chamber.*
[o] 1 Ki. 19. 16.
[p] 2 Ch. 21. 3, 4.
[P] 2 Ch. 22. 7.
[†] *reigned.* Began to reign in consort with his father.
[r] 2 Ch. 21. 5, &c.
[s] 1 Ki. 18. 4. 21. 15.
[t] ver. 26.
[u] 1 Sa. 25. 22. 1 Ki. 14. 10. 21. 21.
[v] De. 32. 26.
[x] 2 Sa. 7. 13. 1 Ki. 11. 36. 15. 4. 2 Ch. 21. 7.
[‡] *candle*, or, *lamp.*
[y] 1 Ki. 15. 20.
[z] ch. 3. 27. Ge. 27. 40. 2 Ch 21. 8, 10.
[a] 1 Ki. 16. 3, 11.
[b] 1 Ki. 22. 47.
[c] 1 Ki. 21. 23.
[§] And so fulfilled Ge. 27. 40.
[d] Jo. 29. 26. Jno. 10. 20. Ac. 26. 24. 1 Co. 4. 10.
[e] 2 Ch. 21. 10.
[f] Mat. 21. 7.
[‖] Called *Azariah*, 2 Ch. 22. 6. and *Jehoahaz*, 2 Ch. 21. 17. 25. 23.
[6] 2 Ch. 22. 1, &c.
[n] *reigneth.*
[h] ch. 8. 29.
[†] *Jehoram.*
[‡] or, *granddaughter*, ver. 18.
[§] *smote.*

27 And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did evil in the sight of the LORD, as *did* the house of Ahab: for he *was* the son in law of the house of Ahab.

28 ¶ And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael king of Syria in Ramoth-gilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram.

29 And [h] king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds [†] which the Syrians had given him at [‡] Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. ¶ And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was [§] sick.

CHAP. IX.

AND Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him, [h] Gird up thy loins, and take this box of oil in thine hand, [i] and go to Ramoth-gilead:

2 And when thou comest thither, look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among [m] his brethren, and carry him to an [n] inner chamber;

3 Then [o] take the box of oil, and pour *it* on his head, and say, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel. Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not.

4 ¶ So the young man, *even* the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead.

5 And when he came, behold, the captains of the host *were* sitting; and he said, I have an errand to thee, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto which of all us? And he said, To thee, O captain.

6 And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head, and said unto him, [p] Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed thee king over the people of the LORD, *even* over Israel.

7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at [q] the hand of Jezebel.

8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and [u] I will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and [v] him that is shut up and left in Israel:

9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of [p] Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of [s] Baasha the son of Ahijah:

10 And [t] the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and *there shall be* none to bury *her*. And he opened the door, and fled.

11 ¶ Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and *one* said unto him, *Is* all well? wherefore came this mad *fellow* to thee? And he said unto them, Ye know the man, and his communication.

12 And they said, *It is* false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel.

13 Then they hasted, and [f] took every man his garment, and put *it* under him on the top of the stairs, and blew with trumpets, saying, Jehu [n] is king.

14 So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram had kept Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria.

15 But [h] king [†] Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians [§] had given him, when he

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fought with Hazael king of Syria.) And Jehu said, If it be your minds, *then* [o] let none go forth *nor* escape out of the city to go to tell *it* in Jezreel.

16 So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram.

17 And there stood [a] a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, Take an horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, *Is it* peace?

18 So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, Thus saith the king, *Is it* peace? And Jehu said, [b] What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me. And the watchman told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again.

19 Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and said, Thus saith the king, *Is it* peace? And Jehu answered, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me.

20 And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and cometh not again: and the ‖ driving *is* like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth ‖ furiously.

21 And Joram said, [o] Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And [b] Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and ‡ met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite.

22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, *Is it* peace, Jehu? And he answered, [c] What peace, so long as [n] the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts *are so* many?

23 And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, *There is* treachery, O Ahaziah.

24 And Jehu § drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram between his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he ‖ sunk down in his chariot.

25 Then said *Jehu* to Bidkar his captain, Take up, *and* cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, [r] the LORD laid this burden upon him;

26 Surely I have seen yesterday the †blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the LORD; and [s] I will requite thee in this ‡ plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take *and* cast him into the plat *of ground*, according to the word of the LORD.

27 ¶ But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw *this*, he fled by the way of the garden house. And Jehu followed after him, and said, Smite him also in the chariot. *And they did so* at the going up to Gur, which *is* by Ibleam. And he fled to [u] Megiddo, and died there.

28 And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the city of David.

29 And [v] in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah.

30 ¶ And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard *of it*; [x] and she § painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.

31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, [e] *Had* Zimri peace, who slew his master?

32 And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, [b] Who *is* on my side? who? And there looked out to him two *or* three †eunuchs.

33 And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and *some* of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: [d] and he trode her under foot.

34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed *woman*, and bury her: for [e] she *is* a king's daughter.

35 And they went to bury her: but [f] they found no more of her than the scull, and the feet, and the palms of *her* hands.

36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This *is* the word of the LORD, which he spake ‖ by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, [g] In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:

37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be [i] as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; *so* that they shall not say, This is Jezebel.

CHAP. X.

AND Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Ahab wrote letters, and sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to †them that brought up Ahab's *children*, saying,

2 Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons *are* with you, and *there are* with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour;

3 Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set *him* on his father's throne, [m] and fight for your master's house.

4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings stood not before him: [o] how then shall we stand?

5 And he that *was* over the house, and he that *was* over the city, the elders also, and the bringers up *of the children*, sent to Jehu, saying, [p] We *are* thy servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us; we will not make any king: do thou *that which is* good in thine eyes.

6 Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye *be* [o] mine, and *if* ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this time. Now the king's sons, *being* seventy persons, *were* with the great men of the city, which brought them up.

7 And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and [r] slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him *them* to Jezreel.

8 ¶ And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning.

9 And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Ye *be* righteous: behold, [s] I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these?

10 Know now that there shall [t] fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done *that* which he spake ‖ by his servant Elijah.

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[a] 1 Ki. 16. 9., 20.
[o] *let no escaper go, &c.*
[b] Ex. 32. 26. 1 Ch. 12. 18. Ps. 118. 6.
† *or, chamberlains.* Ac. 12. 20.
[c] 2 Sa. 13. 34. Is. 21. 6, &c. 62. 6. 7.
[d] Is. 25. 10. Mi. 7. 10. Mal. 4. 3.
[e] 1 Ki. 16. 31.
[f] Job 31. 3. Is. 14. 18., 20.
[g] Is. 48. 22. 59. 8. Je. 15. 3. Ro. 3. 17.
‡ *by the hand of.*
[h] 1 Ki. 21. 23.
[i] Ps. 83. 10.
§ *or, marching.*
‖ *in madness*
[o] *Bind.*
† *nourishers.*
[k] 2 Ch. 22. 7.
‡ *found.*
[l] Is. 57. 19., 21.
[m] 2 Sa. 2. 12., 17. 1 Ki. 12. 21. Joe. 18. 36.
[n] Na. 3. 4. Re. 2. 20., 23.
[o] Je. 49. 19. Na. 1. 6. Lu. 14. 31.
§ *filled his hand with a bow.*
[p] Jos. 9. 8, 11.
‖ *bowed.*
[o] *for me.*
[r] 1 Ki. 21 29.
† *bloods.*
[s] 1 Ki. 21. 19.
‡ *or, portion.*
[t] 1 Ki. 21. 21. Mar. 6. 27., 28.
[u] In the kingdom of *Samaria.* 2 Ch. 22. 9.
[v] Then he began to reign as viceroy to his father in his sickness, 2 Ch. 21. 18, 19. But in Joram's twelfth year he began to reign alone ch. 8. 25.
[x] ch. 9. 14., 24. Ho. 1. 4.
[y] 1 Sa. 3. 19. Is. 40. 8. Je. 44. 28., 29. Zec. 1. 6. Lu. 21. 33.
[z] Eze. 23. 40.
§ *put her eyes in painting.*
‖ *by the hand of.*

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11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his [a] kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

12 ¶ And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. *And as he was* at the [†] shearing house in the way,

13 Jehu [‡] met [a] with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who *are* ye? And they answered, We *are* the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down [§] to salute the children of the king and the children of the queen.

14 And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, *even* two and forty men; neither left he any of them.

15 ¶ And when he was departed thence, he [b] lighted on [c] Jehonadab the son of [d] Rechab *coming* to meet him: and he [‡] saluted him, and said to him, Is thine heart right, as my heart *is* with thy heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, [e] give *me* thine hand. And he gave *him* his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot.

16 And he said, Come with me, and see my [m] zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in his chariot.

17 And when he came to Samaria, [n] he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD, which he spake to Elijah.

18 ¶ And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, [o] Ahab served Baal a little; *but* Jehu shall serve him much.

19 Now therefore call unto me all the [p] prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice *to do* to Baal; whosoever shall be wantinghe shall not live. But Jehu did *it* in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal.

20 And Jehu said, [§] Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed *it*.

21 And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was [‖] full from one end to another.

22 And he said unto him that *was* over the vestry, Bring forth vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth vestments.

23 And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said unto the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants of the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only.

24 And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Jehu appointed fourscore men without, and said, *If* any of the men whom I have brought into your hands escape, *he that letteth him go*, [y] his life *shall be* for the life of him.

25 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, *and* slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with [†] the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast *them* out, and went to the city of the house of Baal.

26 And they brought forth the [§] images out [a] of the house of Baal, and burned them.

27 And they brake down the image of

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[a] Ezr. 6. 11. Da. 2. 5. 3. 29.
[a] or, acquaintance
[b] Ge. 20. 9. Ex. 32. 21. 1 Sa. 2. 24. Mat. 5. 19. 1Co.8.9..13.
[†] *shepherds binding sheep.*
[‡] 1 Ki. 12. 28, 29. Ho. 8. 5. 6. 10. 5. 13. 2.
[‡] *found.*
[d] ch. 8. 29. 2 Ch. 22. 8.
[§] *to the peace of, &c.*
[e] ch. 13. 1,10. 14. 23. 15.8..12
[‖] *observed not.*
[f] 1 Ki. 14. 16.
[e] *found.*
[g] Jo.35.6.&c.
[h] 1 Ch. 2. 55.
[†] *to cut off the ends.*
[‡] *blessed.*
[i] ch. 8. 12.
[§] *toward the rising of the sun.*
[k] Ezr. 10. 19.
[‖] or, *even to Gilead and Bashan.*
[l] Am 1. 3.
[m] 1 Ki. 19. 10
[n] ch. 9. 8. 2 Ch. 22. 8.
[o] *the days were.*
[p] 1 Ki. 18. 31, 32.
[P] ch. 8. 26. 2 Ch. 22. 10.
[r] 1 Ki. 22. 6.
[†] *seed of the kingdom.*
[s] 2 Ch. 22. 11, *Jehoshabeath.*
[‡] or, *Jeshash.*
[§] *Sanctify.*
[t] Ps. 12. 8. Mal. 3. 15.
[‖] or, *so full, that they stood mouth to mouth.*
[m] 2 Ch. 23. 1, &c.
[v] Ge. 30. 22. 1 Ki. 18. 10. Ne. 10. 29.
[x] 1 Ch. 9. 25.
[e] or, *from breaking up.*
[y] 1 Ki. 20. 39
[†] *hands, or, companies.*
[‡] *the mouth.*
[§] *statues.*
[a] 1 Ki. 14. 23.

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Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and [a] made it a draught house unto this day.

28 Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

29 ¶ Howbeit *from* the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who [b] made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, *to wit*, [c] the golden calves that *were* in Beth-el, and that *were* in Dan.

30 And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in executing *that which is* right in mine eyes, *and* hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that *was* in mine heart, [c] thy children of the fourth *generation* shall sit on the throne of Israel.

31 But Jehu [‖] took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from [f] the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.

32 ¶ In those days the LORD began [†] to cut Israel short: and [‡] Hazael smote them in all the coasts of Israel;

33 From Jordan [§] eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon, [‖] even [l] Gilead and Bashan.

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

35 And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead.

36 And [o] the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria *was* twenty and eight years.

CHAP. XI.

AND when [P] Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the [†] seed royal.

2 But [s] Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took [‡] Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons *which* were slain; and they hid him, *even* him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.

3 And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. [P] And Athaliah did reign over the land.

4 ¶ And [m] the seventh year Jehoiada sent and fetched the rulers over hundreds, with the captains and the guard, and brought them to him into the house of the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and [r] took an oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them the king's son.

5 And he commanded them, saying, This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you that enter in [n] on the sabbath shall even be keepers of the watch of the king's house;

6 And a third part *shall be* at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall ye keep the watch of the house, [o] that it be not broken down.

7 And two [†] parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they shall keep the watch of the house of the LORD about the king.

8 And ye shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand: and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in.

9 And the captains over the hundreds did according to all *things* that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men that were to come in

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on the sabbath, with them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.

10 And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king David's spears and shields, that *were* in the temple of the LORD.

11 And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king, from the right † corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, *along* by the [b] altar and the temple.

12 And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and [c] *gave him* the testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, ‡ God save the king.

13 ¶ And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard *and* of the people, she came *to* the people into the temple of the LORD.

14 And when she looked, behold, the king stood by [d] a pillar, as the manner *was* and the princes and the trumpeters by the king and [e] all the people of the land rejoiced and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason.

15 But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them, Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth her kill with the sword. For the priest had said, Let her not be slain in the [f] house of the LORD.

16 And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

17 ¶ And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and the people, [g] that they should be the LORD's people; [h] between the king also and the people.

18 And all the people of the land went into the [i] house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars and his images [m] brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed § officers over the house of the LORD.

19 And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And [p] he sat on the throne of the kings.

20 And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword *beside* the king's house.

21 Seven [q] years old *was* Jehoash when he began to reign.

CHAP. XII.

IN the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.

2 And Jehoash did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him.

3 But [r] the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places.

4 ¶ And Jehoash said to the priests, [s] All the money of the † dedicated things that is brought into the house of the LORD, *even* [t] the money of every one that passeth *the account*, § the money that every man is set at, *and* all the money that ‖ cometh [d] into any man's heart to bring into the house of the LORD,

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[e] *twentieth year and third year.*
[a] 2 Ch. 24. 5.
† *shoulder.*
[b] Ex. 40. 6.
[c] De. 17. 18. 20. Ps. 78. 5. Is. 8. 20.
‡ *Let the king live.* 1 Sa. 10. 24. 2 Sa. 16. 16.
[d] Lu. 21. 1.
[e] Je. 35. 4. 52. 24. Ps. 84. 10.
§ *threshold.*
[f] ch. 23. 3. 2 Ch. 34. 31.
[g] 1 Ki. 1. 39,40. Pr. 29. 2. Mar. 11. 9,10
‖ or, *secretary.*
[e] *bound up.*
[h] Exo. 9. 7.
† *brought it forth.*
‡ *went forth.*
[i] 2 Co. 6. 5.
[h] 2 Sa. 5. 3. Ro. 13. 1..7.
[i] ch. 10. 26.
[m] De. 12. 3. 2 Ch. 14. 3. 17.
§ *offices.*
[n] ch. 22. 7.
[o] Ne. 7. 2. Mat. 24. 45. Lu. 16. 1, 10 ..12. 1 Co. 4. 2, 3. 3 Jno. 5.
[p] Le. 5. 15, 18.
[r] Je. 17. 25. 22. 4, 30. Mat. 19. 28. 25. 31.
[s] Le. 7. 7. Nu. 18. 9.
[t] ch. 8. 12.
[u] 2 Ch. 24. 23.
[v] ch. 18. 15, 16. 1 Ki. 15. 18.
[x] 2 Ch. 24. 1, &c.
‖ *went up.*
[y] ch. 14. 4. 1 Ki. 15. 14. 22. 43.
[z] ch. 14. 5.
[a] ch. 22. 4.
[o] or, *Beth-millo.*
† *holinesses,* or, *holy things.*
[b] 2 Ch. 24. 26. *Zabad.*
[c] Ex. 30. 13.
‡ or, *Shimrith.*
§ *the money of the souls of his estimation.* Le. 27. 2.
‖ *ascendeth upon the heart of a man.*
[d] Ex. 35. 5. 1 Ch. 29. 9.

5 Let the priests take *it* to them, every man of his acquaintance: and let them repair the breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found.

6 But it was *so, that* in the [e] three and twentieth year of king Jehoash [a] the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house.

7 Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the *other* priests, and said unto them, Why repair ye not the breaches of the house? now therefore receive no *more* money of your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house.

8 And the priests consented to receive no *more* money of the people, neither to repair the breaches of the house.

9 But Jehoiada the priest took [d] a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the LORD: and [e] the priests that kept the § door put therein all the money *that was* brought into the house of the LORD.

10 And it was *so*, when they saw that *there was* much money in the chest, that the king's ‖ scribe and the high priest came up, and they [e] put up in bags, and told the money that was found in the house of the LORD.

11 And they gave the money, being told, into the hands of them that did the work, that had the oversight of the house of the LORD: and they † laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the house of the LORD,

12 And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that ‡ was laid out for the house to repair *it*.

13 Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money *that was* brought into the house of the LORD:

14 But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD.

15 Moreover [n] they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen: for [o] they dealt faithfully.

16 The [p] trespass money and sin money was not brought into the house of the LORD: [o] it was the priests'.

17 ¶ Then [r] Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against Gath, and took it: and [u] Hazael set his face to go up to Jerusalem.

18 And Jehoash king of Judah [v] took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold *that was* found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent *it* to Hazael king of Syria: and he ‖ went away from Jerusalem.

19 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

20 And [a] his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in [o] the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla.

21 For [b] Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of ‡ Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

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CHAP. XIII.

IN the * three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* seventeen years.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, and † followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

3 ¶ And [d] the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, all *their* days.

4 And Jehoahaz *f* besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him: for [h] he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them.

5 (And [i] the LORD gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents, § as beforetime.

6 Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, who made Israel sin, *but* * walked therein: [o] and there † remained the grove also in Samaria.)

7 Neither did he leave of the people to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, [p] and had made them like the dust by threshing.

8 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

9 And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and [r] Joash his son reigned in his stead.§

10 ¶ In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began ‖ Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* sixteen years.

11 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD; he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin: *but* he walked therein.

12 And [v] the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and [x] his might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

13 And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

14 ¶ Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, [b] the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.

15 And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and arrows.

16 And he said to the king of Israel, † Put thine hand upon the bow. And he put his hand *upon it:* and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.

17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened *it.* Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, [c] The arrow of the LORD's deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in [k] Aphek, till thou have consumed *them.*

18 And he said, Take the arrows. And he took *them.* And he said unto the king of Israel, [k] Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed.

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[a] Le. 10. 16. Nu. 16. 15. Mar. 3. 5. 10. 14.
* *twentieth year and third year.*
[b] ver. 25.
[c] Ac. 8. 2.
† *walked after.*
[d] Ju. 2. 14.
‡ *went down.*
[e] Is. 26. 19. Eze. 37. 1..10 Mat. 27. 52, 53. Jno. 5. 25, 28, Re. 11. 11.
[f] Ps. 78. 34.
[g] ch. 8. 12.
[h] Ex. 3. 7.
[i] ch. 14. 27.
[k] ch. 14. 25. 27
[l] Ex. 2. 24, 25.
[m] Ex. 32. 13.
§ *as yesterday,* and *third day.*
‖ *face.*
[n] Ps. 125. 3.
* *he walked.*
[o] 1 Ki. 16. 33.
† *stood.*
‡ *returned and took.*
[p] Am. 1. 3.
[r] ch. 13. 10.
[s] 2 Ch. 25. 1, &c.
[t] ver. 10, *Jehoash.*
§ Alone.
‖ In consort with his father, ch. 14. 1.
[u] ch. 12. 3.
[v] ch. 14. 15.
[x] ch. 14. 9, &c. 2 Ch. 25. 17, &c.
[y] ch. 12. 20. Ge. 9. 6. Ex. 21. 12.. 14. Nu. 35. 33.
[z] De. 24. 16. Eze. 18. 4, 20
[a] 2 Sa. 8. 13. Ps. 60, title.
* or, *the rock*
[b] ch. 2. 12.
[c] Jos. 15. 38.
[d] 2 Ch. 25. 17, 18, &c.
† *Make thine hand to ride.*
[e] Ju. 9. 8.
[f] 1 Ki. 4. 33.
[g] Ex. 4. 2, 17. Ju. 7. 9..20.
[h] 1 Ki. 20. 26.
[i] De. 8. 14. 2 Ch. 32. 25. Eze. 28. 2, 5, 17. Hab. 2. 4.
‡ *at thy house.*
[k] Is. 20. 2..4. Eze. 4. 1, &c. 5. 1..4.

19 And the man of God [a] was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed *it:* [b] whereas now thou shalt smite Syria *but* thrice.

20 ¶ And Elisha died, [c] and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band *of men;* and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man ‡ was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, [e] he revived, and stood up on his feet.

22 ¶ But [g] Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz.

23 And [i] the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and [l] had respect unto them, [m] because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them from his ‖ presence as yet.

24 So * Hazael king of Syria died; and Ben-hadad his son reigned in his stead.

25 And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz ‡ took again out of the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three times did Joash beat him, and recovered the cities of Israel.

CHAP. XIV.

IN [r] the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned [s] Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah.

2 He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, yet not like David his father: he did according to all things as Joash his father did.

4 Howbeit * the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burn incense on the high places.

5 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew his servants which [y] had slain the king his father.

6 But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, [z] The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

7 He slew of Edom in * the valley of salt ten thousand, and took * Selah by war, [a] and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.

8 ¶ Then [d] Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face.

9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, [e] The thistle that *was* in Lebanon sent to the [f] cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.

10 Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and [i] thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory *of this,* and tarry ‡ at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to *thy* hurt, that thou shouldest fall, *even* thou, and Judah with thee?

11 But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel went up; and

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he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at [c] Beth-shemesh, which *belongeth* to Judah.

12 And Judah was [d] put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to their tents.

13 And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from [e] the gate of Ephraim unto [f] the corner gate, four hundred cubits.

14 And he took all [h] the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and hostages, and returned to Samaria.

15 ¶ Now [i] the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

16 And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.

17 ¶ And [m] Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

19 Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to [o] Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there.

20 And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David.

21 ¶ And all the people of Judah took [r] Azariah, which *was* sixteen years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah.

22 He built [t] Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

23 ¶ In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel [v] began to reign in Samaria, *and reigned* forty and one years.

24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

25 He restored the coast of Israel [y] from the entering of Hamath unto [z] the sea of the plain, according to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant [a] Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which *was* of [b] Gath-hepher.

26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, *that it was* very bitter: for [d] *there was* not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.

27 And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven: but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.

28 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, [f] *which belonged* to Judah, for Israel, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

29 And Jeroboam slept with his fathers, *even* with the kings of Israel; and [h] Zachariah his son reigned in his stead.

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[a] Jos. 19. 38.
[b] This is the twenty-seventh year of Jeroboam's partnership in the kingdom with his father, who made him consort at his going to the Syrian wars. It is the sixteenth year of Jeroboam's monarchy.
[c] ch. 14. 21.
[d] Called *Uzziah*, ver. 13, 30, &c
[e] *smitten.*
[e] No. 8. 16.
[f] Je. 31. 38. Zec. 14. 10.
[g] ch. 12. 3.
[h] 1 Ki. 7. 51.
[i] 2 Ch. 25. 19.. 21.
[k] Le. 13. 46.
[l] ch. 13. 12.
[m] 2 Ch. 25. 25, &c.
[n] There having been an interregnum for eleven years.
[o] Jos. 10. 31.
[p] As prophesied, Am. 7. 9.
[r] ch. 15. 13. 2 Ch. 26. 1, he is called *Uzziah.*
[t] ch. 10. 30.
[t] ch. 16. 6.
[v] Mat. 1. 6, 9, called *Osias*, ver. 1, *Azariah.*
[v] Now he begins to reign alone
† a *month of days.*
[x] 1 Ki. 14. 17.
[y] Nu. 13. 21. 34. 8.
[z] De. 3. 17.
[a] Jon. 1. 1. Mat. 12. 39, called *Jonas.*
[b] Jos. 19. 13.
[c] ch. 8. 12.
[d] De. 32. 36.
[e] 1 Ch. 5. 26. Is. 9. 1. Ho. 8. 9.
[f] 2 Sa. 8. 6. 1 Ki. 11. 24.
[g] ch. 14. 5.
[h] After an interregnum of eleven years, ch. 15. 8.
‡ *caused to come forth.*

CHAP. XV.

IN the [b] twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel [c] began [d] Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign.

2 Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jecholiah of Jerusalem.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done;

4 Save [g] that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.

5 ¶ And the LORD [i] smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and [k] dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son *was* over the house, judging the people of the land.

6 And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

7 So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

8 ¶ In the [m] thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months.

9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

10 And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and [p] smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

11 And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

12 This *was* [q] the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying, Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth *generation*. And so it came to pass.

13 ¶ Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of [m] Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned † a full month in Samaria.

14 For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from [n] Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

15 And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

16 ¶ Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and all that *were* therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not *to him*, therefore he smote *it*; *and* all [r] the women therein that were with child he ripped up.

17 In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, *and reigned* ten years in Samaria.

18 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

19 *And* [s] Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to [t] confirm the kingdom in his hand.

20 And Menahem ‡ exacted the money of Israel, *even* of all the mighty men of

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wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not there in the land.

21 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

22 And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.

23 ¶ In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [d] *and reigned* two years.

24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

25 But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room.

26 And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

27 ¶ In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah [e] Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* twenty years.

28 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

29 In the days of Pekah king of Israel [f] came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took [m] Ijon, and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, [g] and carried them captive to Assyria.

30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and [p] reigned in his stead, [r] in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

31 And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

32 ¶ In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began [s] Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.

33 Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jerusha, the daughter of Zadok.

34 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done.

35 ¶ Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.

36 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

37 In those days the LORD began to send against Judah [t] Rezin the king of Syria, and [p] Pekah the son of Remaliah.

38 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XVI.

IN the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah [u] Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.

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[a] Le. 18. 21. Ps. 106. 37, 38. Je. 32. 35. Eze. 16. 21. 20. 26, 31.
[b] De. 12. 31.
[c] De. 12. 2. 1 Ki. 14. 23. Is. 57. 5, 7. Je. 17. 1, 2.
[d] Job 20. 4, 5.
[e] ch. 14. 22.
[*] *Elath.*
[f] ch. 15. 29.
[†] *Tilgath-pileser.* 1 Ch. 5. 26. 2 Ch. 28. 20. *Tilgath-pilneser.*
[g] Ps. 146. 3...5. Je. 17. 5. Ho. 14. 3.
[h] ch. 12. 18. 2 Ch. 28. 21.
[i] Is. 7. 1.
[‡] *Damascus.*
[k] Foretold, Am. 1. 5.
[l] Is. 9. 1.
[m] 1 Ki. 15. 20.
[n] De. 12. 30. Je. 10. 2. Ro. 1. 23.
[o] Le. 26. 32, 36, 39. De. 4. 26, 27, 28. 28. 63 ...65. Is. 1. 7. 7. 20.
[p] After an anarchy for some years, ch. 17. 1. Ho. 10. 3, 7, 15.
[r] In the fourth year of Ahaz, in the twentieth year after Jotham had begun to reign: *Usher.*
[s] 2 Ch. 26. 16, 19.
[t] 2 Ch. 27. 1, &c.
[§] *which were hot.*
[u] 2 Ch. 4. 1.
[v] Ex. 29. 39, 41.
[x] At the end of Jotham's reign, ch. 16. 5. Is. 7. 1.
[y] ver. 27.
[z] 2 Ch. 28. 24.
[a] 1 Ki. 7. 27, 38.
[b] Je. 52. 20.
[c] 2 Ch. 28. 1, &c. Ho. 1. 1. Mi. 1. 1.

2 Twenty years old *was* Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.

3 But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, [a] and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the [b] abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.

4 And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and [c] on the hills, and under every green tree.

5 ¶ Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome *him*.

6 At that time Rezin king of Syria [*] recovered Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from [*] Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.

7 So Ahaz sent messengers [†] to [†]Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I *am* thy servant and thy son: come up, [‡] and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.

8 And Ahaz [k] took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent *it for* a present to the king of Assyria.

9 And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against [‡] Damascus, and [k] took it, and carried *the people of* it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

10 ¶ And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw an altar that *was* at Damascus: [n] and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof.

11 And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made *it* against king Ahaz came from Damascus.

12 And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and [o] the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon.

13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of [§] his peace offerings, upon the altar.

14 And he brought also [u] the brasen altar, which *was* before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar.

15 And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn [v] the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire *by*.

16 Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.

17 ¶ And [x] king Ahaz cut off [y] the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down [z] the sea from off the brasen oxen that *were* under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones.

18 And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's

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entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.

19 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

20 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XVII.

IN the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began [g] Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel nine years.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, but not as the kings of Israel that were before him.

3 ¶ Against him came up [h] Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and [i] gave him [k] presents.

4 And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as *he had done* year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison.

5 ¶ Then [l] the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.

6 ¶ In [m] the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and [n] carried Israel away into Assyria, [o] and placed them in Halah and in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

7 For *so* it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods,

8 And [p] walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made.

9 And the children of Israel did secretly *those* things that *were* not right against the LORD their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, [q] from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

10 And [r] they set them up [s] images and [t] groves [u] in every high hill, and under every green tree:

11 And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as *did* the heathen whom the LORD carried away before them; and wrought wicked things to provoke the LORD to anger:

12 For they served idols, [v] whereof the LORD had said unto them, [w] Ye shall not do this thing.

13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, [§] by all the prophets, *and by* all [x] the seers, saying, [y] Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments *and* my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets.

14 Notwithstanding they would not hear, but [z] hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.

15 And they rejected his statutes, [a] and his covenant that he made with their fathers, and his testimonies which he testified against them; and they followed [b] vanity, and [c] became vain, and went after the heathen that *were* round about them, *concerning* whom the LORD had charged them, that they should [d] not do like them.

16 And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and [e] made them molten images, *even* two calves, [f] and made a grove, and [g] worshipped all the host of heaven, [h] and served Baal.

17 And [i] they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and [k] used divination and enchantments, and [l] sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight: there was none left [A] but the tribe of Judah only.

19 Also [i] Judah kept not the commandments of the LORD their God, but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made.

20 And [l] the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and [m] delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight.

21 For he rent Israel from the house of David; and [n] they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin.

22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them;

23 Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, [o] as he had said by all his servants the prophets. [p] So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.

24 ¶ And [q] the king of Assyria brought *men* [r] from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from [s] Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.

25 And so it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, *that* [t] they feared not the LORD: therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew *some* of them.

26 Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the manner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, [u] because they know not the manner of the God of the land.

27 Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry thither one of the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land.

28 Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in Beth-el, and taught them how they should fear the LORD.

29 Howbeit every nation [i] made gods of their own, and put *them* in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.

30 And the men of Babylon made Succoth-benoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima,

31 And [v] the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites [w] burnt their children in fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim.

32 So they feared the LORD, [x] and made unto themselves of the lowest of them priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.

33 They [y] feared the LORD, and served

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[g] Ex. 32. 8. 1 Ki. 12. 28.
[h] 1 Ki. 14. 15, 23. 15. 13. 16. 33.
[i] ch. 11. 18. 1 Ki. 22. 53.
[k] ch. 16. 3. Le. 18. 21. Eze. 23. 37.
[l] De. 18. 10.
[m] 1 Ki. 21. 20.
[§] After an interrogation. ch. 15. 30.
[A] 1 Ki. 11. 13, 32.
[n] Je. 3. 8.
[o] ch. 18. 9.
[p] Ro. 11. 1, 2.
[q] *rendered.* 2 Sa. 8. 2.
[r] or, *tribute.* ch. 13. 3. 15. 19.
[s] 1 Ki. 12. 20, 28.
[t] ch. 18. 9.
[u] ch. 18. 10,11. Ho. 13. 16, foretold.
[v] Le. 26. 32, 33. De. 28. 36, 64 29. 27, 28
[w] 1 Ki. 14. 16.
[x] 1 Ch. 5. 26.
[y] ver. 6.
[z] Ezr. 3. 2, 10.
[a] ver. 30.
[b] ch. 18. 34, *Ivah.*
[c] ch. 16. 3. Le. 18. 3. De. 18. 9.
[d] Jos. 22. 25. Je. 10. 7. Da. 6. 26. Jon. 1. 9.
[e] ch. 18. 8.
[f] 1 Ki. 14. 23. Is. 57. 5.
[g] *statues.*
[h] Ex. 34. 13. De. 16. 21. Mi. 5. 14.
[i] ch. 16. 4. De. 12. 2.
[k] Am. 3. 13, 14
[l] Ex. 20. 3, 4. Le. 26. 1. De. 5. 7, 8.
[m] De. 4. 19.
[§] *by the hand of all.*
[n] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[o] Je. 18. 11. 25. 5. 35. 15.
[p] Ps. 115. 4...8. 135. 15...18 Is. 44. 9...20. Ho. 8. 5, 6. Ro. 1. 22, 23.
[q] De. 31. 27. Pr. 29. 1.
[r] Ezr. 4. 9.
[s] De 29. 25.
[t] Le. 18. 21. De. 12. 31.
[u] De. 32. 21. 1 Ki. 16. 13. 1 Co. 8. 4.
[v] 1 Ki. 12. 31.
[w] Ps. 115. 8. Ro. 1. 21.
[x] De. 12. 30, 31
[y] Zep. 1. 5.

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their own gods, after the manner of the nations * whom they carried away from thence.

34 Unto this day they do after the former manners: they fear not the LORD, neither do they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law and commandment which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel;

35 With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, [c] Ye shall not fear other gods, nor [d] bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:

36 But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and [e] a stretched out arm, [f] him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

37 And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he wrote for you, [g] ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.

38 And the covenant that I have made with you [h] ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.

39 But [m] the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.

40 Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner.

41 So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven images, both their children, and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.

CHAP. XVIII.

NOW it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* [o] Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.

2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* [r] Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father did.

4 ¶ He [s] removed the high places, and brake the ‖ images, and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces the [u] brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it * Nehushtan.

5 He [v] trusted in the LORD God of Israel; [y] so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor *any* that were before him.

6 For he [z] clave to the LORD, *and* departed not [†] from following him, but kept his commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses.

7 And the LORD [b] was with him; *and* he [c] prospered whithersoever he went forth: and he [d] rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not.

8 He [e] smote the Philistines, *even* unto § Gaza, and the borders thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

9 ¶ And [i] it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which *was* the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it.

10 And at the end of three years they took it: *even* in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that *is* the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken.

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* or, *who carried them away from thence.*
[a] 1 Ch. 5. 26. [b] Da. 9. 6, 10. 2 Th. 1. 8. 1 Pe. 2. 8. 4. 17.
[c] Ge. 32. 28. 35. 10.
[d] 2 Ch. 32. 1, &c. Is. 36. 1, &c.
[e] Ju. 6. 10.
† *Sanherib.*
[f] Ex. 20. 5.
[g] Lu. 14. 32.
[h] Ex. 6. 6.
[i] De. 10. 20.
[j] ch. 16. 8.
[k] De. 5. 32.
[l] De. 4. 23.
[m] Mat. 10. 28. Lu. 1. 50.
‡ *them.*
§ *heavy.*
[n] Is. 7. 3.
[o] 2 Ch. 28. 27. 29. 1. He is called *Ezekias*, Mat. 1. 9.
‖ or, *secretary.*
[p] 2 Ch. 32. 10, &c. Ps. 4. 2, 3.
[r] 2 Ch. 29. 1, *Abijah.*
* or, *talkest.*
† *word of the lips.*
‡ or, *But counsel and strength are for the war.*
[s] 2 Ch. 31. 1.
[t] Eze. 29. 6, 7.
§ *trustest thee.*
‖ *statues.*
[u] Nu. 21. 9.
* i. e. *a piece of brass.*
[v] ch. 19. 10. Job 13. 15. Ps. 13. 5. Je. 17. 7, 8. Mat. 27. 43. Ep. 1. 12, 13.
[x] ver. 4. 2 Ch. 31. 1. 32. 12. 1 Co. 2. 15.
[y] ch. 23. 25.
[z] De. 10. 20. Jos. 23. 8. Ac. 11. 23.
† *from after him.*
‡ or, *hostages*
[a] Ne. 4. 2, 5. Ps. 123. 3, 4.
[b] 2 Ch. 15. 2.
[c] 1Sa. 18. 5, 14. Ps. 60. 12.
[d] ch. 16. 7.
[e] 1 Ch. 4. 41. Is. 14. 29.
[f] De. 17. 16. Is. 31. 1, 3.
§ *Azzah.*
[g] Ps. 20. 7, 8.
[h] Jno. 19. 10, 11
[i] ch. 17. 3, &c.

11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them [a] in Halah and in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:

12 Because [b] they obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but transgressed his covenant, *and* all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear *them*, nor do *them*.

13 ¶ Now [d] in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did † Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took them.

14 And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, [§] I have offended; return from me: that which thou puttest on me will I bear. And the king of Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold.

15 And Hezekiah [g] gave *him* all the silver that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house.

16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off *the gold from* the doors of the temple of the LORD, and *from* the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave ‡ it to the king of Assyria.

17 ¶ And the king of Assyria sent Tartan and Rabsaris and Rab-shakeh from Lachish to king Hezekiah with a § great host against Jerusalem. And they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, [n] which *is* in the highway of the fuller's field.

18 And when they had called to the king, there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the ‖ scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder.

19 And Rab-shakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, [p] What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?

20 Thou * sayest, (but *they are but* † vain words,) I *have* counsel and strength for the war. Now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?

21 Now, [r] behold, thou § trustest upon the staff of this bruised reed, *even* upon Egypt, on which if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt unto all that trust on him.

22 But if ye say unto me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is* not that he, [x] whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem?

23 Now therefore, I pray thee, give ‡ pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, [a] and I will deliver thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

24 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, [f] and put thy trust on Egypt for [§] chariots and for horsemen?

25 Am I now come up [h] without the LORD against this place to destroy it? The LORD said to me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

26 Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rab-shakeh, Speak, I pray thee, to thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it*: and talk not with us in the Jews' language in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.

27 But Rab-shakeh said unto them,

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Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? *hath he* not *sent me* to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink * their own piss with you?

28 Then Rab-shakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake, saying, Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria:

29 Thus saith the king, [b] Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you out of his hand:

30 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, †Make *an agreement* with me by a present, and come out to me, and *then* eat ye every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his ‖ cistern:

32 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, [c] a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he § persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver us.

33 Hath [d] any of the gods of the nations delivered at all his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

34 Where [h] *are* the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and [i] Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand?

35 Who *are* they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their country out of mine hand, [m] that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand?

36 But [p] the people held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not.

37 Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah [r] with *their* clothes rent, and told him the words of Rab-shakeh.

CHAP. XIX.

AND [t] it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.

2 And he sent Eliakim, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and of the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to [v] Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and * blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.

4 It [x] may be the LORD thy God will hear all the words of Rab-shakeh, [e] whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God; and will [f] reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that are † left.

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say to your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the [g] servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

7 Behold, I will send [i] a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.

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* *the water of their feet.*
[a] ch. 18. 14.
[b] 2 Ch. 32. 15.
[c] ch. 18. 5.
† *Make with me a blessing*, or, *Seek my favour.* Ge. 32. 20. 33. 11. Pr. 18. 16.
[d] ch. 18. 33.
‡ or, *pit.* De. 8. 7, 8.
[f] Exo. 27. 23.
§ or, *deceiveth.*
[g] 2 Ch. 32. 14. Is. 10. 10, 11.
[h] ch. 19. 13.
[i] ch. 17. 24, *Ava.*
[k] Ps. 80. 1.
[l] 1 Ki. 18. 39. Is. 44. 6.
[m] Ex. 5. 2. Job 15. 25, 26. Da. 3. 15.
[n] Ps. 21. 2.
[o] 2 Ch. 6. 40.
[p] Ps. 38. 13, 14. 39. 1. Pr. 9. 7. 23. 9. Am. 5. 13. Mat. 7. 6.
‖ or, *given.*
[q] Jo. 10. 3.
[r] Ge. 37. 29, 34 Job 1. 20. Is. 33. 7. Je. 36. 24. Mar. 14. 63.
[s] Ps. 83. 18.
[t] Is. 37. 1, &c.
[u] Ps. 65. 2.
[v] Lu. 3. 4, called *Esaias.*
[w] Le. 3. 12.
* or, *provocation.*
[x] Job 16. 4.
[z] 2 Sa. 16. 12.
[a] ch. 18. 35.
[b] Ps. 71. 22. Is. 5. 24. Je. 51. 5.
† *the hand of.*
[c] Ps. 50. 21.
[d] Ps. 20. 7.
‡ *found.*
§ *the taintness, &c.*
‖ or, *the forest* and *his fruitful field.*
[e] ch. 18. 17.
* or, *fenced.*
[f] Je. 51. 1.
† or, *Hast thou not heard how I have made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste,* and *fenced cities* to be *ruinous heaps?*

[a] I have done it, *and* of ancient times that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, *that* [b] thou shouldest be to lay waste fenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

26 Therefore their inhabitants were [c] of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* [d] grass on the house tops, and *as corn* blasted before it be grown up.

27 But [e] I know thy [†] abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.

28 Because thy rage against me and thy tumult is come up into mine ears, therefore [f] I will put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

29 And this *shall be to* [g] a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat this year such things as grow of themselves, and in the second year that which springeth of the same; and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.

30 And [§] the [i] remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.

31 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and [k] they that escape out of mount Zion: [l] the zeal of the LORD *of hosts* shall do this.

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a bank against it.

33 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

34 For I will defend this city, to save it, for mine own sake, and [m] for my servant David's sake.

35 ¶ And [n] it came to pass that night, that the angel of the LORD went out, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.

36 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at [r] Nineveh.

37 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of [§] Armenia. And [s] Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XX.

IN [t] those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [†] Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live.

2 Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD, saying,

3 I beseech thee, O LORD, [u] remember now how I have [x] walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept [‡] sore.

4 And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle [§] court, that the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

5 Turn again, and tell Hezekiah [y] the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, [z] I have heard thy prayer, I have seen *of* thy tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.

6 And I will add unto thy days fifteen

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[a] Is. 45. 7.
[b] Is. 10. 5.
[c] ch. 19. 34.
[d] *short of hand.*
[e] Is. 36. 21.
[f] Ps. 32. 9.
[g] Ju. 6. 17, 37, 39. Is. 7. 11, 14. 38. 22.
[h] Ps. 139. 1, &c.
[†] or, *sitting.*
[i] Job 41. 2. Ezek. 29. 4. 38. 4. Am. 4. 2.
[k] Is. 7. 11, 14. Lu. 2. 12.
[l] Jos. 10. 12, 14.
[m] Is. 38. 6.
[‡] *degrees.*
[§] *the escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth.*
[i] 2 Ch. 32. 22, 23.
[k] Is. 30. 1, &c.
[l] or, *Merodach-baladan.*
[m] *the escaping.*
[n] Is. 9. 7.
[†] or, *spicery.*
[‡] *vessels,* or, *jewels.*
[o] 1 Ki. 11. 12, 13.
[p] Is. 37. 36.
[r] Ge. 10. 11.
[s] Je. 27. 21, 22. 52. 17.
[t] ch. 24. 12. 2 Ch. 33. 11.
[§] *Ararat.*
[u] Ezr. 4. 2.
[‖] Fulfilled, Da. 1. 3.

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[x] 2 Ch. 32. 24, &c. Is. 38. 1, &c.
[w] 1 Sa. 3. 18. Job 1. 21. Ps. 39. 9.
[x] or, *Shall there not be peace and truth.*
[†] *Give charge concerning thine house.* 2 Sa. 17. 23.
[y] 2 Ch. 32. 32.
[z] Ne. 3. 16.
[a] Ne. 13. 22.
[b] Ge. 17. 1. 1 Ki. 3. 6.
[‡] *with a great weeping.*
[b] 2 Ch. 33. 1, &c.
[§] or, *city.*
[c] 1 Sa. 9. 16. 10. 1.
[d] ch. 19. 20. Ps. 65. 2.
[e] ch. 16. 3.
[f] Ps. 39. 12. 56. 8.
[g] ch. 18. 4.

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years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and [c] I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

7 And [d] Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid *it* on the boil, and he recovered.

8 ¶ And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, [f] What *shall be* the sign that the LORD will heal me, and that I shall go up into the house of the LORD the third day?

9 And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees?

10 And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees.

11 And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and [g] he brought the shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the [‡] dial of Ahaz.

12 ¶ At [h] that time [‖] Berodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.

13 And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and shewed them all the house of his [†] precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and *all* the house of his [‡] armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

14 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country, *even* from Babylon.

15 And he said, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All *the things* that *are* in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD.

17 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, [i] shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

18 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, [k] shall they take away; [l] and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.

19 Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, [m] Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken. And he said, [n] *Is it* not *good*, if peace and truth be in my days?

20 ¶ And [o] the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he [p] made a pool, and a conduit, and brought water into the city, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

21 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXI.

MANASSEH [q] *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hephzi-bah.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, [r] after the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

3 For he built up again the high places [s] which Hezekiah his father had destroyed;

[h] 2 Ch. 32. 31.
[i] 2 Ki. 24. 13. 25. 13. 2 Ch. 36. 18. Jer. 27. 22. 52. 17.
[k] Da. 1. 3.
[l] or, *officers.*
[m] 1 Sa. 3. 18. Job 1. 21. Ps. 39. 9.
[n] Jer. 33. 6.
[o] 2 Ch. 32. 32.
[p] Ne. 3. 16.
[q] 2 Ch. 33. 1, &c.
[r] Le. 18. 26, 27. Dt. 18. 9, 12.
[s] 2 Ch. 30. 14.

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and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, [a] as did Ahab king of Israel; and [b] worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.

4 And [c] he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD said, [d] In Jerusalem will I put my name.

5 [e]And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

6 And [f] he made his son pass through the fire, and observed [g] times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke *him* to anger.

7 And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, [i] In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:

8 Neither [k] will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them.

9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh [m] seduced them to do more evil than did the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of Israel.

10 ¶ And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying,

11 Because [p] Manasseh king of Judah hath done these [e] abominations, [q] *and* hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which *were* before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols:

12 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I *am* bringing *such* evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both [s] his ears shall tingle.

13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem [t] the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as *a man* wipeth a dish, [†] wiping *it*, and turning *it* upside down.

14 And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies;

15 Because they have done *that which was* evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day.

16 Moreover [y] Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem [§] from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD.

17 ¶ Now [z] the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

18 And Manasseh slept with his fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

19 ¶ Amon [a] *was* twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah.

20 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, [b] as his father Manasseh did.

21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and served the idols that

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[a] 1 Ki. 16. 32, 33.
[b] 1 Ki. 11. 33.
[c] De. 4. 19. 17. 3.
[d] Je. 32. 34.
[e] 2 Sa. 7. 13. 1 Ki. 8. 29. 9. 3.
[f] Le. 18. 21. 20. 2.
[g] Le. 19. 26. 31. De. 18. 10, 11.
[h] Mat. 1. 10, called *Josias.*
[i] 2 Ch. 34. 1, &c. Ps. 8. 2. Je. 1. 2. Zep. 1. 1.
[j] 1 Ki. 8. 29. 9. 3. Ps. 132. 13, 14
[k] 2 Sa. 7. 10.
[l] Jos. 15. 39.
[m] De. 5. 32. Jos. 1. 7. Pr. 4. 27. Eze. 18. 14.. 17.
[n] Pr. 29. 12.
[o] ch. 12. 4.
[p] Je. 15. 4.
[q] Ps. 84. 10.
[r] 1 Ki. 21. 25.
[s] *threshold.*
[t] Esr. 3. 7.
[u] 1 Sa. 3. 11. Je. 19. 3.
[v] Is. 34. 11. La. 2. 8. Am. 7. 7, 8.
[†] *he wipeth and turneth it upon the face thereof.*
[w] Ne. 7. 2. Pr. 29. 20. Lu. 18. 10.. 12. 1 Co. 4. 2. 2 Co. 8. 20, 21
[x] De. 31. 24.. 26.
[y] Nu. 35. 33. De. 21. 8, 9. 1 Sa. 8. 18. Je. 2. 34. 15. 4. 19. 4. Lu. 13. 34.
[‡] *melted.*
[§] *from mouth to mouth.*
[z] 2 Ch. 33. 11 .20.
[a] De. 17. 18.. 20 Je. 13. 18. 22. 1, 2.
[b] Joel 2. 13.
[c] 2 Ch. 33. 21 .25.
[d] 2 Ch. 34. 20, *Abdon.*
[||] or, *Micah.*
[e] Ps. 25. 14. Pr. 3. 6. Am. 3. 7.
[f] ver. 2, &c.
[g] Ps. 76. 7.. Da. 9. 5..7. Na. 1. 6. Ro. 3. 19, 20. 4. 15. Re. 6. 17.

his father served, and worshipped them:

22 And he [c] forsook the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.

23 ¶ And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the king in his own house.

24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

26 And he was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza: and [h] Josiah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXII.

JOSIAH [i] *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of [l] Boscath.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of David his father, and [m] turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.

3 ¶ And it came to pass in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *that* the king sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the scribe, to the house of the LORD, saying,

4 Go up to Hilkiah the high priest, that he may sum the silver which is [o] brought into the house of the LORD, which [r] the keepers of the [o] door have gathered of the people:

5 And let them deliver it into the hand of the doers of the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD: and let them give it to the doers of the work which *is* in the house of the LORD, [t] to repair the breaches of the house,

6 Unto carpenters, and builders, and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair the house.

7 Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into their hand, because [w] they dealt faithfully.

8 ¶ And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, [x] I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.

9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said, Thy servants have [‡] gathered the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of them that do the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD.

10 And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me a book. And Shaphan [a] read it before the king.

11 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that [b] he rent his clothes.

12 And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and [d] Achbor the son of [||] Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asahiah a servant of the king's, saying,

13 Go ye, [e] enquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found: for great *is* [g] the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not hearkened unto the

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words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us.

14 So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of [c] Tikvah, the son of [d] Harhas, keeper of the [†] wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem [§] in the college;) and they communed with her.

15 ¶ And she said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you to me,

16 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, [e] I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read:

17 Because [f] they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.

18 But to [g] the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of the LORD, thus shall ye say to him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, *As touching* the words which thou hast heard;

19 Because thine [h] heart was tender, and thou hast [i] humbled thyself before the LORD, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become [k] a desolation and [l] a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard *thee*, saith the LORD.

20 Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou [m] shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this place. And they brought the king word again.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND [n] the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and of Jerusalem.

2 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, [§] both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant [o] which was found in the house of the LORD.

3 ¶ And the king [p] stood by a pillar, [q] and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep [r] his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all *their* heart and all *their* soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people stood to the covenant.

4 And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for [s] the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Beth-el.

5 And he [‖] put down [t] the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the [‡] planets, and to [u] all the host of heaven.

6 And he brought out the [x] grove from the house of the LORD, without Jerusalem,

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[a] 2 Ch. 34. 4.
[b] 1 Ki. 14. 24. 15. 12.
[c] *Tikvath.* 2 Ch. 34. 22.
[d] or, *Hasrah.*
[†] *garments.*
[e] Exo. 16. 16.
[‡] *houses.*
[§] or, *in the second part*
[e] 1 Ki. 15. 22.
[f] Da. 9. 11. 14
[g] De. 29. 25. 27
[h] Exo. 44. 10.. 14.
[i] 1 Sa. 2. 36.
[j] Is. 30. 33. Je. 7. 31. 19. 6, 11.. 13.
[k] Jos. 15. 8.
[l] 2 Ch. 34. 26, &c.
[m] Le. 18. 21. De. 18. 10. Exe. 23. 37, 39.
[n] Ps. 51. 17. Is. 57. 15.
[‖] or, *eunuch*, or, *officer.*
[o] 1 Ki. 21. 29.
[p] Je. 19. 13. Zep. 1. 5.
[r] Le. 26. 31, 33
[s] Je. 26. 6. 44. 22.
[t] ch. 21. 5.
[u] or, *ran frankincense*
[x] Ps. 37. 37. Is. 57. 1, 2.
[†] i. e. the mount of Olives.
[y] 1 Ki. 11. 7.
[z] 2 Ch. 34. 29, &c.
[y] Ex. 24. 21. De. 7. 5, 25.
[‡] *statues.*
[§] *from small even unto great.*
[a] ch. 22. 8.
[a] 1 Ki. 12. 28, 33.
[b] ch. 11. 14, 17.
[c] Ezr. 10. 3. Je. 50. 5. Ho. 9. 8.. 13. 12. 24. 13. 20.
[d] Ps. 19. 7.. 9. 119. 6, 32
[e] 1 Ki. 13. 2.
[f] ch. 21. 3, 7.
[g] 1 Ki. 13. 1, 30
[‖] *caused to cease.*
[h] *chemarim.* Ho. 10. 5. Foretold, Zep. 1. 4.
[†] *to escape.*
[k] 2 Ch. 34. 6, 7.
[‡] or, *twelve signs*, or, *constellations.*
[i] ch. 21. 3.
[k] ch. 21. 7.

unto the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and stamped *it* small to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon [k] the graves of the children of the people.

7 And he brake down the houses [b] of the sodomites, that *were* by the house of the LORD, [c] where the women wove [†] hangings for the grove.

8 And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and defiled the high places where the priests had burned incense, from [a] Geba to Beer-sheba, and brake down the high places of the gates that *were* in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city, which *were* on a man's left hand at the gate of the city.

9 Nevertheless [b] the priests of the high places came not up to the altar of the LORD in Jerusalem, [‡] but they did eat of the unleavened bread among their brethren.

10 And he defiled [j] Topheth, which *is* in [k] the valley of the children of Hinnom, [m] that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech.

11 And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathan-melech, the [‖] chamberlain, which *was* in the suburbs, and burned the chariots of the sun with fire.

12 And the altars that *were* [l] on the top of the upper chamber of Ahaz, which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which [l] Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of the LORD, did the king beat down, and [c] brake *them* down from thence, and cast the dust of them into the brook Kidron.

13 And the high places that *were* before Jerusalem, which *were* on the right hand of [†] the mount of corruption, which [n] Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile.

14 And he [y] brake in pieces the [‡] images, and cut down the groves, and filled their places with the bones of men.

15 ¶ Moreover the altar that *was* at Beth-el, *and* the high place [c] which Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, had made, both that altar and the high place he brake down, and burned the high place, *and* stamped *it* small to powder, and burned the grove.

16 And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchres that *were* there in the mount, and sent, and took the bones out of the sepulchres, and burned *them* upon the altar, and polluted it, according to the [c] word of the LORD which the man of God proclaimed, who proclaimed these words.

17 Then he said, What title *is* that that I see? And the men of the city told him, *It is* [f] the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the altar of Beth-el.

18 And he said, Let him alone; let no man move his bones. So they let his bones [†] alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria.

19 And all the houses also of the high places that *were* [k] in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke *the LORD* to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el.

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29 And he [o] slew [a] all the priests of the high places that *were* there upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.

21 ¶ And the king commanded all the people, saying, [b] Keep the passover unto the LORD your God, [d] as *it is* written in the book of this covenant.

22 Surely [e] there was not holden such a passover from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah;

23 But [f] in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *wherein* this passover was holden to the LORD in Jerusalem.

24 ¶ Moreover the *workers with* familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the [†] images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were spied in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might perform the words of [h] the law which were written in the book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the LORD.

25 And [i] like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there *any* like him.

26 ¶ Notwithstanding the LORD turned not from the fierceness of his great wrath, wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, [k] because of all the [§] provocations that Manasseh had provoked him withal.

27 And the LORD said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as [l] I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, [m] My name shall be there.

28 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

29 ¶ In [n] his days Pharaoh-nechoh king of Egypt went up against the king of Assyria to the river Euphrates: and king Josiah went against him; and he slew him at [p] Megiddo, when he [q] had seen him.

30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him to Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulchre. And the people of the land [s] took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and anointed him, and made him king in his father's stead.

31 ¶ [†] Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* [d] Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

32 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

33 And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands [h] at Riblah in the land of Hamath, [§] that he might not reign in Jerusalem; and [‖] put the land to a tribute of an hundred talents of silver, and a talent of gold.

34 And Pharaoh-nechoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in the room of Josiah his father, and turned his name to [m] Jehoiakim, and took Jehoahaz away: [•] and he came to Egypt, and died there.

35 And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he taxed the land to give the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold of the people of the land, of every one according to his taxation, to give *it* unto Pharaoh-nechoh.

36 ¶ Jehoiakim [t] *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.

37 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

CHAP. XXIV.

IN [f] his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him.

2 And [h] the LORD sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, [i] according to the word of the LORD, which he spake [l] by his servants the prophets.

3 Surely at the commandment of the LORD came *this* upon Judah, to remove *them* out of his sight, [m] for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did;

4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed: [m] for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; [•] which the LORD would not pardon.

5 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

6 So [r] Jehoiakim slept with his fathers: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

7 And [s] the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land: for [u] the king of Babylon had taken from the river of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all that pertained to the king of Egypt.

8 ¶ [‖] Jehoiachin *was* eighteen years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem three months. And his mother's name *was* Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem.

9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father had done.

10 ¶ At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against Jerusalem, and the city [•] was besieged.

11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did besiege it.

12 And [b] Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his [‡] officers: [r] and the king of Babylon took [•] him in the eighth year of his reign.

13 And [f] he carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and [g] cut in pieces all the vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of the LORD, [i] as the LORD had said.

14 And [h] he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valour, *even* ten thousand captives, and [i] all the craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.

15 And [m] he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's mother, and the king's wives, and his [•] officers, and the mighty of the land, *those* carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

16 And all the men of might, *even* seven thousand, and craftsmen and smiths a

[o] or, *sacrificed.*
[a] Ex. 22. 20. 1 Ki. 18. 40.
[b] 2 Ch. 35. 5.
[c] 2 Ch. 35. 1.
[d] Ex. 12. 2. Le. 23. 5. Nu. 9. 2. De. 16. 2.
[e] 2 Ch. 35. 18, 19.
[f] Je. 25. 1, 9. Da. 1. 1.
[g] His eighteenth year ending.
[h] Exe. 19. 8. Je. 32. 28.
[†] or, *teraphim.* Ge. 31. 19.
[i] ch. 20. 17.
[k] Le. 19. 31. 20. 27. De. 18. 11.
[§] *by the hand of.*
[l] ch. 18. 5.
[m] ch. 21. 2,11.
[n] Ps. 106. 38.
[•] Je. 15. 1, 2. La. 3. 42. Exe. 33. 25.
[p] Je. 15. 4.
[q] *angers.*
[r] 2Ch.36.6,8. Je.22.18,19. 36. 30.
[s] ch.17.18,20.
[t] Je. 37. 5, 7.
[u] Je. 46. 2.
[v] 1 Ki. 8. 29. 9. 3.
[‖] Called *Jeconiah,* 1 Ch. 3. 16. Je. 24. 1. and *Coniah* Je.22.24,28.
[x] 2 Ch. 35. 20.
[y] Zec. 12. 11.
[z] ch. 14. 8.
[•] *came into siege.*
[a] 2 Ch. 36. 1.
[b] Je. 29. 1, 2. Exe. 17. 12.
[†] Called *Shallum,* 1 Ch. 3. 15. Je. 22. 11.
[‡] or, *eunuchs*
[c] *Nebuchadnezzar's* eighth year. Je. 25. 1.
[d] ch. 24. 18.
[e] Je. 52. 28.
[f] ch. 20. 17. Is. 39. 6.
[g] Da. 5. 2, 3.
[h] Je. 52. 27.
[i] Je. 20. 5.
[§] or, *because he reigned.*
[k] Je. 34. 1.
[‖] *set a mulct upon the land.* 2 Ch. 36. 3.
[l] 1Sa.13,19,22
[m] Mat. 1. 11, *Jakim.*
[n] Je.22.24,&c
[•] Exe. 19.3,4.
[•] or, *eunuchs*

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thousand, all *that were* strong *and* apt for war, even them the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon.

17 ¶ And [a] the king of Babylon made Mattaniah [b] his father's brother king in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

18 Zedekiah *was* twenty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* [c] Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

19 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

20 For [d] through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had cast them out from his presence, [e] that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

CHAP. XXV.

AND it came to pass [f] in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, *that* Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he, and all his host, against Jerusalem, and [g] pitched against it; and they built forts against it round about.

2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

3 And on the ninth *day* of the *fourth* month the famine prevailed in the city, and there was no bread for the people of the land.

4 ¶ And the city was broken up, and all the men of *war* fled by night by the way of the gate between two walls, which *is* by the king's garden: (now the Chaldees *were* against the city round about:) and [h] *the king* went the way toward the plain.

5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of Jericho: and all his army were scattered from him.

6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon [i] to Riblah; and they [k] gave judgment upon him.

7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and [l] put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried him to Babylon.

8 ¶ And in the fifth month, on the seventh *day* of the month, which *is* [m] the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, [n] captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:

9 And [o] he burnt the house of the LORD, [p] and the king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every great *man's* house burnt he with fire.

10 And all the army of the Chaldees, that *were with* the captain of the guard, [q] brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about.

11 Now the rest of the people *that were* left in the city, and the [r] fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carry away.

12 But the captain of the guard [s] left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and husbandmen.

13 And [t] the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, did the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to Babylon.

14 And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.

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[a] Jo. 37. 1.
[b] 1 Ch. 3. 15. 2 Ch. 36. 10
[c] *the one sea.*
[c] 1 Ki. 7. 47.
[d] Je. 52. 21.
[e] ch. 23. 31.
[f] Ez. 9. 14. 17. De. 2. 30.
[g] 1 Ch. 6. 14. Ezr. 7. 1.
[h] Je. 21. 1. 29. 25.
[i] Ezr. 17. 15.
† *threshold.*
‡ or, *eunuch.*
[k] Je. 34. 2. 39. 1. 52. 4, 5. Eze. 21. 1.
§ *saw the king's face.* Es. 1. 14.
‖ or, *scribe of the captain of the host.*
[l] Is. 39. 3. Je. 32. 24. Eze. 4. 1, 2. 21. 22. 24. Lu. 19. 43, 44
[m] La. 4. 16.
[n] ch. 23. 27. Le. 26. 33. De. 28. 36, 64 Am. 5. 27.
[o] Je. 40. 5.
[p] Eze. 12. 12.
[q] ch. 23. 33.
[r] *spake judgment with him.*
† *made blind.*
[s] 2 Sa. 14. 11. 19. 23.
[t] ch. 24. 12.
[u] Je. 41. 1, 2.
‡ or, *chief marshal.*
§ *of the kingdom.*
[v] 2 Ch. 36. 19. Ps. 79. 1.
[x] Am. 2. 5.
[y] Ne. 1. 3.
[z] Je. 43. 4, 7.
[a] Je 52. 31, &c
‖ *fallen away.*
[b] Je. 40. 7. 52. 16.
[c] Ge. 40. 13, 20 Pr. 21. 1.
[d] ch. 20. 17. 1 Ki. 7. 15. Je. 27. 19, 22.
[e] *good things with him.*
[f] Ge. 41. 14, 42 Es. 8. 5. Is. 61. 10. Zec. 3. 4. Lu. 15. 22. Phi. 3. 9
[g] 2 Sa. 9. 7.

15 And the firepans, and the bowls, *and* such things as *were* of gold, *in* gold, and of silver, *in* silver, the captain of the guard took away.

16 The two pillars, [c] one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the LORD; [c] the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

17 The [d] height of the one pillar *was* eighteen cubits, and the chapiter upon it *was* brass: and the height of the chapiter three cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapiter round about, all of brass: and like unto these had the second pillar with wreathen work.

18 ¶ And the captain of the guard took [e] Seraiah the chief priest, and [f] Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the † door:

19 And out of the city he took an ‡ officer that was set over the men of war, and five men of them that § were in the king's presence, which were found in the city, and the ‖ principal scribe of the host, which mustered the people of the land, and threescore men of the people of the land *that were* found in the city:

20 And Nebuzar-adan captain of the guard took these, [m] and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah:

21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath. [n] So Judah was carried away out of their land.

22 ¶ And [o] *as for* the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

23 And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

24 And Gedaliah [p] sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be well with you.

25 But [q] it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed § royal, came, and ten men with him, and smote Gedaliah, that he died, and the Jews and the Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.

26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, [r] and came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Chaldees.

27 ¶ And [s] it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seven and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign [t] did lift up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison;

28 And he spake [u] kindly to him, and [v] set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon;

29 And [w] changed his prison garments: and he did [x] eat bread continually before him all the days of his life.

30 And his allowance *was a* continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

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The First Book of the CHRONICLES.

These are journals supposed to have been compiled from the registers of the kings of Judah and Israel.

CHAP. I.

ADAM, [a] Sheth, Enosh,
2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,
3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,
4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
5 ¶ The [b] sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.
6 And the sons of Gomer: Ashchenaz, and [†] Riphath, and Togarmah.
7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and [‖] Dodanim.
8 ¶ The [c] sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.
9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.
10 And Cush [d] begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.
11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,
12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and [e] Caphthorim.
13 And [f] Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,
14 The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,
15 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,
16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite.
17 ¶ The sons of [g] Shem; Elam, and Ashur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and [§] Meshech.
18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.
19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one *was* [‖] Peleg; because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name *was* Joktan.
20 And [i] Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,
21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,
22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,
23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these *were* the sons of Joktan.
24 ¶ [m] Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,
25 [n] Eber, Peleg, Reu,
26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,
27 [p] Abram; the same *is* Abraham.
28 The sons of Abraham; [r] Isaac, and [s] Ishmael.
29 ¶ These *are* their generations: The [t] firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,
30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, [‖] Hadad, and Tema,
31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.
32 ¶ Now [u] the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.
33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *are* the sons of Keturah.
34 And [x] Abraham begat Isaac. [y] The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.
35 ¶ The sons of [z] Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

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[a] Ge. 4. 25, 26. 5. 3, 9.
[b] or, *Zepho*, Ge. 36. 11.
[c] Ge. 10. 2, &c.
[†] or, *Diphath* as it is in some copies.
[‡] or, *Heman*, Ge. 36. 22.
[§] or, *Alvan*, Ge. 36. 23.
[‖] or, *Rodanim*, according to some copies.
[d] or, *Shepho*, Ge. 36. 23.
[e] Ge. 10. 6, &c.
[f] Ge. 36. 2.
[†] or, *Hemdan*, Ge. 36. 26.
[‡] or, *Akan*, Ge. 36. 27.
[g] Ge. 10. 8, 13, &c.
[h] Ge. 36. 31, &c.
[i] De. 2. 23.
[k] Ge. 10. 15, &c.
[l] Ge. 11. 10.
[m] Ge. 36. 37.
[§] or, *Mash*, Ge. 10. 23.
[‖] i.e. *division* Ge. 10. 25.
[n] or, *Hadar*, Ge. 36. 39.
[†] or, *Pau*, Ge. 36. 39.
[l] Ge. 10. 26.
[m] Ge. 36. 40.
[‡] or, *Alvah*.
[n] Lu. 3. 34, &c.
[o] Ge. 11. 15.
[p] Ge. 17. 5.
[r] Ge. 21. 2, 3.
[s] Ge. 16. 11, 15
[§] or, *Jacob*.
[t] Ge. 29. 32. 30. 5. 35. 18, 22. 46. 8, &c.
[u] Ge. 25. 13. 16
[‖] or, *Hadar*, Ge. 25. 15.
[x] Ge. 38. 3. 46. 12. Nu. 26. 19.
[y] Ge. 25. 1, 2.
[z] Ge. 36. 2.
[a] Ge. 38. 7.
[b] Ge. 38. 29, 30 Mat. 1. 3.
[b] Ge. 46. 12. Ru. 4. 18.
[c] Ge. 21. 2, 3.
[d] Ge. 25. 25, 26
[e] or, *Zabdi*, Jos. 7. 1.
[f] Ge. 36. 9, 10.
[f] 1 Ki. 4. 31.
[†] or, *Darda*.

36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, [a] Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.
37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.
38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezar, and Dishan.
39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and [‡] Homam: and Timna *was* Lotan's sister.
40 The sons of Shobal; [§] Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, [b] Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.
41 The sons of Anah; [c] Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; [†] Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.
42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, *and* [‡] Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.
43 ¶ Now these *are* the [d] kings that reigned in the land of Edom before *any* king reigned over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.
44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.
45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.
46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.
47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.
48 And [e] when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.
49 And when Shaul was dead, Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.
50 And when Baal-hanan was dead, [f] Hadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* [†] Pai; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.
51 ¶ Hadad died also. And the [g] dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke [‡] Aliah, duke Jetheth,
52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,
53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,
54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the dukes of Edom.

CHAP. II.

THESE *are* the sons of [§] Israel; [a] Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun,
2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
3 ¶ The sons of [b] Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *which* three were born unto him of the daughter of [c] Shua the Canaanitess. And [d] Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD; and he slew him.
4 And [e] Tamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah *were* five.
5 The sons of [b] Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.
6 And the sons of Zerah; [a] Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them in all.

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7 And the sons of [a] Carmi; [b] Achar, the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing [c] accursed.

8 And the sons of Ethan; Azariah.

9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and † Ram, and ‡ Chelubai.

10 And Ram [d] begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Nahshon, [e] prince of the children of Judah;

11 And Nahshon begat § Salma, and Salma begat Boaz,

12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse,

13 ¶ And Jesse begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and ‖ Shimma the third,

14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,

15 Ozem the sixth, David the seventh:

16 Whose sisters *were* Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.

17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa *was* [g] Jether the Ishmeelite.

18 ¶ And Caleb the son of Hezron begat *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth: her sons *are* these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.

19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him [h] Ephrath, which bare him Hur.

20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat [i] Bezaleel.

21 ¶ And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of [j] Machir the father of Gilead, whom he ‡ married when he *was* threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.

22 And Segub begat Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.

23 And [m] he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and the towns thereof, *even* threescore cities. All these *belonged to* the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

24 And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb-ephratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him [n] Ashur the father of Tekoa.

25 ¶ And the sons of Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, *and* Ahijah.

26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name *was* Atarah; she *was* the mother of Onam.

27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker.

28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai; Nadab, and Abishur.

29 And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail, and she bare him Ahban, and Molid.

30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without children.

31 And the sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And [o] the children of Sheshan; Ahlai.

32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died without children.

33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.

34 ¶ Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name *was* Jarha.

35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.

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[a] ch. 4. 1.
[b] or, *Achan.*
[c] Jos. 6. 18. 7. 1.
† or, *Aram*, Mat. 1. 3, 4.
‡ or, *Caleb*, ver. 18, 42.
[d] Ru. 4. 19, 20. Mat. 1. 4.
[e] Nu. 1. 7. 2. 3.
§ or, *Salmon*, Ru. 4. 21. Mat. 1. 4.
[f] 2 Sa. 16. 6.
‖ or, *Shammah*, 1 Sa. 16. 9.
[g] 2 Sa. 9. 18.
[h] *Ithra an Israelite*, 2 Sa. 17. 25.
[i] ver. 50.
[j] Ex. 31. 2.
[k] Jos. 15. 17.
[l] Nu. 27. 1.
† or, *Ephrath* ver. 19.
‡ *took.*
[m] Nu. 32. 41. De. 3. 14. Jos. 13. 30.
§ or, *Reaiah*, ch. 4. 2.
‖ or, *half of the Menuchites*, or, *Hatsharmenuchoth.*
[n] ch. 4. 5.
[o] or, *Azariites, or, crowns of the house of Joab.*
[p] Ju. 1. 16.
[r] 2 Sa. 3. 2.
[s] Jos. 15. 56.
† or, *Chileab*, 2 Sa. 3. 3.
[t] 2 Sa. 3. 5.
[u] ver. 34, 35.
[v] 2 Sa. 2. 11.
‡ or, *Shamua*, 2 Sa. 5. 14.
§ or, *Bathsheba*, 2 Sa. 11. 3.
‖ or, *Elisam*, 2 Sa. 11. 3.
[o] or, *Elishua*, 2 Sa. 5. 15.
† or, *Beeliada*, ch. 14. 7

36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat [k] Zabad,

37 And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,

38 And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,

39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,

40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,

41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.

42 ¶ Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha his firstborn, which *was* the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.

43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.

44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat Shammai.

45 And the son of Shammai *was* Maon: and Maon *was* the father of Beth-zur.

46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat Gazez.

47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Gesham, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.

49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibea: and the daughter of Caleb *was* [l] Achsa.

50 ¶ These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of † Ephratah; Shobal the father of Kirjath-jearim,

51 Salma the father of Beth-lehem, Hareph the father of Beth-gader.

52 And Shobal the father of Kirjath-jearim had sons; § Haroeh, *and* ‖ half of the Manahethites.

53 And the families of Kirjath-jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites.

54 The sons of Salma; Beth-lehem, and the Netophathites, [o] Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, *and* Suchathites. These *are* the [p] Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of [r] Rechab.

CHAP. III.

NOW these were the sons of David, which were born unto him in Hebron; the firstborn [r] Amnon, of Ahinoam the [s] Jezreelitess; the second † Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:

2 The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:

3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by [t] Eglah his wife.

4 *These* six were born unto him in Hebron; and [u] there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.

5 And these were born unto him in Jerusalem; ‡ Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of § Bathshua the daughter of ‖ Ammiel:

6 Ibhar also, and [o] Elishama, and Eliphelet,

7 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

8 And Elishama, and † Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

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9 *These were* all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and * Tamar their sister.

10 ¶ And Solomon's son *was* * Rehoboam, † Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

11 Joram his son, § Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,

12 Amaziah his son, † Azariah his son, Jotham his son,

13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,

14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.

15 And the sons of Josiah *were*, the firstborn ‖ Johanan, the second ‖ Jehoiakim, the third * Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

16 And the sons of * Jehoiakim: † Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah *f* his son.

17 ¶ And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, § Salathiel *g* his son,

18 Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

19 And the sons of Pedaiah *were*, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.

21 And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.

22 And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.

23 And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and * Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.

24 And the sons of Elioenai *were*, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

CHAP. IV.

THE sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and § Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.

2 And ‖ Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai, and Lahad. These *are* the families of the Zorathites.

3 And these *were of* the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister *was* Hazelelponi:

4 And Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These *are* the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem.

5 ¶ And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These *were* the sons of Naarah.

7 And the sons of Helah *were*, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.

8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

9 ¶ And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name † Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, § Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest ‖ keep *me* from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.

11 ¶ And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which *was* the father of Eshton.

12 And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and

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* or, *the city of Nahash.*
a 2 Sa. 13. 1.
b Jos. 15. 17.
c 1 Ki. 11. 43. 15. 6.
† or, *Abijam.* 1 Ki. 15. 1.
‡ or, *Hathath* and *Meonothai*, who *begat, &c.*
§ or, *Asarelah.* 2 Ch. 22. 6. or, *Jehoahaz.* 2 Ch. 21. 17.
d Ne. 11. 35.
‖ or, inhabitants *of the valley.*
• 1. e. *craftsmen.*
† or, *Uzziah.* 2 Ki. 15. 30.
‡ or, *Uknaz.*
§ or, *Jehoahaz.* 2 Ki. 23. 30.
‖ or, *Eliakim.* 2 Ki. 23. 34.
• or, *Mattanaiah.* 2 Ki. 24. 17.
• Mat. 1. 11.
† or, *Jehoiachin.* 2 Ki. 24. 6. or, *Coniah.* Je. 22. 24.
f 2 Ki. 24. 17. being his uncle.
‡ or, *the Jewess.*
§ *Shealtiel.*
g Mat. 1. 12.
‖ or, *Jehudijah*, mentioned before.
• *Hoshijahu.*
† or, *Jemuel.* Ge. 46. 10. Ex. 6. 15. Nu. 26. 12.
‡ or, *Jachin, Zohar.*
§ or, *Chelubai*, ch. 2. 9. or, *Caleb*, ch. 2. 18.
‖ or, *Haroeh*, ch. 2. 52.
• *unto.*
† or, *Balah.* Jos. 19. 3.
‡ or, *Bilolad.* Jos. 19. 4.
§ or, *Hazarsusah.* Jos. 19. 5.
‖ or, *Ether.* Jos. 19. 7.
• or, *Baalath-beer.* Jos. 19. 8.
† or, *as they divided themselves by nations among them.*
‡ 1. e. *sorrowful.*
§ *If thou wilt, &c.*
‖ *do me.*
• *coming.*

Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of • Irnahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.

13 And the sons of Kenaz; ‖ Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; ‖ Hathath.

14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the father of *d* the ‖ valley of • Charashim; for they were craftsmen.

15 And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sons of Elah, ‖ even Kenaz.

16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

17 And the sons of Ezra *were*, Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

18 And his wife ‖ Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these *are* the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.

19 And the sons of *his* wife ‖ Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

20 And the sons of Shimon *were*, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi *were*, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.

21 ¶ The sons of Shelah the son of Judah *were*, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,

22 And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Jashubi-lehem. And *these are* ancient things.

23 These *were* the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.

24 ¶ The sons of Simeon *were*, † Nemuel, and Jamin, ‡ Jarib, Zerah, *and* Shaul:

25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.

27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many children, neither did all their family multiply, • like to the children of Judah.

28 And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,

29 And at † Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at ‡ Tolad,

30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,

31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and § Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These *were* their cities unto the reign of David.

32 And their villages *were*, ‖ Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:

33 And all their villages that *were* round about the same cities, unto • Baal. These *were* their habitations, and † their genealogy.

34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,

35 And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,

36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah,

37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah;

38 These • mentioned by *their* names *were* princes in their families: and the

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house of their fathers increased greatly.

39 ¶ And they went to the entrance of Gedor, *even* unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

40 And [b] they found fat pasture and good, and the land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for *they* of Ham had dwelt there of old.

41 And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents, and the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt in their rooms: because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.

42 And *some* of them, *even* of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

43 And they smote [d] the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there unto this day.

CHAP. V.

NOW the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for [f] he *was* the firstborn; but, forasmuch as he [g] defiled his father's bed, [h] his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

2 For [i] Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him *came* the [k] chief ‖ ruler; but the birthright *was* Joseph's:)

3 The sons, *I say*, of [l] Reuben the firstborn of Israel *were*, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

6 Beerah his son, whom [o] Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria carried away *captive*: he *was* prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, *were* the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,

8 And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of ‡ Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in [q] Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baal-meon:

9 And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied [r] in the land of Gilead.

10 And in the days of Saul they made war [s] with the Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents § throughout all the east *land* of Gilead.

11 ¶ And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of [t] Bashan unto Salcah:

12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers *were*, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber, seven.

14 These *are* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

16 And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of [v] Sharon, upon † their borders.

17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of [g] Jotham king of Judah, and

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[a] 2 Ki. 14. 16, 28.
* *sons of valour.*
[b] Ju. 18. 10.
[c] Ps. 9. 10. 20. 7, 8. 22. 4, 5. 34. 11, 12. Je. 17. 7, 8. Na. 1. 7. Ep. 1. 12.
† *led captive.*
‡ *souls of men.* Nu. 31. 35.
[d] 1 Sa. 15. 8. 30. 17. 2 Sa. 8. 12.
[e] 2 Ki. 15. 29.
[f] Ge. 29. 32. 49. 3, 4.
[g] Ge. 35. 22.
[h] Ge. 48. 15, 22.
[i] Ge. 49. 8, 10. Ps. 60. 7. 108. 8.
§ *men of names.*
[k] Mi. 5. 2. Mat. 2. 6.
‖ or, *prince.*
[l] Ge. 46. 9. Ex. 6. 14. Nu. 26. 5.
[m] 2 Ki. 17. 7.
[n] 2 Ki. 15. 19.
[o] 2 Ki. 15. 29.
* or, *Tiglath-pileser.* 2 Ki. 15. 29. 16. 7.
[p] 2 Ki. 18. 11.
[r] ch. 23. 6. Ge. 46. 11. Ex. 6. 16. Nu. 26. 57.
† or, *Gershom.* ver. 16.
‡ or, *Shemaiah,* ver. 4.
[q] Jos 13. 15, 16
[t] ver. 22.
[s] Le. 10. 1.
[u] Jos. 22. 9.
[x] Ge. 25. 12.
§ *upon all the face of the east.*
[y] Jos 13. 11, 31
[z] 2 Sa. 8. 17.
[a] 2 Sa. 15. 27.
[b] 2 Ch. 26. 17, 18.
‖ *the house.*
[c] 1 Ki. VI. 2 Ch. III.
[d] Ezr. 7. 3.
* or, *Meshullam,* ch. 9. 11.
[e] ch. 27. 29.
† *their goings forth.*
[f] Ne. 11. 11.
[g] 2 Ki. 15. 5, 32.

in the days of [g] Jeroboam king of Israel.

18 ¶ The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, [a] of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, *were* four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish, and Nodab.

20 And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that *were* with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they [b] put their trust in him.

21 And they † took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and of ‡ men an hundred thousand.

22 For there fell down many slain, because the war *was* of God. And they dwelt in their steads until [c] the captivity.

23 ¶ And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

24 And these *were* the heads of the house of their fathers, even Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, § famous men, *and* heads of the house of their fathers.

25 ¶ And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a [d] whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

26 And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of [e] Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of [e] Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto [f] Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and to the river Gozan, unto this day.

CHAP. VI.

THE [r] sons of Levi; † Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, ‡ Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

3 And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; [b] Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

4 ¶ Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua,

5 And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,

6 And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begat Meraioth,

7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,

8 And [c] Ahitub begat Zadok, and [d] Zadok begat Ahimaaz,

9 And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,

10 And Johanan begat Azariah, (he *it* is [e] that executed the priest's office in [f] the temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)

11 And [d] Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,

12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat * Shallum,

13 And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,

14 And Azariah begat [f] Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,

15 And Jehozadak went *into captivity,*

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[a] when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.

16 ¶ The sons of Levi; [b] Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.

17 And these *be* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.

18 And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.

20 Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,

21 † Joah his son, ‡ Iddo his son, Zerah his son, § Jeaterai his son.

22 The sons of Kohath; ¶ Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,

23 Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,

24 Tahath his son, [c] Uriel his son, Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.

25 And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.

26 *As for* Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; † Zophai his son, and [e] Nahath his son,

27 Eliab [f] his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.

28 And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn ‡ Vashni, and Abiah.

29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,

30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

31 And these *are they* whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD, *after* that the ark had rest.

32 And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and *then* they waited on their office according to their order.

33 And these *are* they that † waited with their children. Of the sons of the Kohathites: Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of Shemuel,

34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of [i] Toah,

35 The son of ‡ Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,

36 The son of Elkanah, the son of [k] Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,

37 The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of [l] Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,

38 The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.

39 And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, *even* Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,

40 The son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,

41 The son of [o] Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,

42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,

43 The son of Jahath, the son of [p] Gershom, the son of Levi.

44 And their brethren the sons of Merari *stood* on the left hand: § Ethan the son of [h] Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,

45 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,

46 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,

47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of [r] Merari, the son of Levi.

48 Their brethren also the Levites *were* appointed unto all manner of service of the tabernacle of the house of God.

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[a] 2 Ki. 25. 18.
[b] Ex. 30. 7. Le. 1. 9. Nu. 16. 8..10 De. 18. 1..8 He. 5. 4. 7. 11..14.
[c] or, *Gershon*, ver. 1.
† or, *Ethan*, ver. 42.
‡ or, *Adaiah*, ver. 41.
§ or, *Ethni*, ver. 41.
[e] Jos. XXI.
|| or, *Izhar*, ver. 2, 18.
[e] or, *Zephaniah, Amariah, Joel*, ver. 36.
[d] Jos. 14. 13. 15. 13.
† or, *Zuph*, 1 Sa. 1. 1.
[e] ver. 34, *Toah*.
[f] Ver. 34, *Eliel*.
[g] Nu. 35. 13.. 15. Jos. 20. 7.
‡ Called also *Joel*, ver. 33. 1 Sa. 8. 2.
§ or, *Holon*, Jos. 21. 15.
|| or, *Ain*, Jos. 21. 16.
[e] or, *Almon*, Jos. 21. 18.
[h] ver. 66.
† *stood*.
[i] ver. 26, *Nahath*.
‡ or, *Zophai*.
[k] ver. 24, *Nhaul, Uzzah, Uriel*.
[l] Ex. 6. 24.
[m] Jos. 21. 7. 34.
[n] Nu. 33. 54. Jos. 18. 6. Pr. 16. 33. 18. 18.
[o] ver. 21, *Jeaterai, Iddo, Joah*.
[p] ch. 23. 6. Ge. 46. 11. Ex. 6. 16. Nu. 3. 17, *Gershon*.
[r] Ge. 33. 18. 35. 4. Ju. 9. 1. 1 Ki. 12. 1.
§ Called *Jeduthun*, ch. 9. 16. 25. 1, 3, 6. Ps. 89, title.
[s] Jos. 21. 22.. 33, where many of these cities have other names.
|| or, *Kushaiah*, ch. 15. 17.
[t] ch. 23. 21. Nu. 3. 20, 33 ..37. 4. 42..49.

49 ¶ But [h] Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, *and were appointed* for all the work of the *place* most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

50 And these *are* the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,

51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,

52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,

53 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

54 ¶ Now [c] these *are* their dwelling places throughout their castles in their coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for their [s] was the lot.

55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs thereof round about it.

56 But [d] the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, [g] *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs,

58 And § Hilen with her suburbs, Debir with her suburbs,

59 And || Ashan with her suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs:

60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her suburbs, and [e] Alemeth with her suburbs, and Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families *were* thirteen cities.

61 And unto the sons of Kohath, [h] *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given* out of the half tribe, *namely*, *out of* the half *tribe* of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.

62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

63 Unto the sons of Merari *were given* by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, [m] twelve cities.

64 And the children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their suburbs.

65 And they gave [n] by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are called by *their* names.

66 And *the residue* of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

67 And they gave unto them, *of* the cities of refuge, [g] Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbs; *they gave* also Gezer with her suburbs,

68 And [e] Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs,

69 And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs:

70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and Bileam with her suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71 Unto the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her

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suburbs, and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:
72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs,
73 And Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:
74 And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,
75 And Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs:
76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon with her suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.
77 Unto the rest of the children of Merari were *given* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:
78 And [d] on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, were *given them* out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her suburbs, and Jahzah with her suburbs,
79 Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs:
80 And out of the tribe of Gad; [e] Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and [f] Mahanaim with her suburbs,
81 And [g] Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs.

CHAP. VII.

NOW the sons of Issachar were, [h] Tola, and Phuah, Jashub, and Shimrom, four.
2 And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit,* of Tola: *they were* valiant men of might in their generations; [i] whose number was in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six hundred.
3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.
4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, were bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men:* for they had many wives and sons.
5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar were valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.
6 ¶ *The sons of* [p] Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, three.
7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour; and [t] were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two thousand and thirty and four.
8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.
9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.
10 The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.
11 All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valour, were seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers,* fit to go out for war *and* battle.

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[a] Nu. 26. 39, *Shupham,* and *Huphem.*
[b] or, *Iri,* ver. 7.
[c] or, *Ahiram,* Nu. 26. 38.
[d] Ge. 46. 24, *Shillem.*
[e] 1 Sa. 12. 11.
[f] De. 4. 41..43
[g] Nu. 26. 30, *Jezer.*
[h] Nu. 26. 25.
[i] 1 Ki. 22. 3. 2 Ki. 8. 28. 9. 1.
[k] Ge. 22. 2. 28a. 2 12, 29. 17. 24, 27. 19. 22.
[l] De. 2. 34. Ne. 9. 22. Ca. 7. 4.
[m] Ge. 46. 13. Nu. 26. 23.
[n] *Pharuah, Job.*
[o] Ge. 37. 34.
[p] Job 2. 11. Jno. 11. 19. Ro. 12. 15. 1 Co. 12. 26. He. 13. 3.
[q] ch. 27. 1. 2 Sa. 24. 1, 2.
[r] or, *Num.* Nu. 13. 8, 16.
[s] Jos. 16. 7, *Naarath.*
[t] *daughters.*
[u] or, *Adam.*
[v] ch. 8. 1, &c. Ge. 46. 21. Nu. 26. 38.
[w] Jos. 17. 7. Ju. 1. 27.
[x] Jos. 17. 11.
[y] 2 Ch. 17. 17, 18.
[z] Ge. 46. 17. Nu. 26. 44.
[a] ver. 34, *Shamer.*
[b] ver. 32, *Shomer.*

12 Shuppim [c] also, and Huppim, the children of [d] Ir, *and* Hushim, the sons of [e] Aher.
13 ¶ The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and [f] Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.
14 ¶ The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bare: (*but* his concubine the Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead:
15 And Machir took to wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was* Maachah;) and the name of the second *was* Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.
16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother *was* Sheresh; and his sons *were* Ulam and Rakem.
17 And the sons of Ulam; [g] Bedan. These *were* the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.
18 And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and [h] Abiezer, and Mahalah.
19 And the sons of Shemidah were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.
20 ¶ And [i] the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son,
21 ¶ And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath *that were* born in *that* land slew, because they came down to take away their cattle.
22 And Ephraim their father [k] mourned many days, and his brethren came [l] to comfort him.
23 ¶ And when he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house.
24 (And his daughter *was* Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and Uzzen-sherah.)
25 And Rephah *was* his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,
26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,
27 [m] Non his son, Jehoshuah his son.
28 ¶ And their possessions and habitations were, Beth-el and the towns thereof, and eastward [n] Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the [o] towns thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto [p] Gaza and the towns thereof:
29 And by the borders of the children of [q] Manasseh, Beth-shean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, [r] Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of Israel.
30 ¶ The [s] sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.
31 And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who *is* the father of Birzavith.
32 And Heber [t] begat Japhlet, and [u] Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.
33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These *are* the children of Japhlet.
34 And the sons of [v] Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.
35 And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.
36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,
37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.
38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

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39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

40 All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war *and* to battle *was* twenty and six thousand men.

CHAP. VIII.

NOW Benjamin begat [a]Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,

2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.

3 And the sons of Bela were, † Addar, and Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And Gera, and [d] Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these *are* the sons of [e]Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.

8 And Shaharaim begat *children* [h] in the country of Moab, after [j] he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.

9 And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.

11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built [m] Ono, and Lod, with the towns thereof:

13 Beriah also, and [n] Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of [o] Aijalon, who drove away the inhabitants of Gath:

14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of ‡ Shimhi;

22 And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,

23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. These dwelt in Jerusalem.

29 And at Gibeon dwelt the [p]father of Gibeon; whose [q] wife's name *was* Maachah:

30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and [r] Zacher.

32 And Mikloth begat ‡ Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

33 ¶ And [t] Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and [u] Abinadab, and § Esh-baal.

34 And the son of Jonathan *was* || Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begat [v] Micah.

35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and [w] Tarea, and Ahaz.

36 And Ahaz begat [x] Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

37 And Moza begat Binea: [y] Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

38 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.

39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

CHAP. IX.

SO [z] all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they *were* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, *who* were [a] carried away to Babylon for their transgression.

2 ¶ Now [b] the first inhabitants that *dwelt* in their possessions in their cities *were*, the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and [c] the Nethinims.

3 And in [d] Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh;

4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah.

5 And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.

6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety.

7 And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah,

8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;

9 And their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and six. All these men *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

10 ¶ And [e] of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,

11 And § Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God;

12 And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;

13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seven hundred and threescore; || very able men for the work of the service of the house of God.

14 And of the Levites; Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari;

15 And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph;

16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

17 And the porters *were*, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and

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[a] or, *Tahrea*, ch. 9. 41.

[b] *Jarah*, ch. 9. 42.

[c] ch. 9. 43, *Rephaiah*.

[d] ch. 7. 6. Ge. 46. 21. Nu. 26. 38.

† or, *Ard*, Ge. 46. 21.

[e] ch. 7. 12, *Shuppim*. Nu. 26. 39, *Shupham*.

[f] Ju. 3. 20, &c. 4. 1, &c.

[g] Exr. 2. 59. Mat. 1. 1..16 Lu. 3. 23..38

[h] 2 Ch. 33. 11. 36. 9, 10. 18..20. Je. 39. 9. 52. 14, 15. Da. 1. 1, 2.

[i] Ru. 1. 1.

[j] Exr. 2. 70. Ne. 7. 73.

[k] Ge. 25. 6.

[l] Jos. 9. 27. Exr. 2. 43. 8. 20.

[m] Ne. 11. 1.

[n] Exr. 2. 33. Ne. 6. 2. 7. 37. 11. 35.

[o] ver. 21.

[p] Jos. 19. 42, *Ajalon*.

[q] Ne. 11. 10, &c.

‡ or, *Shema*, ver. 13.

§ Ne. 11. 11, *Seraiah*.

|| *mighty men of valour*.

[r] Ju. 1. 21. Ne. 11. 1.

[s] Called *Jehiel*. ch. 9. 35.

[t] ch. 9. 39.

† or, *Zechariah*, ch. 9. 37.

‡ or, *Shimeam*, ch. 9. 38.

[u] 1 Sa. 14. 51.

[v] 1 Sa. 14. 49, *Ishui*.

§ or, *Ishbosheth*, 2 Sa. 2. 8.

|| or, *Mephibosheth*, 2 Sa. 4. 4. 9. 6, 10.

[w] 2 Sa. 9. 12.

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their brethren: Shallum *was* the chief;
18 Who hitherto *waited* in [a] the king's gate eastward: they *were* porters in the companies of the children of Levi.
19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the Korahites, *were* over the work of the service, keepers of the [b] gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, *being* over [b] the host of the LORD, *were* keepers of the entry.
20 And [c] Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time past, [d] *and* the LORD *was* with him.
21 *And* Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah *was* porter of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
22 All these *which were* chosen to be porters in the gates *were* two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom *f* David and Samuel [g] the seer § did ordain in their ‖ set office.
23 So they and their children *had* the oversight of the gates of the house of the LORD, *namely*, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.
24 In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.
25 And their brethren, *which were* in their villages, *were* to come [i] after seven days from time to time with them.
26 For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in *their* § set office, and were over the ‖ chambers and treasuries of the house of God.
27 ¶ And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge *was* upon them, and the opening thereof every morning *pertained* to them.
28 And *certain* of them had the charge of the ministering vessels, that they should [k] bring them in and out by tale.
29 *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the † instruments of the sanctuary, and the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.
30 And *some* of the sons of the priests made [m] the ointment of the spices.
31 And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the ‡ set office [p] over the things that were made § in the pans.
32 And *other* of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, [r] *were* over the ‖ shewbread, to prepare *it* every sabbath.
33 And these *are* [s] the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who remaining* in the chambers *were* free: for [t] they were employed in *that* work day and night.
34 These chief fathers of the Levites *were* chief throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.
35 ¶ And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name *was* [v] Maachah:
36 And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,
37 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.
38 And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.
39 And [x] Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.

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[a] 2 Ki. 11. 19. Eze. 44. 2, 3. 46. 1, 2. Ac. 3. 11.
[b] *thresholds.* Ps. 84. 10.
[c] 2 Ki. 11. 9, 15. 2 Ch. 23. 4.. 10.
[d] Nu. 31. 6.
[e] Nu. 25. 11.. 13. 1 Sa. 16. 18. Mat. 28. 20. Ac. 7. 9, 10.
[f] 1 Sa. 31. 1, 2. †or, *wounded*
[f] ch. 26. 1, 2.
‡ or, *Ishui.*
[g] 1 Sa. 14. 49.
[g] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
§ *founded.*
‖ or, *trust.*
[i] *shooters with bows.*
† *found him.*
[k] Ju. 9. 54. ‡ or, *mock me.*
[l] 2 Ki. 11. 5.
[k] 2 Sa. 17. 23. 1 Ki. 16. 18. Mat. 27. 4, 5. Ac. 1. 18.
§ or, *trust.*
‖ or, *storehouses.*
[m] Ex. 9. 1, 2. Ho. 13. 10, 11
[n] *bring them in by tale, and carry them out by tale.*
† or, *vessels.*
[m] Ju. 16. 23, 24. Da. 5. 2.. 4, 23
[n] Ex. 30. 23.
[o] 1 Sa. 31. 10.
‡ or, *trust.*
[p] Le. 2. 5. 6. 21.
§ or, *on flat plates*, or, *slices*
[r] Le. 24. 8.
‖ *bread of ordering.*
[s] ch. 6. 31. 25. 1.
[t] *upon them.*
† *transgressed.*
[t] 1 Sa. 13. 13. 15. 21
[u] 1 Sa. 28. 7. Ac. 16. 16–18
[v] ch. 8. 29.
[x] Is. 5. 7. 15.
[y] 1 Sa. 15. 28. 2 Sa. 3. 9, 10. 5. 3.
‡ *Issi.*
[z] 2 Sa. 5. 1.
§ *bathyesterday and the third day.*
[a] ch. 8. 33.
‖ or, *rule.*
[b] Ps. 78. 71.

40 And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal: and Merib-baal begat Micah.
41 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, *and Ahaz.*
42 And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza;
43 And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.
44 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these *were* the sons of Azel.

CHAP. X.

NOW [a] the Philistines fought against Israel; and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down †slain in mount Gilboa.
2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and ‡ Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul.
3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the [a] archers † hit him, and he was wounded of the archers.
4 Then said Saul to his armourbearer, [b] Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and ‡ abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So Saul [b] took a sword, and fell upon it.
5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise on the sword, and died.
6 So [c] Saul died, and his three sons, and all his house died together.
7 And when all the men of Israel that *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.
8 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.
9 And when they had stripped him, they took his head, and his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry [m] tidings unto their idols, and to the people.
10 And [d] they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon.
11 ¶ And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,
12 They arose, all the valiant men, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.
13 ¶ So Saul died for his transgression which he † committed against the LORD, [e] *even* against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking *counsel of one that had* [u] a familiar spirit, to enquire *of it*;
14 And enquired not of the LORD: therefore [x] he slew him, and [y] turned the kingdom unto David the son of ‡ Jesse.

CHAP. XI.

THEN [z] all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, Behold, we *are* thy bone and thy flesh.
2 And moreover § in time past, even when Saul was king, thou *wast* he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD thy God said unto thee, Thou shalt ‖ feed [b] my people Israel, and

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thou shalt be ruler over my people Israel.
3 Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and they [a] anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD [b] by [b] Samuel.
4 ¶ And David and all Israel [c] went to Jerusalem, which *is* Jebus; [d] where the Jebusites *were*, the inhabitants of the land.
5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come hither. Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which *is* the city of David.
6 And David said, Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be [§] chief and captain. So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.
7 And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called [‖] it the city of David.
8 And he built the city round about, even from Millo round about: and Joab [‡] repaired the rest of the city.
9 So David [‖] waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts *was* with him.
10 ¶ These [f] also *are* the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who [‡] strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king, according to [§] the word of the LORD concerning Israel.
11 And this *is* the number of the mighty men whom David had; Jashobeam, [‖] an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain *by him* at one time.
12 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who *was one* of the three mighties.
13 He was with David at [‖] Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines.
14 And they [‖] set themselves in the midst of *that* parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved *them* by a great [†] deliverance.
15 ¶ Now [‡] three of the thirty captains [h] went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped [i] in the valley of Rephaim.
16 And David *was* then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison *was* then at Bethlehem.
17 And David [k] longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, that *is* at the gate!
18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: but David would not drink *of* it, but [l] poured it out to the LORD,
19 And said, [m] My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men [‖] that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with *the jeopardy of* their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.
20 ¶ And [n] Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear against three hundred, he slew *them*, and had a name among the three.
21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit he attained not to the *first* three.

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[•] *great of deeds.*
[a] 2 Sa. 5. 3.
[†] *a man of measure.*
[‡] *by the hand of.*
[b] 1 Sa. 16. 1, 12.
[c] 2 Sa. 5. 6.
[d] Ju. 1. 21. 19. 10.
[§] *head.*
[‖] i. e. *Zion*, 2 Sa. 5. 7.
[e] 2 Sa. 23. 24.
[•] or, *Shammah.*
[†] or, *Harodite.*
2 Sa. 23. 25.
[‡] *revived.*
[§] or, *Paltite.* 2 Sa. 23. 26.
[‖] *went in going and increasing.*
[f] 2 Sa. 23. 8.
[•] or, *Mebunnai.*
[†] or, *Zalmon.*
[‡] or, *held strongly with him.*
[§] or, *Heleb.*
[g] 1 Sa. 16. 1, 12.
[‖] or, *son of Hachmoni.*
[•] or, *Hiddai.*
[†] or, *Abi-albon.*
[‡] or, *Jashen.* 2 Sa. 23. 32. 33.
[§] or, *Sharar.*
[‖] or, *Ephes-dammim*, 1 Sa. 17. 1.
[•] or, *Eliphelet.*
[†] or, *Ahasbai.*
[‡] or, *Hezrai.*
[§] or, *Paarai the Arbite.*
[‖] or, *stood.*
[•] or, *the Haggerite.*
[†] or, *salvation.* Ps. 144. 10. Pr. 21. 31.
[‡] or, *three captains over the thirty.*
[h] 2 Sa. 23. 13.
[i] ch. 14. 9.
[k] Nu. 11. 4, 5. Ps. 143. 6.
[§] or, *Shimrite.*
[l] 1 Sa. 7. 6.
[m] 1 Ki. 21. 3.
[n] 1 Sa. 27. 2.
[‖] *with their lives.*
[•] being *yet shut up.*
[•] 2 Sa. 23. 18, &c.
[p] Ju. 20. 16.
[†] or, *Hasmaah.*

22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, [•] who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.
23 And he slew an Egyptian, [†] a man of *great* stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand *was* a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.
24 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had a name among the three mighties.
25 Behold, he was honourable among the thirty, but attained not to the *first* three: and David set him over his guard.
26 ¶ Also the valiant men of the armies *were*, [e] Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,
27 [•] Shammoth the [†] Harorite, Helez the [§] Pelonite,
28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,
29 [•] Sibbecai the Hushathite, [†] Ilai the Ahohite,
30 Maharai the Netophathite, [§] Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,
31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained* to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,
32 [p] Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, [†] Abiel the Arbathite,
33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,
34 The sons of [‡] Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,
35 Ahiam the son of [§] Sacar the Hararite, [•] Eliphal the son of [†] Ur,
36 Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,
37 [‡] Hezro the Carmelite, [§] Naarai the son of Ezbai,
38 Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar [•] the son of Haggeri,
39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,
40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,
42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,
43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,
44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,
45 Jediael the [§] son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,
46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,
47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

CHAP. XII.

NOW [m] these *are* they that came to David to Ziklag, [•] while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish: and they *were* among the mighty men, helpers of the war.
2 *They were* armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and [p] the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, *even* of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.
3 The chief *was* Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of [†] Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth;

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and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite,
4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,
5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite.
6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,
7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.
8 And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David into the hold to the wilderness men of might, *and* men † of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and buckler, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions, and *were* ‖ as ᵉ swift as the roes upon the mountains;
9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,
10 Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,
11 Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,
12 Johananthe eighth.Elzabad the ninth,
13 Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.
14 These *were* of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: † one of the least *was* over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.
15 These *are* they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it had § overflown all his ᵍ banks; and they put to flight all *them* of the vallies, *both* toward the east, and toward the west.
16 And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold unto David.
17 And David went out † to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If ye be come peaceably unto me to help me, mine ʃ heart shall § knit unto you: but if *ye be come* to betray me to mine enemies, seeing *there is* no ‖ wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look *thereon*, and rebuke *it*.
18 Then the spirit ● came upon ᵍAmassai, *who was* chief of the captains, *and he said*, Thine *are we*, David, ‡ and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace *be* unto thee, and peace *be* to thine helpers; for ʰ thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them, and made them captains of the band.
19 And there fell *some* of Manasseh to David, ⁱ when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul ‡ to *the jeopardy of* our heads.
20 As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediael, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that *were* of Manasseh.
21 And they helped David § against ᵐ the band *of the rovers*: for they *were* all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host.
22 For at *that* time day by day there came to David to help him, until *it was* a great host, like the host of God.
23 ¶ And these *are* the numbers of the † bands *that were* ready armed to the war, *and* ᴾ came to David to Hebron, to ʳ turn the kingdom of Saul to him, ˢ according to the word of the LORD.
24 The children of Judah that bare shield

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● *or, prepared.*
ᵉ 2 Sa. 8. 17.
† *of the host.*
‡ *brethren,* Ge. 31. 23.
§ *a multitude of them.*
ʰ 2 Sa. 2. 8, 9.
‖ *as the roes upon the mountains to make haste.*
ᵉ 2 Sa. 2. 18.
● *men of names.*
ᵈ Ex. 1. 13.
† *or, one that was least* could resist *an hundred, and the greatest a thousand*
‡ *or, rangers of battle,* or, *ranged in battle.*
§ *filled over.*
‖ *or, set the battle in array.*
ᶠ Jos. 3. 15.
● *without a heart and a heart.* Ps. 12. 2.
† *before them*
‡ *or, keeping their rank.*
ᶠ 2 Co. 13. 11. Phi. 1. 27.
§ *be one.*
‖ *or, violence.*
● *clothed Amasai.* Ju. 6. 34. 13. 25.
ᵍ 2 Sa. 17. 25.
ʰ Is. 26. 3. Mat. 6. 22, 23
ⁱ 2 Sa. 15. 21. 2 Ki. 9. 33. Mat. 12. 30.
ʰ 1 Sa. 25. 28, 29 2 Sa. 5. 2. Zec. 8. 23. Jno. 6. 67, 68.
ⁱ 1 Sa. 29. 2.
† *or, victual of meal.*
‡ *on our heads.*
ᵐ Ps. 59. 3. Je. 23. 5, 6. Lu. 19. 37, 38
§ *or, with a band.*
ⁿ 1 Sa. 30. 1. 9.
‖ *let us break forth* and *send.*
ᵒ 1 Sa. 31. 1. Is. 37. 4.
● *in the cities of their suburbs.*
† *heads, or, captains,* or, *men.*
ᴾ ch. 11. 1. 2 Sa. 3. 3, 4. 5. 1.
ʳ ch. 10. 14.
‡ *bring about*
ˢ 1 Sa. 16. 1, 2.
ᵗ 1 Sa. 7. 1, 2.

and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred, ready ● armed to the war.
25 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war, seven thousand and one hundred.
26 Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.
27 And Jehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* three thousand and seven hundred;
28 And ᵒ Zadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.
29 And of the children of Benjamin, the ‡ kindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto § the ʰ greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul.
30 And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valour, ● famous throughout the house of their fathers.
31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name, to come and make David king.
32 And of the children of Issachar, ᵈ *which were men* that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brethren *were* at their commandment.
33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, ‡ expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could ‖ keep rank: *they were* ● not of double heart.
34 And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand.
35 And of the Danites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and six hundred.
36 And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, ‡ expert in war, forty thousand.
37 And on the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.
38 All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with ʰ a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel *were* of one heart to make David king.
39 And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.
40 Moreover they that were nigh them, *even* unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, *and* † meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for ᵐ *there was* joy in Israel.

CHAP. XIII.

AND David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, *and* with every leader.
2 And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If *it seem* good unto you, and *that it be* of the LORD our God, ‡ let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, *that are* ᵛ left in all the land of Israel, and with them *also* to the priests and Levites *which are* ᴮ in their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:
3 And let us ‡ bring again the ark of our God to us: ˢ for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.
4 And all the congregation said that

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they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

5 So [a]David gathered all Israel together, from [b]Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God [c]from Kirjath-jearim.

6 And David went up, and all Israel, to [d]Baalah, *that is*, to Kirjath-jearim, which *belonged* to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the LORD, [e]that dwelleth *between* the cherubims, whose name is called *on it*.

7 And they [†]carried the ark of God [f]in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.

8 And [g]David and all Israel played before God with all *their* might, and with [‡]singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.

9 ¶ And when they came unto the threshingfloor of [§]Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen [‖]stumbled.

10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, [h]because he put his hand to the ark: and there he [m]died before God.

11 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called [†]Perez-uzza to this day.

12 And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God *home* to me?

13 So David [‡]brought not the ark *home* to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

14 And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-edom in his house three months. And [n]the LORD blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.

CHAP. XIV.

NOW [o]Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him an house.

2 And David perceived that [p]the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for [q]his kingdom was lifted up on high, [r]because of his people Israel.

3 ¶ And David [s]took [‡]more wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons and daughters.

4 Now [t]these *are* the names of *his* children which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,

5 And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

7 And Elishama, and [u]Beeliada, and Eliphalet.

8 ¶ And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard *of it*, and went out against them.

9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves [v]in the valley of Rephaim.

10 And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand.

11 So they came up to Baal-perazim; and David smote them there. Then David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like [x]the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place [y]Baal-perazim.

12 And when they had left their gods there, David gave a commandment, and they were burned with fire.

13 And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the valley.

14 Therefore David enquired again of God; and God said unto him, Go not up after them; turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, *that* then thou shalt go out to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines.

16 David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines, from [z]Gibeon even to Gazer.

17 And [a]the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD brought the fear of him upon all nations.

CHAP. XV.

AND *David* made him houses in the city of David, and [b]prepared a place for the ark of God, [c]and pitched for it a tent.

2 Then David said, [d]None ought to carry the [e]ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and [f]to minister unto him for ever.

3 And David [g]gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

4 And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

5 Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his [§]brethren an hundred and twenty:

6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:

7 Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:

8 Of the sons of [h]Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:

9 Of the sons of [i]Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:

10 Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.

11 And David called for [k]Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

12 And said unto them, Ye *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites: [l]sanctify yourselves, *both* ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto *the place that* I have prepared for it.

13 For [m]because ye *did it* not at the first, [n]the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15 And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as [o]Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.

16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren *to be* the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

17 So the Levites appointed [p]Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, [q]Asaph

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[*] i. e. *a place of breaches*
[a] 2 Sa. 6. 1.
[b] Jos. 13. 3.
[c] 1 Sa. 6. 21.
[d] Jos. 15. 9, 60.
[e] 1 Sa. 4. 4.
[†] *made a ark to ride.*
[f] Nu. 4. 15.
[g] 2 Sa. 6. 5.
[‡] *songs.*
[h] 2 Sa. 5. 25, *Geba.*
[i] 2 Ch. 26. 8.
[§] Called *Nachon*, 2 Sa. 6. 6.
[‖] *shook it.*
[k] Nu. 4. 15.
[l] Ps. 132. 5. Ac. 7. 46.
[m] Le. 10. 2.
[n] ch. 16. 1.
[*] It is *not to carry the ark of God, but for the Levites.*
[o] Nu. 4. 2., 15, 19, 30. De. 10. 8. 31. 9.
[†] i. e. *The breach of Uzza.*
[p] Is. 66. 21. Je. 33. 17., 22
[r] 1 Ki. 8. 1.
[‡] *removed.*
[§] or, *kinsmen.*
[s] Ge. 30. 27. 39. b. Pr. 10. 22.
[t] 2 Sa. 5. 11, &c
[u] Ex. 6. 22.
[v] Ex. 6. 18.
[x] Ps. 89. 20., 37
[y] Nu. 7
[z] 1 Ki. 10. 9. 2 Ch. 2. 11. Ez. 4. 14. Is. 1. 20., 27.
[a] 1 Sa. 22. 20., 23. 2 Sa. 8. 17. 15. 24. 29, 20. 20. 25. 1 Ki. 2. 35.
[b] De. 17. 17. Pr. 5. 18, 19.
[||] *yet.*
[c] ch. 3. 5.
[d] Ex. 19. 10, 14, 15. 2 Ch. 5. 11. Ese. 43. 11. Joo. 17. 17. Ro. 12. 1, 2. Re. 5. 9, 10.
[e] or, *Elisaphan*, 2 Sa. 5. 16.
[e] ch. 13. 7. 2 Sa. 6. 3.
[f] ch. 13. 10, 11.
[g] ch. 11. 15.
[h] Ex. 25. 14. Nu. 4. 15. 7. 9.
[i] ch. 6. 33.
[k] Ex. 14. 28. Job 30. 14. Mat. 7. 27.
[l] ch. 6. 39.

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the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, [a] Ethan the son of Kushaiah;

18 And with them their brethren of the second *degree*, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Eliphelehu, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, *were appointed to* sound with cymbals of brass;

20 And Zechariah, and [b] Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries [h] on Alamoth;

21 And Mattithiah, and Eliphelehu, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps [†] on the Sheminith to excel.

22 And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, [‡] *was* for [§] song: he instructed about the song, because he *was* skilful.

23 And Berechiah and Elkanah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, [m] did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

25 ¶ So [n] David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.

26 And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.

27 And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the [‡] song with the singers: David also *had* upon him an ephod of linen.

28 Thus [o] all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

29 ¶ And it came to pass, [p] *as* the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.

CHAP. XVI.

SO [a] they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.

2 And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

3 And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine*.

4 ¶ And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to [c] record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with [‡] psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests

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[a] ch. 6. 44.
[b] 2 Sa. 23. 1.
[c] Ps. 105. 1..15
[d] Is. 12. 4.
1 Co. 1. 2.
[e] 1 Ki. 8. 43.
2 Ki. 19. 19
[f] Mar. 14. 26.
Ep. 5. 19.
[g] ch. 28. 9.
Pr. 8. 17.
Is. 45. 19.
55. 6, 7.
Je. 29 13
Mat. 7. 7, 8.
[e] ver. 18, *Jaasiel.*
[h] Ps. 46, title.
[†] or, *on the eighth to oversee.*
Ps. 6, title.
[‡] or, *was for the carriage: he instructed about the carriage.*
[§] *lifting up.*
[i] Ps. 25. 10.
Mal. 4. 4.
[k] De. 7. 9.
[l] Ge. 17. 2.
26. 3.
28. 13.
35. 11.
Lu. 1. 72, 73.
Ac. 3. 25.
He. 6. 13, 14.
[m] Nu. 10. 8.
Ps. 81. 3.
[n] 2 Sa. 6. 12, 13, &c.
1 Ki. 8. 1.
[||] *cord.*
[o] *men of number.*
Ge. 34. 30.
[p] Ge. 12. 17.
20. 3.
Ex. 7. 15..18
[r] Ps. 105. 15.
[s] Ps. 96. 1, &c.
[†] or, *carriage*
[t] Ps. 22. 27.
Is. 12. 2..6.
Da. 4. 1..3.
[u] ch. 13. 8.
[v] Lu. 19. 4.
Ac. 19. 25.
1 Co. 8. 4.
[w] 2 Sa. 6. 16.
[y] Ps. 16. 11.
63. 2.
Jno. 17. 24.
[z] Is. 11. 10.
[a] 1 Co. 15. 10.
2 Co. 12. 9, 10
Ep. 1. 6, 17.. 19.
[b] 2 Sa. 6. 17.. 19.
[c] Is. 49. 8.
Je. 10. 12.
Ho. 1. 3.
[d] Is. 33. 22.
Mat. 6. 13.
Re. 19. 6.
[e] Ps. 24, and 70, title.
[f] Ps. 106. 1.
107. 1.
118. 1.
136. 1.
[g] Ps. 105. 47, 48
[‡] *instruments of psalteries and harps.*

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with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.

7 ¶ Then on that day David delivered [b] first *this psalm* to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

8 Give [c] thanks unto the LORD, [d] call upon his name, [e] make known his deeds among the people.

9 Sing unto him, [f] sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

10 Glory ye in his holy name: let [g] the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

12 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

13 O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

14 He *is* the LORD our God; his judgments *are* in all the earth.

15 Be [i] ye mindful always of his covenant; the word *which* he commanded to [k] a thousand generations;

16 *Even of the* [l] *covenant* which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;

17 And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant,

18 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the [||] lot of your inheritance;

19 When ye were but [o] few, [o] even a few, and strangers in it.

20 And *when* they went from nation to nation, and from *one* kingdom to another people;

21 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he [p] reproved kings for their sakes,

22 *Saying*, [r] Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

23 Sing [s] unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.

24 Declare [t] his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

25 For great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also *is* to be feared above all gods.

26 For all the gods [v] of the people *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.

27 Glory [y] and honour *are* in his presence; strength and gladness *are* in his place.

28 Give unto the LORD, [a] ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD [a] glory and strength.

29 Give unto the LORD the glory *due* unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

30 Fear before him, all the earth: [c] the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let *men* say among the nations, [d] The LORD reigneth.

32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that *is* therein.

33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

34 O [f] give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

35 And [g] say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, *and* glory in thy praise.

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36 Blessed [a] *be* the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And [b] all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.

37 ¶ So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

38 And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be* porters:

39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, [c] before the tabernacle of the LORD [d] in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,

40 To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually [e] morning [h] and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel;

41 And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, [i] because his mercy *endureth* for ever;

42 And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* † porters.

43 And [l] all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

CHAP. XVII.

NOW it came to pass, [a] as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, [b] I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD *remaineth* under curtains.

2 Then [c] Nathan said unto David, Do all [d] that *is* in thine heart; for God *is* with thee.

3 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that [e] the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

4 Go and tell [f] David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

5 For [g] I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day; but § have gone from tent to tent, and from *one* tabernacle *to another*.

6 Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

7 Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, *even* [h] from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over my people Israel:

8 And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and [k] have made thee a name like the name of the great men that *are* in the earth.

9 Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, [l] and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

10 And since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel. Moreover [m] I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

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[a] 1 Ki. 8. 15. Ep. 1. 3. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[b] De. 27. 15.
[c] Pa. 69. 4, 29, 35, 37. Is. 9. 7. Da. 2. 44. Re. 11. 15.
[d] 2Sa. 7. 14, 15
[e] ch. 21. 29. 2 Ch. 1. 3.
[f] Lu. 1. 33.
[g] 1 Ki. 3. 4.
[h] *in the morning, and in the evening.*
[i] Ex. 29. 38. Nu. 28. 3. ver. 34. 2 Ch. 5. 13. 7. 3. Ezr. 3. 11. Je. 33. 11.
[k] Ps. 139. 1. Jno. 21. 17. Ro. 2. 23.
† *for the gate*
[l] 2Sa. 6. 19, 20
[m] Mat. 11. 26. Ep. 1. 9. 11. 3. 11.
‡ *greatnesses*
[n] Ex. 15. 11. De. 33. 26. Is. 40. 18, 25. Je. 10. 6, 7.
[o] 2Sa. 7. 1, &c. Da. 4. 4, 29, 30.
[p] Hag. 1. 4, 9.
[r] Is. 62. 9. Tit. 2. 14.
[s] 1 Co. 13. 9.
[t] 1 Sa. 16. 7. Ps. 20. 4.
[u] Ge. 17. 7. Ro. 9. 4..6. 11. 1, &c. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[v] Nu. 12. 6. Am. 3. 7.
[x] Is. 55. 8, 9. Ro. 11. 33, 34
[y] Is. 66. 1, 2.
[z] Mat. 6. 9, 13. Jno. 12. 28. 17. 1. Phi. 2. 11. 1 Pe. 4. 11.
§ *have been.*
‖ *revealed the ear of thy servant*
• *from after.*
† or, *it hath pleased thee*
[a] Ro. 11. 29. Ep. 1. 3.
[b] Ps. 113. 7, 8. Lu. 1. 52.
[c] 2Sa. 8. 1, &c.
[d] Exe. 37. 25. Am. 9. 15. Re. 21. 4.
‡ or, *Hadadezer,* 2 Sa. 8. 3.
[e] 1 Co. 15. 25, 26.
[f] 2 Sa. 8. 4, *seven hundred.*

11 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go *to be* with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons: and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build me an house, [a] and I will stablish his throne for ever.

13 I [d] will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my mercy away from him, as I took *it* from *him* that was before thee:

14 But [f] I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.

15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

16 ¶ And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who *am* I, O LORD God, and what *is* mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

17 And *yet* this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast *also* spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

18 What can David *speak* more to thee for the honour of thy servant? [k] for thou knowest thy servant.

19 O LORD, for thy servant's sake, [m] and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all *these* ‡ great things.

20 O LORD, [n] *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any* God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people Israel, whom God went [o] to redeem *to be* his own people, to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?

22 For [u] thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD, becamest their God.

23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.

24 Let it even be established, [x] that thy name may be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts *is* the God of Israel, *even* a God to Israel: and *let* the house of David thy servant *be* established before thee.

25 For thou, O my God, hast ‖ told thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy servant hath found *in his heart* to pray before thee.

26 And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

27 Now therefore † let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for [a] thou blessest, O LORD, and *it shall be* blessed for ever.

CHAP. XVIII.

NOW after this [a] it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them, and took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And he smote Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.

3 ¶ And David smote ‡ Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went to stablish his dominion by the river Euphrates.

4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and [f] seven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: David

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also houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them an hundred chariots.

5 And when the Syrians of [o] Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

6 Then David put *garrisons* in Syria-damascus; and the Syrians became David's servants, *and* brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 Likewise from † Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, brought David very much brass, wherewith [b] Solomon made the brasen sea, and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.

9 ¶ Now when § Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer king of Zobah;

10 He *sent* [c] Hadoram his son to king David, to † enquire of his welfare, and † to congratulate him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him; (for Hadarezer ‖ had war with Tou;) and *with him* all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass.

11 ¶ Them also king David dedicated unto the LORD, with the silver and the gold that he brought from all *these* nations; from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

12 Moreover † Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the valley of salt [d] eighteen thousand.

13 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

14 ¶ So David reigned over all Israel, and executed judgment and justice among all his people.

15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, ‡ recorder.

16 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and § Abimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and † Shavsha was scribe;

17 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the sons of David *were* chief † about the king.

CHAP. XIX.

NOW [a] it came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon died, and his son reigned in his stead.

2 And David said, [f] I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his father shewed kindness to me. And David sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father. So the servants of David came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun, to comfort him.

3 But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, § Thinkest [l] thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? are not his servants come unto thee for to search, and to overthrow, and to spy out the land?

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the midst hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.

5 Then there went *certain*, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet them; for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return.

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[o] *Darmesek.*
† *to stink.*
[a] ch. 18. 5, 9.
‡ Called in the book of Samuel, *Belah, and Berothai.*
[b] 1 Ki. 7. 15, 23. 2 Ch. 4. 12, 15, 16.
§ or, *Toi.* 2 Sa. 8. 9.
‖ *the face of the battle was.*
[c] or, *Joram.* 2 Sa. 8. 10
† or, *salute.*
‡ *to bless.*
§ or, *young men.*
‖ *was the man of wars.*
[d] *Abishai.*
[e] Ne. 4. 20. Isa. 22. 22. Ro. 15. 1.
[d] De. 31. 6. Hs. 13. 6.
[e] 1 Sa. 4. 9. Jo. 9. 3. 1 Co. 16. 13.
† *Abishai.*
[f] 1 Sa. 3. 16. Job 1. 21. Is. 39. 8.
[g] 2 Sa. 8. 13, &c.
‡ or, *remembrancer.*
§ i. e. *Euphrates.*
‖ Called *Ahimelech*, 2 Sa. 8. 17.
[o] or, *Shobach* 2 Sa. 10. 16.
† Called *Seraiah*, 2 Sa. 8. 17. and *Shisha*, 1 Ki. 4. 3.
‡ *at the hand of the king.*
[a] 2 Sa. 10. 1, &c.
[f] 1 Sa. 20. 28. 2 Sa. 2. 4, 6. 9. 1, 7. Es. 6. 3.
[l] Ps. 18. 37, 38. 68. 4, 5.
§ *In thine eyes doth David, &c.*
[l] 1 Ch. 13. 5, 7.
[m] 2 Sa. 11. 1.
‖ *at the return of the year.*
[n] 2 Sa. 12. 26.
[o] *the weight of.*

CHAP. XX.

AND [m] it came to pass, that ‖ after the year was expired, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. And [n] Joab smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.

2 And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it [o] to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were*

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precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding much spoil out of the city.

3 And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and cut *them* with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, [a] that there [†] arose war at [‡] Gezer with the Philistines; at which time [b] Sibbechai the Hushathite slew [§] Sippai, *that was* of the children of [‖] the giant: and they were subdued.

5 And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of [c] Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.

6 And yet again [d] there was war at Gath, where was a man of [‡]*great* stature, whose fingers and toes *were* four and twenty, six *on each hand*, and six *on each foot*: and he also was [§] the son of the giant.

7 But when he [‖] defied Israel, Jonathan the son of [e] Shimea David's brother slew him.

8 These were born unto the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

CHAP. XXI.

AND [f] Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.

2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; [‡] and bring the number of them to me, [g] that I may know *it*.

3 And Joab answered, The LORD make his people an hundred times so many more as they *be*: but, my lord the king, *are* they not all my lord's servants? why then doth my lord require this thing? [h] why will he be a cause of trespass to Israel?

4 Nevertheless [i] the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

5 ¶ And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people unto David. And all *they of* Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand men that drew sword: and Judah *was* four hundred threescore and ten thousand men that drew sword.

6 But [k] Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abominable to Joab.

7 § And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel.

8 And David said unto God, [l] I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: [m] but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's [n] seer, saying,

10 Go and tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I [‡] offer thee three *things*: choose thee one of them, that I may do *it* unto thee.

11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [o] Choose thee

12 Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh *thee*; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD des-

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[a] or, *many.*
[b] 2 Sa. 21. 18.
[†] *stood*, or, *continued.*
[‡] or, *Gob.*
[c] ch. 11. 29.
[d] 2 Sa. 24. 16.
[§] or, *Saph.* 2 Sa. 21. 18.
[‖] or, *Rapha.*
[e] Ge. 6. 6.
[e] Called also *Jaare-oregim*, 2 Sa. 21. 19.
[†] or, *Araunah*, 2 Sa. 24. 18.
[f] 2 Sa. 21. 20.
[‡] *measure.*
[§] *born to the giant*, or, *Rapha.*
[f] Nu. 14. 5. 16. 22.
[‖] or, *reproached.*
[e] Called *Shammah*, 1 Sa. 16. 9.
[g] Ps. 51. 4.
[h] Jno. 10. 11, 12 Ro. 9. 3. 1 Jno. 3. 16.
[i] 2 Sa. 24. 1, &c. Job 1 6..12. 2 1..7. Zec. 3. 1. Mat. 4. 3. Lu. 22. 31. Jno. 13. 2. Ac. 5. 3. Re. 12. 10.
[k] 2 Ch. 3. 1.
[l] ch. 27. 23.
[m] De. 5. 11..17 Pr. 29. 23.
[†] or, *When Ornan turned back and saw the angel, then he and his four sons with him hid themselves.*
[n] Ge. 20. 9. Ex. 32. 21.
[o] Ec. 8. 4.
[‡] *Give.*
[p] Nu. 16. 48. 25. 8.
[r] ch. 27. 24.
[§] *And it was evil in the eyes of the LORD concerning this thing.*
[s] 2 Sa. 24. 10. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[t] Ge. 14. 23. 23. 13. De. 16. 16, 17 Mal. 1. 12.. 14.
[u] 2 Sa. 12. 13.
[v] 2 Sa. 24. 24.
[w] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[‖] *stretch out.*
[y] Ps. 51. 15. 91. 15.
[z] Le. 9. 24.
[a] *Take to thee.*

troying throughout all the coasts of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.

13 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the LORD; for very [p] great *are* his mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man.

14 ¶ So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

15 And God sent an [r] angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and [s] he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshing-floor of [†] Ornan the Jebusite.

16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders *of Israel, who were* clothed in sackcloth, [t] fell upon their faces.

17 And David said unto God, [u] *Is it* not I *that* commanded the people *to be* numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? [v] let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued.

18 ¶ Then the [w] angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

19 And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of the LORD.

20 [†] And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him hid themselves. Now Ornan was threshing wheat.

21 And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with *his* face to the ground.

22 Then David said to Ornan, [‡] Grant me the place of *this* threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein unto the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price: [x] that the plague may be stayed from the people.

23 And Ornan said unto David, Take *it* to thee, and let my lord the king do *that which is* good in his eyes: lo, I give *thee* the oxen *also* for burnt offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the meat offering; I give it all.

24 And king David said to Ornan, [y] Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take *that* which *is* thine for the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

25 So [z] David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight.

26 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and [a] called upon the LORD; and [b] he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

27 And the LORD commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again into the sheath thereof.

28 ¶ At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.

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29 For [a] the tabernacle of the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, *were* at that season in the high place at [b] Gibeon.

30 But David could not go before it to enquire of God: for he was afraid because of the sword of the angel of the LORD.

CHAP. XXII.

THEN David said, [c] This *is* the house of the LORD God, and this *is* the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.

2 And David commanded to gather together [d] the strangers that *were* in the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.

3 And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance [e] without weight;

4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for the [f] Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

5 And David said, [m] Solomon my son *is* young and tender, and the house *that is* to be builded for the LORD *must be* exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will *therefore* now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.

6 [n] Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel.

7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, [r] it was in my mind to build an house [s] unto the name of the LORD my God:

8 But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, [u] Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight.

9 Behold, [v] a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him [w] rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be ‖ Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.

10 He [y] shall build an house for my name; and [z] he shall be my son, and I *will be* his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.

11 Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the LORD thy God, as he hath said of thee.

12 Only the LORD [a] give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD thy God.

13 Then [b] shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: [c] be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.

14 Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron [e] without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto.

15 Moreover *there are* workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and [†] workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work.

16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, *there is* no number. Arise *therefore*, and be doing, and [o] the LORD be with thee.

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[a] ch. 16. 39.
[b] 1 Ki. 3. 4. 2 Ch. 1. 3.
[c] De. 12. 10. Jos. 22. 4. 2 Sa. 7. 1.
[d] 2 Ch. 20. 3.
[e] ch. 21. 18, 19, 26, 28. 2 Ch. 3. 1.
[f] 1 Ki. 8. 6, 21. 2 Ch. 5. 7. 6. 11.
[g] 1 Ki. 9. 21.
[h] 1 Ki. 1. 33. 39
[i] ver. 14. 1 Ki. 7. 47.
[k] 1 Ki. 5. 8.
[l] Nu. 4. 3, 47.
[m] ch. 29. 1.
[o] or, *to overdare*
[n] De. 16. 18.
[p] 2 Ch. 29. 25. 28. Am. 6. 5.
[q] Ex. 6. 16. Nu. 26. 57.
[†] *divisions.*
[r] ch. 17. 1. 28. 2. 2 Sa. 7. 2. 1 Ki. 8. 17.
[s] De. 12. 5, 11.
[t] ch. 26. 21.
[‡] or, *Libni*, ch. 6. 17.
[u] ch. 28. 3. 1 Ki. 5. 3.
[v] ch. 28. 5.
[§] or, *Zizah*, ver. 11.
[w] 1 Ki. 4. 25. 5. 4.
‖ i. e. *peaceable.*
[x] *did not multiply sons.*
[y] ch. 17. 12, 13. 28. 6. 2 Sa. 7. 13. 1 Ki. 5. 5.
[z] He. 1. 5.
[a] Ex. 28. 1. He. 5. 4.
[b] Ex. 30. 7. 1 Sa. 2. 28.
[c] 1 Ki. 3. 9. 12. Ps. 72. 1.
[d] De. 31. 5.
[e] Nu. 6. 23
[f] ch. 26. 23. 25
[g] Jo. 1. 7. 8.
[h] Ex. 3. 22. 18. 3, 4.
[i] De. 31. 7, 8.
[†] *Shubael*, ch. 24. 20.
[‡] or, *poverty.*
[k] ch. 26. 25.
[§] or, *the first.*
‖ *were highly multiplied.*
[l] ver. 3.
[•] *Shelomith*, ch. 24. 22.
[m] ch. 24. 23.
[†] i. e. *masons and carpenters.*
[n] ch. 24. 26.
[o] ver. 11.

17 ¶ David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,

18 *Is* not the LORD your God with you? [g] and hath he *not* given you rest on every side? for he hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand: and the land is subdued before the LORD, and before his people.

19 Now [h] set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the LORD God, to [i] bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.

CHAP. XXIII.

SO when David was old and full of days, he made [k] Solomon his son king over Israel.

2 ¶ And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of [l] thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and eight thousand.

4 Of which, twenty and four thousand *were* [o] to set forward the work of the house of the LORD; and six thousand *were* [n] officers and judges:

5 Moreover four thousand *were* porters; and four thousand praised the LORD with the instruments [p] which I made, *said David*, to praise *therewith*.

6 And [p] David divided them into [†] courses among the sons of Levi, *namely*, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

7 ¶ Of the [r] Gershonites *were*, [‡] Laadan, and Shimei.

8 The sons of Laadan; the chief *was* Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These *were* the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

10 And the sons of Shimei *were*, Jahath, [§] Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four *were* the sons of Shimei.

11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah [x] had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to *their* father's house.

12 ¶ The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and [a] Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, [b] to burn incense before the LORD, [d] to minister unto him, and [e] to bless in his name for ever.

14 Now *concerning* Moses the man of God, [f] his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.

15 The [h] sons of Moses *were*, Gershom, and Eliezer.

16 Of the sons of Gershom, [†] Shebuel *was* the chief.

17 And the sons of Eliezer *were*, [k] Rehabiah [§] the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah [‖] were very many.

18 Of the sons of Izhar; [•] Shelomith the chief.

19 Of [m] the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the first, and Jesiah the second.

21 ¶ The [n] sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.

22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons,

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but daughters: and their [o] brethren the sons of Kish [d] took them.

23 The [b] sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

24 ¶ These *were* the sons of [d] Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of the LORD, from the age of [e] twenty years and upward.

25 For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his people, † that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever:

26 And also unto the Levites; they shall no *more* [f] carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof.

27 For by the last words of David the Levites *were* ‡ numbered from twenty years old and above:

28 Because their § office *was* to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the LORD, in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house of God;

29 Both for [h] the shewbread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the [i] unleavened cakes, and for *that which is baked* in the ‖ pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of [l] measure and size;

30 And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even;

31 And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD [m] in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the [n] set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the LORD:

32 And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the holy *place*, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the LORD.

CHAP. XXIV.

NOW *these are* the divisions of the sons of Aaron. [a] The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

2 But [t] Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

3 And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

4 And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and *thus* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen chief men of the house of *their* fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5 Thus were they [x] divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors *of the house* of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel [y] the scribe, *one* of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and *before* the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: one ‖ principal household being taken for Eleazar, and *one* taken for Ithamar.

7 Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

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[o] or, *kinsmen*
[d] Nu. 36. 6, 8.
[b] ch. 24. 30.
[d] Ne. 12. 4, 17. Lu. 1. 5.
[d] Nu. 10. 17, 21
[e] Nu. 1. 3. 8. 24. Ezr. 3. 8.
† or, *and he dwelleth in Jerusalem.*
[f] Nu. 4. 5, &c.
‡ *number.*
§ *station* was *at the hand of the sons of Aaron* Ne. 11. 24.
[g] ch. 9. 25.
[h] Ex. 25. 30.
[i] ch. 23. 16, *Shebuel.*
[k] Le. 2. 4..7.
‖ or, *flat plate.*
[l] Le. 19. 35.
[m] ch. 23. 18, *Shelomith.*
[n] ch. 23. 19. 26. 31.
[o] Ps. 81. 3.
[p] Le. 23. 4.
[q] Ex. 6. 19.
[r] Le. 10. 1, 6. Nu. 26. 60.
[t] Nu. 3. 4.
[u] ch. 6. 33, 39, 44.
[v] 1 Sa. 10. 5. 2 Ki. 9. 15. 1 Co. 14. 1, 24..26.
[x] Jos. 18. 10. Pr. 16. 33. Ac. 1. 26.
[y] Ps. 81. 2. 92. 1..3. 150 3..5. Re. 14. 2, 3. 15. 2..4.
[o] Otherwise called *Jesharelah*, ver. 14.
[z] 1 Ki. 4. 3. Mat. 8. 19. 13. 52.
† *by the hands of the king*, ver. 6.
‡ or, *Izri*, ver. 11.
§ With Shimei mentioned, ver. 17.
‖ *house of the father.*
[a] Je. 33. 11.
[o] or, *Asarel*, ver. 19.
† or, *Shubael*, ver. 20.

9 The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,

10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to [c] Abijah,

11 The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah,

12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,

13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,

14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,

15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel,

17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,

18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.

19 These *were* the orderings of them in their service [g] to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.

20 ¶ And the rest of the sons of Levi *were these:* Of the sons of Amram; [t] Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.

21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah.

22 Of the Izharites; [m] Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

23 And the sons *of* [n] *Hebron;* Jeriah *the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

24 *Of* the sons of Uzziel; Michah: *of* the sons of Michah; Shamir.

25 The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.

26 The [r] sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.

27 ¶ The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

28 Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.

29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish *was* Jerahmeel.

30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

31 These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

CHAP. XXV.

MOREOVER David and the captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of [u] Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should [v] prophesy with [y] harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:

2 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and [o] Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied † according to the order of the king.

3 Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and ‡ Zeri, and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, § six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, [a] to give thanks and to praise the LORD.

4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, [o] Uzziel, † Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah,

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Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, *and* Mahazioth:

5 All these *were* the sons of Heman the king's seer in the [a] words of God, to lift up the horn. And [c] God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

6 All these *were* under the hands of their father [b] for song in the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, [‡] according [d] to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the LORD, *even* all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight.

8 ¶ And they cast lots, ward against *ward*, as well the small as the great, [f] the teacher as the scholar.

9 Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons *were* twelve:

10 The third to Zaccur, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

11 The fourth to Izri, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

13 The sixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

14 The seventh to [i] Jesharelah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

15 The eighth to Jeshaiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

16 The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

17 The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

18 The eleventh to [k] Azareel, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

25 The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

31 The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve.

CHAP. XXVI.

CONCERNING the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites *was* [l] Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of [m] Asaph.

2 And the sons of Meshelemiah *were*, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

3 Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

4 Moreover the sons of Obed-edom *were*, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the

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[a] or, *matters.*
[c] Ge. 33. 5. 1 Sa. 1. 17, 27. Ps. 127. 3. 128. 3. Is. 8. 18.
† i. e. Obed-edom, as ch. 13. 14.
[b] Ps. 68. 25. Ep. 5. 19. Col. 3. 16.
[d] 2 Ch. 35. 17. Ne. 11. 14. 1 Ti. 6. 12. 2 Ti. 2. 3.
‡ *by the hands of the king.*
[d] ver. 2.
[e] Mat. 25. 15. 2 Co. 3. 6. 1 Pe. 4. 11.
[f] 2 Ch. 23. 13.
[g] Jos. 1. 7. 2 Sa. 1. 23. Ep. 6. 10. 2 Ti. 2. 1.
[h] ch. 16. 38.
[i] ver. 2. *Azareliah.*
§ or, *as well for the small as for the great.*
|| Called *Meshelemiah*, ver. 1.
[l] *gatherings.*
[k] ver. 4. *Uzziel.*
[l] 1 Ki. 10. 5. 2 Ch. 9. 4.
[m] ch. 25. 12. 1 Ki. 14. 26. 15. 18. Mal. 3. 10.
† *holy things.*
1 Ki. 7. 51. 2 Ch. 31. 11. 12.
‡ or, *Libni*, ch. 6. 17.
§ or, *Jehiel*, ch. 23. 8. 29. 8.
[n] ch. 23. 16.
[o] ch. 23. 18.
|| or, *Shelemiah*, ver. 14.
[o] or, *Ebiasaph*, ch. 6. 37. 9. 19.
† *the battles and spoils.*
[p] 2 Ki. 12. 14. Ne. 10. 38. 34.
[r] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[s] 1 Sa. 14. 47 ..51.

second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth,

5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed † him.

6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: [s] for they were mighty men of valour.

7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren *were* strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

8 All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, [t] able men for strength for the service, *were* threescore and two of Obed-edom.

9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, [u] strong men, eighteen.

10 Also [x] Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the chief, (for *though* he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief;)

11 Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah *were* thirteen.

12 Among these *were* the divisions of the porters, *even* among the chief men, *having* wards one against another, to minister in the house of the LORD.

13 ¶ And they cast lots, § as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, for every gate.

14 And the lot eastward fell to ‖ Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.

15 To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of [a] Asuppim.

16 To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the [b] going up, ward against ward.

17 Eastward *were* six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two *and* two.

18 At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.

19 These *are* the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

20 ¶ And of the Levites, Ahijah *was* over [c] the treasures of the house of God, and over the treasures of the † dedicated things.

21 *As concerning* the sons of ‡ Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers, *even* of Laadan the Gershonite, *were* § Jehieli.

22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which* were over the treasures of the house of the LORD.

23 Of the Amramites, *and* the Izharites, the Hebronites, *and* the Uzzielites:

24 And [d] Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* ruler of the treasures.

25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and [e] Shelomith his son.

26 Which Shelomith and his brethren *were* over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which David the king, and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated.

27 Out of † the spoils won in battles did they dedicate [f] to maintain the house of the LORD.

28 And all that Samuel [r] the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and [s] Abner the son

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of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; *and* whosoever had dedicated *any thing, it was* under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.

29 ¶ Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons *were* for the outward business over Israel, for [b] officers and judges.

30 *And* of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of valour, a thousand and seven hundred, *were* † officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD, and in the service of the king.

31 Among the Hebronites *was* [c] Jerijah the chief, *even* among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found among them mighty men of valour [f] at Jazer of Gilead.

32 And his brethren, men of valour, *were* two thousand and seven hundred chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and ‡ affairs [g] of the king.

CHAP. XXVII.

NOW the children of Israel after their number, *to wit*, the chief fathers and [h] captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course *were* twenty and four thousand.

2 Over the first course for the first month *was* [i] Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

3 Of the children of Perez *was* the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.

4 And over the course of the second month *was* ‖ Dodai an Ahohite, and of his course *was* Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise *were* twenty and four thousand.

5 The third captain of the host for the third month *was* Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a † chief priest: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

6 This *is that* Benaiah, *who was* [m] mighty *among* the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course *was* Ammizabad his son.

7 The fourth *captain* for the fourth month *was* [n] Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

8 The fifth captain for the fifth month *was* Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

9 The sixth *captain* for the sixth month *was* ° Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

10 The seventh *captain* for the seventh month *was* [p] Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

11 The eighth *captain* for the eighth month *was* [q] Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

12 The ninth *captain* for the ninth month *was* [r] Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

13 The tenth *captain* for the tenth month *was* [s] Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

14 The eleventh *captain* for the eleventh month *was* [t] Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

15 The twelfth *captain* for the twelfth month *was* [u] Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

16 ¶ Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites *was* Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

17 Of the Levites, [x] Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:

18 Of Judah, [y] Elihu, *one* of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

19 Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:

20 Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:

21 Of the half *tribe* of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These *were* the princes of the tribes of Israel.

23 ¶ But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and under: because the LORD had said he would increase Israel like to the stars of the heavens.

24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath for it against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

25 ¶ And over the king's treasures *was* Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, *was* Jehonathan the son of Uzziah:

26 And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground *was* Ezri the son of Chelub:

27 And over the vineyards *was* Shimei the Ramathite: ° over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars *was* Zabdi the Shiphmite:

28 And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that *were* in the low plains *was* Baal-hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil *was* Joash:

29 And over the herds that fed in Sharon *was* Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds *that were* in the vallies *was* Shaphat the son of Adlai:

30 Over the camels also *was* Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses *was* Jehdeiah the Meronothite:

31 And over the flocks *was* Jaziz the Hagerite. All these *were* the rulers of the substance which *was* king David's.

32 Also Jonathan David's uncle was a counsellor, a wise man, and a † scribe: and Jehiel the ‡ son of Hachmoni *was* with the king's sons:

33 And [z] Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor: and [a] Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion:

34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and [b] Abiathar: and the general of the king's army *was* [c] Joab.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND David assembled all the princes of Israel, [d] the princes of the tribes, and the

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[a] ch. 11. 31.
[b] ch. 23. 4. Ia. 60. 17
[c] or, *Heled*, ch. 11. 30.
† *over the charge.*
[c] ch. 23. 19.
[d] ch. 26. 30.
[e] 1 Sa. 16. 6, *Eliab.*
[f] Jos. 21. 39.
‡ *thing.*
[g] 2 Ch. 19. 11.
[h] Ex. 18. 25. De. 1. 15. 1 Sa. 8. 12.
[i] Ge. 15. 5. De. 1. 10. He. 11. 12.
[k] ch. 11. 11. 2 Sa. 23. 8.
[l] ch. 21. 7. 2 Sa. 24. 15.
§ *ascended.*
‖ or, *Dodo*, 2 Sa. 23. 9.
° *over that which was of the vineyards.*
† or, *principal officer*, 1 Ki. 4. 5.
[m] ch. 11. 22. & 2 Sa. 23. 20. 22, 23.
[n] 2 Sa. 2. 18. 23. 24.
[o] ch. 11. 28.
[p] ch. 11. 27.
‡ or, *secretary.*
§ or, *Hachmonite.*
[r] 2 Sa. 15. 12.
[s] ch. 11. 29. 2 Sa. 21. 18.
[t] 2 Sa. 15 37. 16. 16.
[u] 1 Ki. 1. 7.
[x] ch. 11. 28.
[y] ch. 11. 6.
[z] 2 Sa. 23. 28.
[a] ch. 27. 16.

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captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and * possession of the king, † and of his sons, with the ‡ officers, and with [a] the mighty men, and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.

2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: *As for me,* [b] I *had* in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for [c] the footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building:

3 But God said unto me, [d] Thou shalt not build an house for my name, because thou *hast been* a man of war, and hast shed § blood.

4 Howbeit the LORD God of Israel [e] chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen [h] Judah *to be* the ruler; and of the house of Judah, [k] the house of my father; and among the sons of my father [m] he liked me to make *me* king over all Israel:

5 And [n] of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) [p] he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

6 And he said unto me, [q] Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and my courts: for I have chosen him *to be* my son, and I will be his father.

7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, [r] if he be ‖ constant to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day.

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, [s] keep and seek for all the commandments of the LORD your God: that ye may possess this good land, and leave *it* for an inheritance for your children after you for ever.

9 [t] And thou, Solomon my son, [u] know thou the God of thy father, and serve him [x] with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for [y] the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: [z] if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

10 Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do *it*.

11 [a] Then David gave to Solomon his son [b] the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat,

12 And the pattern [c] of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things:

13 Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.

14 He *gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; *silver also* for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

15 Even the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by

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* or, *cattle.*
† or, *and his sons.*
‡ or, *eunuchs*
[a] ch. 11. 10.
[b] 2 Sa. 7. 2. Ps. 132. 3, 5.
[c] Ps. 99. 5. 132. 7.
[d] ch. 17. 4. 22. 8. 1 Ki. 5. 3.
[e] Ex. 25. 19, 22. 1 Sa. 4. 4. 1 Ki. 6. 23, &c.
§ *bloods.*
[f] Ex. 25. 40.
[g] 1 Sa. 16. 7, 13.
[h] Ge. 49. 8. Ps. 60. 7. 78. 68.
[i] De. 31. 7, 8. Jos. 1. 6, 7, 9.
[k] 1 Sa. 26. 1.
[l] Ro. 8. 31.
[m] Ps. 18. 19. 147. 10, 11.
[n] Jos. 1. 5. He. 13. 5.
[o] ch. 3. 1, &c. 23. 1.
[p] ch. 22. 9.
[q] ch. XXIV. XXVI.
[r] 28a. 7. 13, 14. 2 Ch. 1. 9.
[s] Ex. 35. 25, 26. 36. 1, 2.
[t] ch. 22. 13.
‖ *strong.*
[u] Ps. 119. 4. Pr. 2. 1. 5. Is. 34. 16. Ac. 17. 11.
[x] 1 Ki. 3. 7. Pr. 4. 3.
[y] Ec. 9. 10. 2 Co. 8. 3. Col. 3. 23. 1 Pe. 4. 10, 11.
[z] Je. 9. 24. Ho. 4. 1. Jno. 17. 3.
[a] 2 Ki. 20. 3. Ps. 101. 2.
[b] 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ki. 8. 39. Ps. 7. 9. 139. 2. Pr. 17. 3. Je. 11. 20. 17. 10. 20. 12. Re. 2. 23.
[c] 2 Ch. 15. 2. Mat. 7. 7, 8.
[d] Is. 54. 11, 12. Re. 21. 18, &c.
[e] Ps. 26. 8. 27. 4. 84. 1, 10. cxxii.
[f] Pr. 3. 9, 10.
[g] Ex. 25. 40.
[h] 1 Ki. 9. 28.
* *of all that was with him.*
† *to All his hand.*
[i] ch. 27. 1.
[k] ch. 27. 25, &c.

weight for every candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight, *both* for the candlestick, and *also* for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every candlestick.

16 And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

17 Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden basons *he gave gold* by weight for every bason; and *likewise silver* by weight for every bason of silver:

18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the [e] cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

19 All *this, said David,* the LORD made me understand in writing by *his* hand upon me, *even* all the works of this pattern.

20 And David said to Solomon his son, [f] Be strong and of good courage, and do *it:* [g] fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, *even* my God, *will be* with thee; [h] he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

21 And, behold, [i] the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with thee* for all the service of the house of God: and *there shall be* with thee for all manner of workmanship [k] every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people *will be* wholly at thy commandment.

CHAP. XXIX.

FURTHERMORE David the king said unto all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hath chosen, *is yet* [a] young and tender, and the work *is* great: for the palace *is* not for man, but for the LORD God.

2 Now I have prepared [b] with all my might for the house of my God the gold for *things to be made* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and the brass for *things* of brass, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; [c] onyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

3 Moreover, [d] because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of [f] mine own proper good, of gold and silver, *which* I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,

4 *Even* three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of [h] Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses *withal:*

5 The gold for *things* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of artificers. And who *then* is willing [i] to consecrate his service this day unto the LORD?

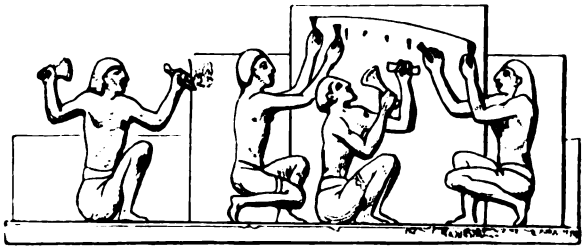
6 [k] Then the chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with [l] the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

7 And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

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SHEEPCOTES.— *Original Sketch.*—1 Chron. xvii. 7.



EGYPTIAN MASONS.— *Descriptione de l' Egypte.*—1 Chron. xxii. 2.



EASTERN MODE OF SUBMISSION.— *Various.*—1 Chron. xxix. 20.

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8 And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house of the LORD, by the hand of [b] Jehiel the Gershonite.

9 Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they [c] offered willingly to the LORD: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

10 ¶ Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *be* thou, LORD God of Israel [d] our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thine, [e] O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine;* thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

12 Both [f] riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to [h] give strength unto all.

13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

14 But who *am* I, and what *is* my people, that we should [m] be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things *come* of thee, and [‡] of thine own have we given thee.

15 For [k] we *are* strangers before thee, and sojourners, as *were* all our fathers: [m] our days on the earth *are* as a shadow, and *there is* none [§] abiding.

16 O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name *cometh* of thine hand, and *is* all thine own.

17 I know also, my God, that thou [p] triest the heart, and [r] hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy thy people, which are [||] present here, to offer willingly unto thee.

18 O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and [†] prepare their heart unto thee:

19 And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace *for* the which [*] I have made provision.

20 ¶ And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped the LORD, and the king.

21 And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, *even* a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, *and* a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:

22 And did eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and [t] anointed *him* unto the LORD *to be* the chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.

23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

24 And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, [†] submitted [‡] themselves unto Solomon the king.

25 And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and [‡] bestowed upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.

26 ¶ Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

27 And [m] the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years; [*] seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three *years* reigned he in Jerusalem.

28 And he [e] died in a good old age, [t] full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the [*] book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,

30 With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.

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[a] ch. 22. 14.
[b] ch. 26. 21.
[c] Ps. 110. 3. 2 Co. 9. 7.
[d] Is. 63. 16. Lu. 11. 2, 13. Ro. 1. 7. 8. 15. Phi. 4. 20. 2 Th. 2. 16.
[e] Mat. 6. 13. 1 Ti. 1. 17. Re. 5. 13.
[f] Ro. 11. 36.
[g] 1 Ki. 1. 35, 39.
[h] Is. 40. 29. 45. 24. Ep. 3. 16. Phi. 4. 13. Col. 1. 11.
[i] *retain*, or, *obtain strength.*
[k] *gave the handunder Solomon.* Ge. 24. 2. 47. 29.
[l] 2 Ch. 30. 8. Eze. 17. 18.
[m] Ec. 8. 7.
[‡] *of thine hand.*
[k] ch. 30. 12. Ho. 11. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 11.
[l] 1 Ki. 3. 13. 2 Ch. 1. 12. Ec. 2. 9.
[m] Job 14. 2. Ps. 90. 9. 102. 11. 144. 4.
[§] *expectation*
[n] 2 Sa. 5. 4. 1 Ki. 2. 11.
[o] 2 Sa. 5. 5.
[p] ch. 28. 9. 1 Sa. 16. 7.
[r] Pr. 11. 20.
[s] Ge. 25. 8.
[t] ch. 23. 1.
[||] or, *found.*
[*] *words*, or, *history.*
[†] or, *stablish.* Ps. 10. 17.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. XVII.7.—SHEEPCOTES. These are much used in the East to guard against nomade robbers and wild beasts. The sketch will sufficiently explain itself. The numerous flocks and folds in the country afforded the Saviour a striking subject for shewing the care which he takes of his own sheep. They are the objects of his deep solicitude, and are "one fold under one shepherd," Jno. x.

CH. XXII.—EGYPTIAN MASONS. Caves, dens, and holes in the rocks, seem to have been the primitive habitations, and are still used by shepherds in the East. The necessity of moving about in search of pasture obliged the first inhabitants of the earth to look for other means of shelter, and necessity became the mother of invention; hence arose tents, which were used when caverns happened to be at a distance. Still the tent was an incommodious habitation. The natural desire of every family to live by themselves suggested the idea of houses, constructed of more durable materials than the tent. Hurdles, daubed with mud, are used in Barbary. The lower orders in Egypt dwell in houses of unburnt brick. These habitations are only one story high, but those of the higher classes are of stone, and generally two, and sometimes three stories high. These facts are a lively comment on the words of the prophet (Isa. lx. 9, 10.) Bricks dried in the sun are poor materials for building, compared with hewn stone, which in Egypt is almost equal to marble; and forms a strong contrast between the splendid palace and mud-walled cabin. David would have the best workmen and the best materials for the house of God. Notwithstanding the rough and ill-proportioned figures of the Egyptians, they have graphically recorded many of their manners and customs; and the cut we have given on this subject carries us back to the earliest days of the masonic art. But the most solid and splendid mansions, built to endure for ages, have passed away, and what the ravages of time would have spared, the rude hands of man have destroyed. By faith we rise above such objects of ambition, and see prepared for the happy believer in Jesus "a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, whose maker and builder is God."

CH. XXIX.—SUBMISSION. The Hebrew word means 'gave the hand under,' and it is expressive, and quite Oriental. 'See the man,' says Roberts, 'who wishes to submit to a superior: he stands at a short distance, then stooping, he keeps moving his hands to the ground, and says, "I submit my lord." "You recollect having heard that Kandan and Chinnan had a serious quarrel?" "Yes, I heard it." "Well, they have settled the matter now, for Chinnan went to him last evening, and 'gave his hand under.'"'—*Oriental Illustrations.* Happy are they who have submitted themselves to Christ, for his yoke is easy and his burden light!

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CHAP. I.

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AND [a] Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and [b] the LORD his God *was* with him, and [c] magnified him exceedingly.

2 Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to [d] the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every governor in all Israel, the chief of the fathers.

3 So Solomon, and all the congregation with him, went to the high place that *was* at [e] Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the congregation of God, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in the wilderness.

4 But [f] the ark of God had David brought up from Kirjath-jearim to *the place which* David had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem.

5 Moreover [g] the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, † he put before the tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.

6 And Solomon went up thither to the brasen altar before the LORD, which *was* at the tabernacle of the congregation, and offered a thousand burnt offerings upon it.

7 ¶ In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, [h] Ask what I shall give thee.

8 And Solomon said unto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David my father, and hast made me [i] to reign in his stead.

9 Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be established: for thou hast made me king over a people [k] like the dust of the earth in multitude.

10 Give [l] me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may [m] go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, *that is so* great?

11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:

12 Wisdom and knowledge *is* granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as [n] none of the kings have had that *have been* before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.

13 ¶ Then Solomon came *from his journey* to the high place that *was* at Gibeon to Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation, and reigned over Israel.

14 And [o] Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

15 And [p] the king [q] made silver and gold at Jerusalem *as plenteous as* stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.

16 And † Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.

17 And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out *horses* for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, by their [r] means.

[a] 1 Ki. 2. 46.
[b] Ge. 39. 2.
[c] 1 Ch. 29. 25.
[d] *heard.*
[e] 1 Ch. 27. 1.
[f] 1 Ki. 5. 5.
[g] 1 Ki. 5. 15.
[h] 1 Ki. 3. 4, &c.
1 Ch. 16. 39. 21. 29.
[i] 1 Sa. 6. 2, 17.
1 Ch. 13. 1.
† or, *Hiram*, 1 Ki. 5. 1.
[k] 1 Ch. 14. 1.
[l] Ex. 27. 1, 2. 38. 1, 2.
‡ or, *was there.*
[m] Ex. 28. 3, 9. 11.
[n] Mat. 7. 7, 8. Mar. 10. 36, 37, 51. Jno. 16. 23. 1 Jno. 5. 14, 15.
[o] Ps. 135. 5.
[p] ch. 6. 18. 1 Ki. 8. 27. Is. 66. 1.
|| *hath retained*, or, *obtained strength.*
[q] 1 Ch. 29. 5.
[r] *much as the dust.*
[s] Ja. 1. 5.
† *to grace gravings.*
[t] Nu. 27. 17. De. 31. 2.
[u] 1 Ch. 22. 15.
[x] 1 Ki. 5. 6.
‡ or, *almug-trees.*
§ *great and wonderful.*
[y] 1 Ki. 5. 11.
[z] ch. 9. 22. 1 Ch. 29. 25. Ec. 2. 9.
[a] 1 Ki. 10. 9.
[b] 1 Ki. 4. 26. 10. 26, &c.
[c] 1 Ki. 5. 7.
[d] Ge. 1. 1, &c. Ps. 33. 6. 102. 25. 124. 8. 136. 5, 6. Ac. 4. 24. 14. 15. Re. 10. 6.
|| *knowing prudence and understanding.*
[e] Job 22. 24.
[f] *gave.*
† *the going forth of the horses which was Solomon's.*

CHAP. II.

AND Solomon [a] determined to build an house for the name of the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.

2 And [b] Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.

3 ¶ And Solomon sent to † Huram the king of Tyre, saying, [c] As thou didst deal with David my father, and didst send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, *even so deal with me.*

4 Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate *it* to him, *and* [d] to burn before him § sweet incense, and for [e] the continual shewbread, and for [f] the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the LORD our God. This *is an ordinance* for ever to Israel.

5 And the house which I build *is* great: for [g] great *is* our God above all gods.

6 But [h] who *is* able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who *am* I then, that I should build him an house, save only to burn sacrifice before him?

7 Send me now therefore a man cunning to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can skill † to grave with the cunning men that *are* with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, [i] whom David my father did provide.

8 Send [k] me also cedar trees, fir trees, and ‡ algum trees, out of Lebanon: for I know that thy servants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and, behold, my servants *shall be* with thy servants,

9 Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to build *shall be* § wonderful great.

10 And, [l] behold, I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil.

11 ¶ Then Huram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon, [m] Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee king over them.

12 Huram said moreover, [n] Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, [o] that made heaven and earth, who hath given to David the king a wise son, || endued with prudence and understanding, that might build an house for the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.

13 And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of Huram my father's,

14 The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father *was* a man of

[a] 1 Ki. 5. 5.
[b] 1 Ki. 5. 15.
[c] 1 Ki. 3. 4, &c. 1 Ch. 16. 39. 21. 29.
[d] Le. 24. 8.
[e] Nu. 28. 3, 9, 11.
[f] Mat. 7. 7, 8. Mar. 10. 36, 37, 51. Jno. 16. 23. 1 Jno. 5. 14, 15.
[g] Ps. 135. 5.
[h] ch. 6. 18. 1 Ki. 8. 27. Is. 66. 1.
[i] 1 Ch. 28. 5.
[k] 1 Ch. 22. 15.
[l] 1 Ki. 5. 6.
[m] 1 Ki. 10. 9.
[n] Ge. 14. 19, 20.
[o] Ps. 115. 15. 121. 2. 124. 8. 134. 3. 146. 6.
|| *endued with prudence and understanding.*

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Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which shall be put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father.

15 Now therefore the wheat, and the barley, the oil, and the wine, which my lord hath spoken of, let him send unto his servants:

16 And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, ‖ as much as thou shalt need: and we will bring it to thee in flotes by sea to ‖ Joppa; and thou shalt carry it up to Jerusalem.

17 ¶ And [e] Solomon numbered all [*] the strangers that *were* in the land of Israel, after the numbering wherewith [d] David his father had numbered them; and they were found an hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred.

18 And he set threescore and ten thousand of them *to be* bearers of burdens, and fourscore thousand *to be* hewers in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people a work.

CHAP. III.

THEN [f] Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem [h] in mount Moriah, ‖ where *the LORD* appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshing-floor of [*] Ornan [i] the Jebusite.

2 And he began to build in the second *day* of the second month, in the fourth year of his reign.

3 ¶ Now these *are the things wherein* Solomon was [†] instructed for the building of the house of God. The length by cubits after the first measure *was* threescore cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits.

4 And the [‡] porch that *was* in the front *of the house*, the length *of it was* according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the height *was* an hundred and twenty: and he overlaid it within with pure gold.

5 And the greater house he cieled with fir tree, which he overlaid with fine gold, and set thereon palm trees and chains.

6 And he ‖ garnished the house with [l] precious stones for beauty: and the gold *was* gold of Parvaim.

7 He overlaid also the house, the beams, the posts, and the walls thereof, and the doors thereof, with gold; and graved cherubims on the walls.

8 And he made the most holy house, the length whereof *was* according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits: and he overlaid it with fine gold, *amounting* to six hundred talents.

9 And the weight of the nails *was* fifty shekels of gold. And [p] he overlaid the upper chambers with gold.

10 And [r] in the most holy house he made two cherubims [†] of image work, and overlaid them with gold.

11 ¶ And the wings of the cherubims *were* twenty cubits long: one wing *of the one cherub was* five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing *was likewise* five cubits, reaching to the wing of the other cherub.

12 And *one* wing of the other cherub *was* five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing *was* five cubits

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[*] or, *toward the house.*
[e] Ex. 26. 31. Mat. 27. 51.
† *caused to ascend.*
[h] Je. 52. 21.
‡ *long.*
§ *according to all thy need.*
‖ *Japho,* Jos. 19. 46. Ac. 9. 36.
[c] 1 Ki. 9. 20, 21.
[*] *the men the strangers.*
[d] 1 Ch. 22. 3.
† i. e. *he shall establish.*
‡ i. e. *in it is strength.*
[g] Ex. 27. 1, 2. 2 Ki. 16. 14. Eze. 43. 13, 16.
[f] Ex. 30. 18, 21. 1 Ki. 7. 23, &c.
§ *his brim to his brim.*
[i] 1 Ki. 6. 1, &c.
[h] Ge. 22. 2, 14.
‖ or, *which was seen of David his father.*
[*] or, *Araunah,* 2 Sa. 24. 18.
[l] 1 Ch. 21. 18. 22. 1.
† *founded.*
[k] Jno. 10. 23. Ac. 3. 11. 5. 12.
‡ or, *like a lilyflower.*
§ *the work of burnt offering.*
‖ *covered.*
[t] Is. 54. 11, 12. 1 Co. 3. 12. Re. 21. 18, 21
[m] 1 Ki. 7. 49. Zec. 4. 2. Mat. 5. 14, 15, 16. Jno. 8. 12. Re. 1. 20.
[n] Ex. 25. 31, 40
[*] or, *bowls.*
[o] 1 Ki. 6. 36.
[p] Ex. 26. 29.
[r] 1 Ki. 6. 23, &c. He. 9. 3, 5, 7, 9. 10. 19.
† or, (as some think) *of moveable work.*
‡ or, *bowls.*
§ *finished to make.*

also, joining to the wing of the other cherub.

13 The wings of these cherubims spread themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood on their feet, and their faces *were* [*] inward.

14 ¶ And he made the [n] vail *of* blue, and purple, and crimson, and fine linen, and [†] wrought cherubims thereon.

15 Also he made before the house [o] two pillars of thirty and five cubits ‡ high, and the chapiter that *was* on the top of each of them *was* five cubits.

16 And he made chains, *as* in the oracle, and put *them* on the heads of the pillars; and made an hundred pomegranates, and put *them* on the chains.

17 And he reared up the pillars before the temple, one on the right hand, and the other on the left; and called the name of that on the right hand † Jachin, and the name of that on the left ‡ Boaz.

CHAP. IV.

MOREOVER he made [*] an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length thereof, and twenty cubits the breadth thereof, and ten cubits the height thereof.

2 ¶ Also [f] he made a molten sea of ten cubits from § brim to brim, round in compass, and five cubits the height thereof; and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.

3 And under it *was* the similitude of oxen, which did compass it round about: ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two rows of oxen *were* cast, when it was cast.

4 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.

5 And the thickness of it *was* an handbreadth, and the brim of it like the work of the brim of a cup, † with flowers of lilies; *and* it received and held three thousand baths.

6 ¶ He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five on the left, to wash in them: § such things as they offered for the burnt offering they washed in them; but the sea *was* for the priests to wash in.

7 And he made ten [m] candlesticks of gold [n] according to their form, and set *them* in the temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left.

8 He made also ten tables, and placed *them* in the temple, five on the right side, and five on the left. And he made an hundred [*] basons of gold.

9 ¶ Furthermore [*] he made the court of the priests, and the great court, and doors for the court, and overlaid the doors of them with brass.

10 And he set the sea on the right side of the east end, over against the south.

11 And Huram made the pots, and the shovels, and the ‡ basons. And Huram § finished the work that he was to make for king Solomon for the house of God;

12 *To wit*, the two pillars, and the pommels, and the chapiters *which were* on the top of the two pillars, and the two wreaths to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which *were* on the top of the pillars;

13 And four hundred pomegranates on the two wreaths; two rows of pomegranates on each wreath, to cover the two

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pommels of the chapiters which *were* § upon the pillars.

14 He made also bases, and ‡ lavers made he upon the bases;

15 One sea, and twelve oxen under it.

16 The pots also, and the shovels, and the fleshhooks, and all their instruments, did Huram his father make to king Solomon for the house of the LORD of § bright brass.

17 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the ‖ clay ground between Succoth and Zeredathah.

18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of the brass could not be found out.

19 ¶ And Solomon made all the vessels that *were for* the house of God, the golden altar also, and the tables whereon * the shewbread *was set*;

20 Moreover the candlesticks with their lamps, that they should burn [c] after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold;

21 And the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, *made he of* gold, *and* that † perfect gold;

22 And the snuffers, and the † basons, and the spoons, and the censers, *of* pure gold: and the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof for the most holy *place*, and the doors of the house of the temple, *were of* gold.

CHAP. V.

THUS [m] all the work that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was finished: and Solomon brought in *all* the things that David his father had dedicated; and the silver, and the gold, and all the instruments, put he among the treasures of the house of God.

2 ¶ Then [n] Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD [o] out of the city of David, [p] which *is* Zion.

3 Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king [q] in the feast which *was* in the seventh month.

4 And all the elders of Israel came; and [r] the Levites took up the ark.

5 And they brought up the ark, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, these did the priests *and* the Levites bring up.

6 Also king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel that were assembled unto him before the ark, [s] sacrificed sheep and oxen, which could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

7 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, [t] to the oracle of the house, into the most holy *place*, *even* under the wings of the cherubims:

8 For the cherubims spread forth *their* wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.

9 And they drew out the staves *of the ark*, that the ends of the staves were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not seen without. And ‡ there it is unto this day.

10 *There was* nothing in the ark save the two tables which Moses [b] put *therein* at Horeb, ‖ when [c] the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt.

11 ¶ And it came to pass, when the priests

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* *upon the face of.*
† *found.*
[m] Job 1. 5.
‡ or, *caldrons.*
[b] 1 Ch. 25. 1. Ezr 3 10.11
[c] Ps. 50. title.
[d] Re. 15. 6. 19. 8.
§ *made bright*, or, *scoured.*
[e] 1 Ch. 15. 24. Ps. 68. 25.
‖ *thicknesses of the ground.*
[f] Ps. 95. 1. 2. 100. 1, 2. Is. 52. 8. Ac. 4. 24. Re. 5. 8..14.
[g] Ex. 25. 30. &c.
[h] 1 Ch. 16. 31. 41. Ps. cxxxvi.
[i] Ex. 27. 20, 21
[k] Ex. 40. 35.
* *perfections of gold.*
† or, *bowls.*
[l] Le. 16. 2.
[m] 1 Ki. 8. 12. &c. Ps. 18. 8..11. 97. 2. Na. 1. 5. He. 12. 18.
[m] 1 Ki. 7. 51.
[n] 1 Ki. 8. 1, &c.
[o] 2 Sa. 6. 12.
[p] Ps. 2. 6. 87. 2.
[q] ch. 12. 13.
[r] ch. 7. 8..10. Le. 23. 34.. 36.
[s] 1 Ch. 28. 4.
[t] 2 Sa. 7. 2. 1 Ch. 17. 1. 28. 2.
[u] Nu. 4. 15. Jos. 3. 6. 6. 6.
[x] 2 Sa. 6. 13. 1 Ch. 16. 1, 2. 29. 21.
[y] Ex. 37. 6..9. 1 Ki. 6. 19.. 28. He. 9. 4, 5.
[z] ch. 5. 10.
[a] 1 Ki. 8. 22.
‡ or, *they are there.*
1 Ki. 8. 8.
§ *the length thereof, &c.*
[b] De. 10. 2, 5.
‖ or, *where.*
[c] Ex. 19. 5. 24. 7, 8. De. 29. 1, 10 ..14. Je. 31. 31..34 He. 8. 6..12.
[d] Ex. 15. 11. De. 4. 39. 7. 9. 33. 26.

were come out of the holy *place:* (for all the priests *that were* † present were [u] sanctified, *and* did not *then* wait by course:

12 Also [b] the Levites *which were* the singers, all of them of [c] Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, *being* [d] arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, [e] and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets:)

13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers *were* / as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up *their* voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, *saying*, [h] For *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: that *then* the house was filled with a cloud, *even* the house of the LORD,

14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: [k] for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

CHAP. VI.

THEN [l] said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.

2 But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for thy dwelling for ever.

3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole congregation of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.

4 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled *that* which he spake with his mouth to my father David, saying,

5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt I chose no city among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that my name might be there; neither chose I any man to be a ruler over my people Israel:

6 But [r] I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there; and [s] have chosen David to be over my people Israel.

7 Now [m] it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

8 But the LORD said to David my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an house for my name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart:

9 Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house; but thy son which shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house for my name.

10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken: for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built the house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

11 And in it have I put the ark, [x] wherein *is* the covenant of the LORD, that he made with the children of Israel.

12 ¶ And [a] he stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands:

13 For Solomon had made a brasen scaffold, of five cubits § long, and five cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court: and upon it he stood, and kneeled down upon his knees before all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven,

14 And said, O LORD God of Israel, [d] *there is* no God like thee in the heaven,

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nor in the earth; which [a] keepest covenant, and *shewest* mercy unto thy servants, that walk before thee with all their hearts:

15 Thou [b] which hast kept with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised him; and spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled *it* with thine hand, as *it is* this day.

16 Now therefore, O LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised him, saying, There [c] shall not [§] fail thee a man in my sight to sit upon the throne of Israel; [d] yet so that thy children take heed to their way to walk in my law, as thou hast walked before me.

17 Now then, O LORD God of Israel, let thy word be verified, which thou hast spoken unto thy servant David.

18 But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? [e] behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built!

19 Have respect therefore to the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee:

20 That thine eyes may be open upon this house day and night, upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name there; to hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth [†] toward this place.

21 Hearken therefore unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, which they shall [§] make toward this place: hear thou from thy dwelling place, *even* from heaven; and when thou hearest, forgive.

22 ¶ If a man sin against his neighbour, [•] and an oath be laid upon him to make him swear, and [▲] the oath come before thine altar in this house;

23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, [‡] by requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and [=] by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness.

24 ¶ And if thy people Israel be [†] put to the worse before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee [§] in this house;

25 Then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which [•] thou gavest to them and to their fathers.

26 ¶ When the [r] heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; *yet* if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou dost afflict them;

27 Then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk; and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.

28 ¶ If there [?] be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting, or mildew, locusts, or caterpillers; if their enemies besiege them in the [•] cities of their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness *there be:*

29 *Then* what prayer *or* what supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread forth his hands [*] in this house:

30 Then hear thou from heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and render unto every man according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou only [•] knowest the hearts of the children of men:)

31 That they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, [†] so long as they live [‖] in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

32 ¶ Moreover concerning the stranger, [•] which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray in this house;

33 Then hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as *doth* thy people Israel, and may know that [‖] this house which I have built is called by thy name.

34 If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them, and they pray unto thee toward this city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name;

35 Then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their [•] cause.

36 If they sin against thee, (for *there is* [▲] no man which sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them over before *their* enemies, and [‡] they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near;

37 Yet *if* they [§] bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn and pray unto thee in the land of their captivity, saying, [‖] We have sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt wickedly;

38 If they return to thee with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, and *toward* the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy name:

39 Then [=] hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their [‡] cause, and forgive thy people which have sinned against thee.

40 Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and *let* thine ears *be* attent [†] unto the prayer *that is made* in this place.

41 Now [*] therefore arise, O LORD God, into thy [r] resting place, thou, and the ark of thy strength: let thy priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, and let thy saints [?] rejoice in goodness.

42 O LORD God, turn not away the face of thine anointed: [=] remember the mercies of David thy servant.

CHAP. VII.

NOW [*] when Solomon had made an end of praying, the [r] fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and [?] the glory of the LORD filled the house.

2 And [•] the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house.

3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground

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[a] Ps. 89. 28. Da. 9. 4. Mi. 7. 18. 20. Lu. 1. 72, 73.
• or, *toward.*
[b] 1 Ch. 22. 9.
[c] 1 Ch. 28. 9.
[†] *all the days which.*
[‡] *upon the face of the land.*
[§] *a man be cut off.*
[d] ch. 7. 18. 2 Sa. 7. 12, 16. 1 Ki. 2. 4.
[e] Jno. 12. 20. Ac. 8. 27. 1 Co. 1. 4. Ep. 2. 12, 13.
[f] Ps. 132. 12.
[g] ch. 2. 6. Is. 66. 1. Ac. 7. 49.
[‖] *thy name is called upon this house.*
• or, *right.*
[†] or, *in.*
[▲] Pr. 20. 9. Ec. 7. 20. Ro. 3. 10, 19, 23. Ja. 3. 2. 1 Jno. 1. 8.
[‡] *they that take them captives carry them away.*
[§] *pray.*
[‖] *bring back to their heart.*
[i] Ps. 106. 6. Is. 64. 6. 12. Je. 3. 12. 14. 31. 18. 20. Lu. 15. 18. 21.
• *and he require an oath of him*
[▲] Nu. 5. 19. 22 Mat. 23. 18.
[‡] Ps. 10. 14. Pr. 1. 31. Is. 3. 11. Ro. 2. 9.
[=] De. 25. 1. Pr. 17. 15. Eze. 18. 20.
[†] or, *smitten.*
[=] Da. 9. 17. 19
[‡] or, *right.*
[§] or, *toward.*
[‖] *to the prayer of this place.*
• Ge. 13. 15. Ex. 6. 8. Jos. 21. 43.
[?] Ps. 132. 8. 10. 16.
[r] 1 Ki. 17. 1.
[s] 1 Ch. 28. 2.
[t] Ne. 9. 25.
[u] Ps. 132. 1. Is. 55. 3.
[•] 1 Ki. 8. 54.
[*] Le. 9. 24. Ju. 6. 21.
[y] ch. 30. 9.
[z] 1 Ki. 8. 10, 11.
[a] ch. 5. 14.
• *land of their gates.*

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upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, [h] *saying*, For *he is* good; [c] for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 ¶ Then [d] the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the LORD.

5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the people dedicated the house of God.

6 And [f] the priests waited on their offices: the Levites also with instruments of musick of the LORD, which David the king had made to praise the LORD, because his mercy *endureth* for ever, when David praised [e] by their ministry; and [h] the priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.

7 Moreover Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that *was* before the house of the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the fat.

8 ¶ Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto [i] the river of Egypt.

9 And in the eighth day they made † a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.

11 Thus [m] Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of the LORD, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.

12 ¶ And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, [p] I have heard thy prayer, [r] and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.

13 If [s] I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;

14 If my people, [t] which are called by my name, shall [u] humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; [w] then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

15 Now [x] mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent ‖ unto the prayer *that is made* in this place.

16 For now have [z] I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;

18 Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, [a] There shall not fail thee a man *to be* ruler in Israel.

19 But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments, which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;

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[c] 2 Ki. 17. 20. Ps. 52. 5. Je. 12. 17. 45. 4. Jude 12.
[h] Ps. 136. 1.
[c] ch. 20. 21. 1 Ch. 16. 41.
[d] 1 Ki. 8. 62, 63.
[e] De. 39. 24. Je. 22. 8, 9.
[f] 1 Ch. 15. 16.
[g] Ju. 1. 15, 16. La. 2. 16, 17. Eze. 14. 23. 36. 17. 20.
[e] *by their hand.*
[h] ch. 5. 12.
[i] 1 Ki. 9. 10, &c.
[k] 2 Sa. 8. 3.
[l] Jos. 13. 3.
† *a restraint.*
‡ *all the desire of Solomon which he desired to build.*
[m] Ge. 2. 4, 10, 11
[n] 1 Ki. 9. 1, &c.
[o] 1 Ki. 9. 20, &c.
[p] Ps. 10. 17. 66. 19. Ac. 10. 31. 1 Joo. 5. 14, 15.
[r] De. 12. 5. Ps. 78. 68, 69.
[s] ch. 6. 26, 28.
[t] *upon whom my name is called.*
[u] Ja. 4. 10.
[w] ch. 6. 27, 30.
[x] 1 Ki. 3. 1. 7. 8.
[z] ch. 6. 40.
‖ *to the prayer of this place.*
[y] Ex. 3. 5. 29. 43.
[e] *holiness.*
[a] ch. 6. 6.
[c] Eze. 8. 16. Joel 2. 17.
[b] Ex. 29. 38. Nu. 28. 3, 9, 11. 26. 29. 1, &c.
[c] Ex. 23. 14. De. 16. 16.
† *There shall not be cut off to thee.*
[d] ch. 6. 16.
[e] 1 Ch. 24. 1. Lu. 1. 5, 8.
[f] Le. 26. 14, 33. De. 28. 15, 36. 37.
[g] ; Ch. 25. 1. Ezr. 6. 18.
[h] 1 Ch. 9. 17. 26. 1.

20 Then will [e] I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and this house, which I have sanctified for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it *to be* a proverb and a byword among all nations.

21 And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by it; so that he shall say, [e] Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and unto this house?

22 And it shall be answered, [f] Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

CHAP. VIII.

AND [i] it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon had built the house of the LORD, and his own house,

2 That the cities which Huram had restored to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused the children of Israel to dwell there.

3 And Solomon went to [k] Hamath-zobah, and prevailed against it.

4 And he built Tadmor in the wilderness, and all the store cities, which he built in Hamath.

5 Also he built Beth-horon the upper, and Beth-horon the nether, fenced cities, with walls, gates, and bars;

6 And Baalath, and all the store cities that Solomon had, and all the chariot cities, and the cities of the horsemen, and [‡] all that [m] Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and throughout all the land of his dominion.

7 ¶ *As* [o] for all the people *that were* left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which *were* not of Israel,

8 *But* of their children, who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not, them did Solomon make to pay tribute until this day.

9 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no servants for his work; but they were men of war, and chief of his captains, and captains of his chariots and horsemen.

10 And these *were* the chief of king Solomon's officers, *even* two hundred and fifty, that bare rule over the people.

11 ¶ And Solomon [p] brought up the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of David unto the house that he had built for her: for he said, My wife shall not dwell in the house of David king of Israel, because [y] *the places are* [e] holy, whereunto the ark of the LORD hath come.

12 ¶ Then Solomon offered burnt offerings unto the LORD on [a] the altar of the LORD, which he had built before the porch,

13 Even after a certain rate [b] every day, offering according to the commandment of Moses, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts, [c] three times in the year, *even* in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles.

14 ¶ And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the [d] courses of the priests to their service, and [§] the Levites to their charges, to praise and minister before the priests, as the duty of every day required: the [h] porters also by

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their courses at every gate: for [o] so had David [a] the man of God commanded.

15 And they departed not from the commandment of the king unto the priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures.

16 Now all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the foundation of the house of the LORD, and until it was finished. *So* the house of the LORD was perfected.

17 ¶ Then went Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to [‡] Eloth, at the sea side in the land of Edom.

18 And [b] Huram sent him by the hands of his servants ships, and servants that had knowledge of the sea; and they went with the servants of Solomon to Ophir, and [c] took thence four hundred and fifty talents of gold, and brought *them* to king Solomon.

CHAP. IX.

AND [d] when the queen of [e] Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard [f] questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, [g] she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

2 And Solomon [h] told her all her questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which he told her not.

3 And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he had built,

4 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel; his [‡] cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ascent by which he went up into the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.

5 And she said to the king, *It was* a true [§] report which I heard in mine own land of thine [i] acts, and of thy wisdom:

6 Howbeit I believed not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it*: and, behold, the one half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: *for* thou exceedest the fame that I heard.

7 Happy [k] *are* thy men, and happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and hear thy wisdom.

8 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee on his throne, *to be* king for the LORD thy God: because thy God loved Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore made he thee king over them, [l] to do judgment and justice.

9 And [m] she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba gave king Solomon.

10 And the servants also of Huram, and the servants of Solomon, [n] which brought gold from Ophir, brought [o] algum trees and precious stones.

11 And the king made *of* the algum trees [§] terraces to the house of the LORD, and to the king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers: and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.

12 And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside *that* which she had brought unto the king. So she turned, and went away to her own land, she and her servants.

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[o] *so was the commandment of David the man of God.*

[a] De. 33. 1. 2 Sa. 23. 2. Ac. 13. 22, 36.

† or, *captains*

‡ or, *Elath*, De. 2. 8. 2 Ki. 14. 22.

[b] ch. 9. 10, 13.

[c] Ec. 2. 8.

§ *hands.*

[d] 1 Ki. 10. 1, &c. Mat. 12. 42. Lu. 11. 31.

[e] Ge. 10. 28. 25. 3.

[f] Ps. 49. 4. Pr. 1. 6. Mat. 13. 11, 35.

[g] 1 Sa. 1. 15. Ps. 142. 2.

|| *shut up.*

[o] or, *there was no silver* in them.

[h] Pr. 18. 4. Mar. 4. 34. Ja. 1. 5.

[i] ch. 20. 35. Ge. 10. 4.

† or, *elephants' teeth.*

[j] 1 Ki. 3. 12. 4. 30.

‡ or, *butlers.*

[k] Pr. 2. 6. Da. 1. 17. 2. 21..23. Lu. 21. 15. 1 Co. 1. 30. 12. 8. Ep. 1. 17. Ja. 1. 5, 17.

§ *word.*

|| or, *sayings.*

[l] 1 Ki. 10. 26.

[m] 1 Ki. 4. 21.

[n] Pr. 8. 34.

[o] Ge. 15. 18. Ps. 72. 8.

[o] i. e. *Euphrates.*

[p] ch. 1. 15, 16.

† *gave.*

[r] 1 Ki. 10. 28.

[s] 2 Sa. 8. 15. Ps. 72. 2. Pr. 8. 15.

[t] 1 Ki. 11. 41.

[u] Ps 72. 10, 15. Mat. 2. 11.

‡ *words.*

[v] 1 Ki. 11. 29.

[w] ch. 12. 15.

[y] 1 Ki. 11. 42, 43

[z] ch. 8. 18.

[a] 1 Ki. 10. 11, *almug trees.*

§ *highways*, or, *stairs.*

[b] 1 Ki. 12. 1, &c.

13 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred and threescore and six talents of gold;

14 Beside *that which* chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and † governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.

15 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of beaten gold went to one target.

16 And three hundred shields *made he of* beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

17 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.

18 And *there were* six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, *which were* fastened to the throne, and § stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays:

19 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdom.

20 ¶ And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon *were of* † pure gold: [o] none *were of* silver; it was *not* any thing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

21 For the king's ships went to [i] Tarshish with the servants of Huram: every three years once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold, and silver, † ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

22 And [j] king Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.

23 ¶ And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom, [k] that God had put in his heart.

24 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, harness, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

25 ¶ And Solomon [l] had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen; whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

26 ¶ And [m] he reigned over all the kings [o] from the [o] river even unto the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt.

27 And [p] the king † made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the low plains in abundance.

28 And [r] they brought unto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands.

29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* they not written in the † book of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of [s] Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of [z] Iddo the seer against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?

30 And [y] Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years.

31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. X.

AND [b] Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Shechem were all Israel come to make him king.

2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who *was* in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Solomon the king, heard *it*, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt.

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3 And they sent and called him. So Jeroboam and all Israel came and spake to Rehoboam, saying,

4 Thy father [a] made our yoke grievous: now therefore ease thou somewhat the grievous servitude of thy father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve thee.

5 And he said unto them, Come again unto me after three days. And the people departed.

6 ¶ And king Rehoboam [b] took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel give ye *me* to return answer to this people?

7 And they spake unto him, saying, [c] If thou be kind to this people, and please them, and speak good words to them, they will be thy servants for ever.

8 But [d] he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood before him.

9 And he said unto them, What advice give ye that we may return answer to this people, which have spoken to me, saying, Ease somewhat the yoke that thy father did put upon us?

10 And the young men that were brought up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou answer the people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou say unto them, [e] My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

11 For whereas my father † put a heavy yoke upon you, [f] I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.

12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king bade, saying, Come again to me on the third day.

13 And the king [g] answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men,

14 And answered them after the advice of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.

15 So the king hearkened not unto the people: [h] for the cause was of God, that the LORD might perform his word, which he spake by the [i] hand of Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

16 ¶ And when all Israel *saw* that the king would not hearken unto them, the people answered the king, saying, [j] What portion have we in David? and *we have* none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to your tents, O Israel: *and* now, David, see to thine own house. [k] So all Israel went to their tents.

17 But *as for* the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

18 Then king Rehoboam sent [l] Hadoram that *was* over the tribute; and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king Rehoboam † made speed to get him up to *his* chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

19 And [m] Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

CHAP. XI.

AND [n] when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he gathered of the house of Judah and Benjamin an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen *men*, which were warriors, to fight against Israel, that he might bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam.

2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

3 Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying,

4 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, [o] nor fight against your brethren: return every man to his house: [p] for this thing is done of me. And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.

5 ¶ And Rehoboam dwelt in Jerusalem, and built cities for defence in Judah.

6 He built even Beth-lehem, and Etam, and Tekoa,

7 And Beth-zur, and Shoco, and [q] Adullam,

8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph,

9 And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah,

10 And Zorah, and Aijalon, and Hebron, which *are* in Judah and in Benjamin fenced cities.

11 And [r] he fortified the strong holds, and put captains in them, and store of victual, and of oil and wine.

12 And in every several city *he put* shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong, having Judah and Benjamin on his side.

13 ¶ And the priests and the Levites that *were* in all Israel [s] resorted to him out of all their coasts.

14 For the Levites left [t] their suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah and Jerusalem: for [u] Jeroboam and his sons had cast them off from executing the priest's office unto the LORD:

15 And [v] he ordained him priests for the high places, and for [w] the devils, and for [x] the calves which he had made.

16 And [y] after them out of all the tribes of Israel such as set their hearts to seek the LORD God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice unto the LORD God of their fathers.

17 So they [z] strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong, three years: for [a] three years they walked in the way of David and Solomon.

18 ¶ And Rehoboam took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David to wife, *and* Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse;

19 Which bare him children; Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham.

20 And after her he took [b] Maachah the daughter of Absalom; which bare him Abijah, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.

21 And Rehoboam loved Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his wives and his concubines: (for [c] he took eighteen wives, and threescore concubines; and begat twenty and eight sons, and threescore daughters.)

22 And Rehoboam [d] made Abijah the son of Maachah the chief, *to be* ruler among his brethren: for *he thought* to make him king.

23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children throughout all the countries of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced city: and he gave them victual in abundance. And he desired § many wives.

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[a] 1 Sa. 8. 11.. 18. 1 Ki. 4. 7. Mat. 11. 29, 30 23. 4. 1 Jno. 5. 3.
[b] Job 12. 12. 32. 7. Pr. 27. 10. Je. 49. 2..4. 49. 3.
[c] Ac. 7. 26. 1 Co. 6. 5. 8. He. 13. 1. 1 Pe. 3. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 11, 12.
[d] Ge. 50. 20. Ps. 33. 11.
[e] Pr. 15. 1. Mat. 20. 26, 27. Lu. 9. 48.
[f] ch. 25. 15, 16. Pr. 1. 2..5. 19. 20. 25. 12.
[g] Mi. 1. 15.
[h] Is. 22. 10, 11.
[i] Pr. 10. 14. 19. 6, 7. Is. 47. 6.
[j] *presented themselves to him.*
[k] *loaded.*
[l] Ex. 1. 13, 14 5. 5..9, 18. Is. 58. 6. Je. 28. 13, 14.
[m] Nu. 25. 2. ch. 13. 9.
[n] 1 Ki. 12. 31. 13. 33. 14. 9. Ho. 13. 2.
[o] Le. 17. 7. 1 Co. 10. 20. 1 Ti. 4. 1.
[p] Ge. 42. 7. Ex. 10. 28. Pr. 10. 11, 32. Ec. 10. 12. Ja. 3. 17.
[q] 1 Ki. 12. 28.
[r] ch. 30. 11, 19.
[s] ch. 12. 1.
[t] Mat. 13. 20, 21.
[u] Jo. 14. 4. 1 Sa. 2. 25. 1 Ki. 12. 15, 24 Is. 19. 14. Ac. 2. 23. 4. 28.
[v] 1 Ki. 11. 29.
[w] 2 Sa. 20. 1.
[x] 1 Ki. 15. 2. she is called Michaiah the daughter of Uriel, ch. 13. 2.
[y] Jno. 6. 66. 7. 53
[z] De. 17. 17.
[a] 1 Ki. 2. 4.
[b] De. 21. 15..17
[c] 1 Ki. 11. 3. 4.
[d] De. 21. 15..17
[e] *strengthened himself.*
[f] 2 Ki. 17. 21.
[g] 1 Ki. 12. 21, &c.
[h] *a multitude of wives.*

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CHAP. XII.

AND [a] it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strengthened himself, [b] he forsook the law of the LORD, and all Israel with him.

2 And it came to pass, *that* in the fifth year of king Rehoboam Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, because they had transgressed against the LORD,

3 With twelve hundred chariots, and threescore thousand horsemen: and the people *were* without number that came with him out of Egypt; [c] the Lubims, the Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians.

4 And he took the fenced cities which *pertained* to Judah, and came to Jerusalem.

5 ¶ Then came [d] Shemaiah the prophet to Rehoboam, and *to* the princes of Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, [e] Ye have forsaken me, and therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.

6 Whereupon the princes of Israel and the king [m] humbled themselves; and they said, [n] The LORD *is* righteous.

7 And when the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, [o] the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled themselves; *therefore* I will not destroy them, but I will grant them [†] some deliverance; and my wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak.

8 Nevertheless [q] they shall be his servants; that they may know [r] my service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries.

9 So [s] Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he took all: he carried away also the shields of gold which Solomon had [t] made.

10 Instead of which king Rehoboam made shields of brass, and committed *them* [u] to the hands of the chief of the guard, that kept the entrance of the king's house.

11 And when the king entered into the house of the LORD, the guard came and fetched them, and brought them again into the guard chamber.

12 And when he humbled himself, the wrath of the LORD turned from him, that he would not destroy *him* altogether: [‡] and also in Judah things went well.

13 ¶ So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for [x] Rehoboam *was* one and forty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, [y] the city which the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.

14 And he did evil, because he [§] prepared not his heart [z] to seek the LORD.

15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, *are* they not written in the [a] book of Shemaiah the prophet, [b] and of Iddo the seer concerning genealogies? [c] And *there were* wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.

16 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and [d] Abijah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XIII.

NOW [e] in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah.

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[a] ch. 11. 17.
[b] ch. 11. 20.
[c] De. 6. 10...12 32. 15, 18. 1 Ki. 14. 22... 24. Jo. 2. 31. Ho. 13. 1, 6...8
[*] *bound together.*
[d] Jos. 18. 22.
[e] ch. 16. 8.
[f] 2 Sa. 7. 12, 13. 16.
[g] ch. 11. 2.
[h] Nu. 18. 19.
[i] ch. 15. 2.
[k] 1 Ki. 11. 26. 12. 20.
[l] Ju. 9. 4. Job 30. 8. Ac. 17. 5. Tit. 1. 10.
[m] Lu. 18. 14. Ja. 4. 10.
[n] Ex. 9. 27.
[o] 1 Ki. 21. 28, 29.
[†] or, *a little while.*
[p] 1 Ki. 12. 28. 14. 9. Ho. 8. 6.
[q] ch. 11. 14, 15.
[r] Is. 36. 15.
[s] De. 28. 47, 48
[t] Ex. 29. 35.
[‡] *to All his hand.* Ex. 29. 1. Le. 8. 2.
[u] 1 Ki. 14. 25, 26.
[x] ch. 9. 15, 16. 1 Ki. 10. 16, 17.
[y] 2 Sa. 8. 18.
[z] ch. 2. 4.
[§] Le. 24. 6.
[a] Ex. 27. 20, 21. Le. 24. 2, 3.
[||] or, *and yet in Judah there were good things* ch. 19. 3. Ge. 18. 24. 1 Ki. 14. 13.
[*] Nu. 10. 8.
[b] Ac. 5. 39.
[c] 1 Ki. 14. 21.
[d] ch. 6. 6.
[e] Jos. 8. 4.
[||] or, *Azed.* Ps. 57. 7. 78. 8, 37. 1 Co. 15. 58. 16. 13.
[f] Is. 40. 19. 55. 6, 7. Eze. 33. 31. Mat. 7. 7.
[g] Ex. 14. 10. 1 Ch. 5. 20. Ps. 50. 15. 91. 5. 120. 1. Ac. 2. 21.
[*] *words.*
[h] ch. 9. 29. 13. 22.
[i] 1 Ki. 14. 20.
[m] ch. 14. 12. Ps. 118. 5...7. Is. 37. 36.
[n] 1 Ki. 14. 31, *Abijam.*
[o] 1 Ki. 15. 1, &c.

2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* [f] Michaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

3 And Abijah [g] set the battle in array with an army of valiant men of war, *even* four hundred thousand chosen men: Jeroboam also set the battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men, *being* mighty men of valour.

4 ¶ And Abijah stood up upon mount [d] Zemaraim, which *is* in mount Ephraim, and said, Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;

5 Ought ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel [f] gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever, *even* to him and to his sons [h] by a covenant of salt?

6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and hath [k] rebelled against his lord.

7 And there are gathered unto him [l] vain men, the children of Belial, and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.

8 And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of David; and ye *be* a great multitude, and *there are* with you golden calves, which Jeroboam [*] made you for gods.

9 Have [*] ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Lévites, and have made you priests after the manner of the nations of *other* lands? [*] so that whosoever cometh [†] to consecrate himself with a young bullock and seven rams, *the same* may be a priest of *them that are* no gods.

10 But as for us, the LORD *is* our God, and we have not forsaken him; and the priests, which minister unto the LORD, *are* the sons of Aaron, and the Levites *wait* upon *their* business:

11 And [q] they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense: the [r] shewbread also *set they in order* upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, [s] to burn every evening: for we keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.

12 And, behold, God himself *is* with us for *our* captain, [t] and his priests with sounding trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of Israel, [u] fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper.

13 ¶ But Jeroboam caused [§] an ambushment to come about behind them: so they were before Judah, and the ambushment *was* behind them.

14 And when Judah looked back, behold, the battle *was* before and behind: and [i] they cried unto the LORD, and the priests sounded with the trumpets.

15 Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass, that God [m] smote Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah.

16 And the children of Israel fled before Judah: and God delivered them into their hand.

17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

18 Thus the children of Israel were

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brought under at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, [a] because they relied upon the LORD God of their fathers.

19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Beth-el with the towns thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof, and [b] Ephrain with the towns thereof.

20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah: and the LORD [d] struck him, and [e] he died.

21 ¶ But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives, and begat twenty and two sons, and sixteen daughters.

22 And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, *are* written in the [f] story of the prophet [g] Iddo.

CHAP. XIV.

SO Abijah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and [m] Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his days the land was quiet ten years.

2 And Asa did *that which was* good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God:

3 For he took away the altars of the strange *gods*, and [r] the high places, and [s] brake down the [§] images, [t] and cut down the groves:

4 And commanded Judah to seek the LORD God of their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment.

5 Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the [i] images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

6 ¶ And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest, and he had no war in those years; because the LORD had given him rest.

7 Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about *them* walls, and towers, gates, and bars, [u] *while* the land *is* yet before us; [v] because we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought *him*, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered.

8 And Asa had an army *of men* that bare targets and spears, out of Judah three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, two hundred and fourscore thousand: all these *were* mighty men of valour.

9 ¶ And [k] there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto [d] Mareshah.

10 Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of Zephathah at Mareshah.

11 And Asa [l] cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, *it is* [h] nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and [i] in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou *art* our God; let not [†] man prevail against thee.

12 So the LORD [f] smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.

13 And Asa and the people that *were* with him pursued them unto [n] Gerar: and the Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not recover themselves; for they were [o] destroyed before the LORD, and before his host; and they carried away very much spoil.

14 And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for the [p] fear of the LORD came upon them: and they spoiled all the cities; for there was exceeding much spoil in them.

15 They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep and camels in abundance, and returned to Jerusalem.

CHAP. XV.

AND [q] the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded:

2 And he went out [a] to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; [f] The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him; and [i] if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but [h] if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.

3 Now [r] for a long season Israel *hath been* without the true God, and without [s] a teaching priest, and without law.

4 But [m] when they in their trouble did turn unto the LORD God of Israel, and sought him, he was found of them.

5 And [n] in those times *there was* no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in, but great vexations *were* upon all the inhabitants of the countries.

6 And [p] nation was [†] destroyed of nation, and city of city: for God did vex them with all adversity.

7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded.

8 And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Oded the prophet, he took courage, and put away the [o] abominable idols out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities [u] which he had taken from mount Ephraim, and renewed the altar of the LORD, that *was* before the porch of the LORD.

9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and [y] the strangers with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the LORD his God *was* with him.

10 So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa.

11 And [z] they offered unto the LORD [†] the same time, of [a] the spoil *which* they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.

12 And they [c] entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul;

13 That [e] whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel [f] should be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman.

14 And they [g] sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets.

15 And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and [b] sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them: and the LORD gave them rest round about.

16 ¶ And also *concerning* [m] Maachah the [§] mother of Asa the king, he removed her from *being* queen, because she had made an [‖] idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her idol, and stamped *it*, and burnt *it* at the brook Kidron.

17 But [e] the high places were not taken away out of Israel: nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect all his days.

18 ¶ And he brought into the house of God the things that his father had dedicated, and that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels.

B. C. 957.

[a] 1 Ch. 5. 20. Ps. 22. 5. 146. 5. Da. 3. 28. Ep. 1. 12.
[b] Jos. 15. 9. Jno. 11. 54.
[c] ch. 20. 14. 24. 20. Nu. 24. 2. Ju. 3. 10.
[d] *before Asa.*
[e] 1 Sa. 25. 38. Ac. 12. 23.
[f] 1 Ki. 14. 20.
[g] Ja. 4. 6.
[h] ver. 4, 15. ch. 33. 12, 13.
[m] 1 Ch. 29. 9. Ja. 29. 13. Mat. 7. 7.
[n] ch. 24. 20.
[r] Ho. 3. 4.
[s] or, *commentary.*
[t] ch. 12. 15.
[i] Le. 10. 11.
[u] De. 4. 29.
[m] 1 Ki. 15. 8, &c.
[o] Ju. 5. 6.
[p] Mat. 24. 7.
[†] *beaten in pieces.*
[r] ch. 15. 17. 1 Ki. 15. 14.
[s] Ex. 34. 13.
[§] *statues.*
[t] 1 Ki. 11. 7.
[‖] *sun images*
[o] *abominations.*
[u] ch. 13. 19.
[v] ch. 11. 16.
[w] Jos. 9. 6. 12. 35. 9.
[y] Ps. 105. 3, 4. Je. 29. 12., 14. 1 Pe. 3. 10., 12.
[z] ch. 14. 15.
[a] *in that day.*
[a] ch. 14. 13.
[b] ch. 16. 9.
[c] ch. 34. 31. 2 Ki. 23. 3. Ne. 10. 29. 2 Co. 8. 5.
[d] Jos. 15. 44.
[e] Ex. 22. 20.
[f] De. 13. 5, 9, 15.
[g] ch. 13. 14. Ex. 14. 10. Ps. 22. 5.
[h] 1 Sa. 14. 6.
[i] 1 Sa. 17. 45. Pr. 18. 10.
[k] ver. 2.
[†] or, *mortal man.*
[l] ch. 13. 15.
[m] 1 Ki. 15. 13.
[§] i. e. *grandmother.* 1 Ki. 15. 2, 10.
[‖] *horror.*
[n] Ge. 10. 19. 20. 1.
[o] ch. 14. 3, 5. 1 Ki. 15. 14, &c.
[o] *broken.*
[p] ch. 17. 10. Ge. 35. 5.

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19 And there was no *more* war unto the five and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa.

CHAP. XVI.

IN [a] the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa Baasha king of Israel came up against Judah, and built Ramah, [b] to the intent that he might let none go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.

2 Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the house of the LORD and of the king's house, and sent to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that dwelt at § Damascus, saying,

3 *There is* a league between me and thee, as *there was* between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.

4 And Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of ‖ his armies against the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store cities of Naphtali.

5 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *it*, that he left off building of Ramah, and let his work cease.

6 Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha was building; and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah.

7 ¶ And at that time [f] Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him, [m] Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on the LORD thy God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand.

8 Were not [n] the Ethiopians and [o] the Lubims † a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the LORD, he delivered them into thine hand.

9 For [p] the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, § to shew himself strong in the behalf of *them* whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein [r] thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth [s] thou shalt have wars.

10 Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and [t] put him in a prison house; for *he was* in a rage with him because of this *thing*. And Asa [u] oppressed *some* of the people the same time.

11 ¶ And, [w] behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease *was* exceeding *great*: yet in his disease he [x] sought not to the LORD, but to the physicians.

13 ¶ And [y] Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.

14 And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he had [z] made for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled [a] with sweet odours and divers kinds *of spices* prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made [b] a very great burning for him.

CHAP. XVII.

AND Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened himself against Israel.

2 And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, [c] which Asa his father had taken.

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[a] or, *of his father, and of David.*
[b] From the rending of the ten tribes from Judah over which Asa was now king. 1 Ki. 15. 17, &c.
[c] ch. 15. 8.
[d] 1 Ki. 12. 28.
† *gave.*
[e] 1 Sa. 10. 27. 1 Ki. 10. 25.
[f] ch. 18. 1.
‡ i.e. *was encouraged.*
[g] ch. 20. 33.
§ *Darmesek.*
[h] ch. 15. 3.
‖ *armies which were his.*
[i] ch. 35. 3. Ne. 8. 7.
[k] Ge. 35. 5. Ex. 15. 14, 16. Jos. 2. 9...11.
[l] *was.*
[m] Pr. 16. 7.
[n] ch. 19. 2. 1 Ki. 16. 1.
[o] Je. 31. 1. Je. 17. 5.
[p] ch. 14. 9.
[q] ch. 12. 3.
† *in abundance.*
‡ or, *palaces.*
[r] Job 34. 21. Pr. 5. 21. 15. 3. Je. 16. 17. 32. 19. Zec. 4. 10.
§ or, *strongly to hold with them, &c.*
[s] 1 Sa. 13. 13.
[t] 1 Ki. 15. 33.
[u] Je. 20. 2. Mat. 14. 3.
‖ *at his hand.*
[v] *crushed.*
[w] 1 Ki. 15. 23.
[x] Ju. 5. 2, 9. Ps. 110. 3. 2 Co. 8. 3...5.
[y] Je. 17. 5.
[z] 1 Ki. 15. 24.
† *digged.*
[a] ver. 2.
[b] Ge. 50. 2. Mar. 16. 1. Jno. 19. 39, 40.
[c] ch. 21. 19. Je. 34. 5.
[d] Mat. 6. 33.
[e] 2 Ki. 8. 18. 2 Co. 6. 14.
‡ *at the end of years.*
[f] 1 Ki. 22. 2, &c.
[g] ch. 15. 8.

3 And the LORD was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways [d] of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim;

4 But sought to the *LORD* God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not after [e] the doings of Israel.

5 Therefore the LORD stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah † brought [d] to Jehoshaphat presents; [e] and he had riches and honour in abundance.

6 And his heart ‡was lifted up in the ways of the LORD: moreover [f] he took away the high places and groves out of Judah.

7 ¶ Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his princes, *even* to Ben-hail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah, [g] to teach in the cities of Judah.

8 And with them *he sent* Levites, *even* Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, priests.

9 And [h] they taught in Judah, and *had* the book of the law of the LORD with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the people.

10 ¶ And [i] the fear of the LORD [k] fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that *were* round about Judah, [l] so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat.

11 Also *some* of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and the Arabians brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.

12 ¶ And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah ‡ castles, and cities of store.

13 And he had much business in the cities of Judah: and the men of war, mighty men of valour, *were* in Jerusalem.

14 And these *are* the numbers of them according to the house of their fathers: Of Judah, the captains of thousands; Adnah the chief, and with him mighty men of valour three hundred thousand.

15 And ‖ next to him *was* Jehohanan the captain, and with him two hundred and fourscore thousand.

16 And next him *was* Amasiah the son of Zichri, [v] who willingly offered himself unto the LORD; and with him two hundred thousand mighty men of valour.

17 And of Benjamin; Eliada a mighty man of valour, and with him armed men with bow and shield two hundred thousand.

18 And next him *was* Jehozabad, and with him an hundred and fourscore thousand ready prepared for the war.

19 These waited on the king, beside [s] *those* whom the king put in the fenced cities throughout all Judah.

CHAP. XVIII.

NOW Jehoshaphat [a] had riches and honour in abundance, and [d] joined affinity with Ahab.

2 And ‡ after *certain* years [e] he went down to Ahab to Samaria. And Ahab killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that *he had* with him, and persuaded him to go up *with him* to Ramoth-gilead.

3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Wilt thou go

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with me to Ramoth-gilead? And he answered him, [a] I *am* as thou *art*, and my people as thy people; and *we will be* with thee in the war.

4 ¶ And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, [b] Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

5 Therefore the king of Israel gathered together of [d] prophets four hundred men, and said unto them, Shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, [f] Go up; for God will deliver *it* into the king's hand.

6 But Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD [*] besides, that we might enquire of him?

7 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: [g] but I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but always evil: the same *is* Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.

8 And the king of Israel called for one [§] of his officers, and said, [‖] Fetch quickly Micaiah the son of Imla.

9 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah sat either of them on his throne, clothed in *their* robes, and they sat in a [*] void place at the entering in of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them.

10 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made him horns of iron, and said, Thus saith the LORD, With these thou shalt push Syria until [†] they be consumed.

11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.

12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spake to him, saying, Behold, the words of the prophets *declare* good to the king [‡] with one assent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of their's, and speak thou good.

13 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, [m] even what my God saith, that will I speak.

14 And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And he said, [n] Go ye up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand.

15 And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of the LORD?

16 Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains, [o] as sheep that have no shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master; let them return *therefore* every man to his house in peace.

17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, [p] Did I not tell thee *that* he would not prophesy good unto me, [‡] but evil?

18 Again he said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon his throne, [q] and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and *on* his left.

19 And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one spake saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner.

20 Then there came out a [r] spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will entice him. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith?

B. C. 897.

[a] Ps. 139. 21. 2 Jno. 10, 11.
[b] 1 Sa. 23. 2, 4, 9. 2 Sa. 2. 1. Ps. 27. 4. Je. 21. 2.
[d] Job 12. 16. Is. 19. 14. Eze. 14. 9.
[d] 2 Ti. 4. 3.
[e] Je. 20. 2. Mar. 14. 65. Ac. 23. 2.
[f] Mi. 2. 11. 3. 11. Re. 19. 20.
[*] *yet*, or, *more*.
† or, *from chamber to chamber*.
‡ *a chamber in a chamber*.
[g] Is. 49. 7. Mat. 27. 22. Jno. 3. 19, 20. Ga. 4. 16.
[h] ch. 16. 10.
§ or, *eunuchs*
‖ *Haste*.
[i] Nu. 16. 29. De. 18. 20. 22
[*] or, *floor*.
[k] Job 24. 15. Je. 23. 24.
† thou *consume them*.
‡ *with one mouth*.
[l] Pr. 13. 20.
[m] Nu. 22. 18, 20, 35. 23. 12, 26. 24. 13. 1 Ki. 22. 14.
§ *from after him*.
[n] Am. 4. 4, 5.
‖ *in his simplicity*.
[o] *between the joints and between the breastplate*
† *made sick*.
[p] Je. 23. 1, 2. Eze. 34. 5, 8. Zec. 10. 2. Mar. 6. 34.
[p] Pr. 10. 24. 27. 22.
‡ or, *but for evil?*
[r] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[s] Ge. 32. 2. Ps. 103. 20, 21. Da. 7. 10. Ho. 1. 7, 14.
[t] Ep. 5. 11.
[u] ch. 22. 25. Ps. 90. 7, 8. Ro. 1. 18. 1 Co. 11. 31, 32.
[v] ch. 12. 12. 17. 4, 6. Ro. 7. 18.
[x] Job 1. 6.
[y] ch. 30. 19. Ezr. 7. 10.
§ *he returned and went out.*

21 And he said, I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And *the LORD* said, Thou shalt entice *him*, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do *even* so.

22 Now therefore, behold, [s] the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee.

23 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and [t] smote Micaiah upon the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?

24 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see on that day when thou shalt go [†] into [‡] an inner chamber to hide thyself.

25 Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

26 And say, Thus saith the king, [u] Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace.

27 And Micaiah said, If thou certainly return in peace, [v] *then* hath not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, all ye people.

28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, [x] I will disguise myself, and will go to the battle; but put thou on thy robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to the battle.

30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that *were* with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel.

31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It *is* the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat [y] cried out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them *to depart* from him.

32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again [§] from pursuing him.

33 And a *certain* man drew a bow [‖] at a venture, and smote the king of Israel [*] between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host; for I am [†] wounded.

34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed *himself* up in *his* chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he died.

CHAP. XIX.

AND Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem.

2 And Jehu the son of Hanani [r] the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and [s] love them that hate the LORD? therefore [t] is [*] wrath upon thee from before the LORD.

3 Nevertheless there are [*] good things found in thee, in that thou hast taken away the groves out of the land, and hast [y] prepared thine heart to seek God.

4 And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and [§] he went out again through the people from Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim,

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and brought them back unto the LORD God of their fathers.

5 ¶ And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city,

6 And said to the judges, Take heed what ye do: for [a] ye judge not for man, but for the LORD, [b] who *is* with you [c] in the judgment.

7 Wherefore now let the fear of the LORD be upon you; take heed and do *it*: for [d] *there is* no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor [e] respect of persons, nor taking of gifts.

8 ¶ Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat [f] set of the Levites, and *of* the priests, and of the chief of the fathers of Israel, for the judgment of the LORD, and for controversies, when they returned to Jerusalem.

9 And he charged them, saying, Thus shall ye do [m] in the fear of the LORD, faithfully, and with a perfect heart.

10 And [n] what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that dwell in their cities, between blood and blood, between law and commandment, statutes and judgments, ye shall even warn them that they trespass not against the LORD, and *so* wrath [p] come upon you, and upon your brethren: this do, and ye shall not trespass.

11 And, behold, Amariah the chief priest *is* over you [t] in all matters of the LORD; and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, for all the king's matters: also the Levites *shall be* officers before you. § Deal courageously, and the LORD shall be with the good.

CHAP. XX.

IT came to pass after this also, *that* the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them *other* beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.

2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they *be* [y] in Hazazon-tamar, which *is* [z] En-gedi.

3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set [ǁ] himself to [b] seek the LORD, and [c] proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

4 And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask *help* of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

5 ¶ And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court,

6 And said, O LORD God of our fathers, *art* not thou [d] God in heaven? and [e] rulest *not* thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and [k] in thine hand *is there not* power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee?

7 *Art* not thou [l] our God, [ǂ] *who* [m] didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham [n] thy friend for ever?

8 And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying,

9 If, [o] *when* evil cometh upon us, *as* the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy [p] name is in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.

10 And now, behold, the children of

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[a] De. 2. 4. 9. 19.
[b] Nu. 20. 21.
[c] De. 1. 17.
[d] Ps. 83. 19.
[e] Ps. 82. 1. Ec. 5. 8.
[o] *in the matter of judgment.*
[f] 1 Sa. 3. 13.
[g] De. 32. 4. Ro. 9. 14.
[h] Ps. 25. 15. 121. 1, 2. 123. 1, 2. 141. 8.
[i] De. 10. 17. Ac. 10. 34. Ro. 2. 11. Ga. 2. 6. Ep. 6. 9. Col. 3. 25. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[k] De. 16. 18.
[m] Nu. 11. 25, 26. 24. 2.
[n] 2 Sa. 23. 3.
[o] De. 17. 8, &c.
[p] De. 1. 29, 30. 31. 6, 8.
† *ascent.*
[r] Nu. 16. 46. Eze. 3. 18.
‡ or, *valley.*
[s] Ex. 14. 13, 14
[t] 1 Ch. 26. 30.
[u] Nu. 14. 9.
§ *Take courage and do.*
[x] Ex. 4. 31.
[y] Ge. 14. 7.
[z] Jos. 15. 62.
[a] Is. 7. 9.
ǁ *his face.*
[b] ch. 19. 3.
[c] Ezr. 8. 21. Je. 36. 9. Jon. 3. 5.
[d] 1 Ch. 16. 29.
[e] *prayers.*
[f] Ps. 136. 1.
[g] 1 Ch. 16. 41.
† *in the time that they, &c.*
‡ *in singing and praise.*
[ǂ] Ju. 7. 22. 1 Sa. 14. 20.
[k] De. 4. 39. 1 Ki. 8. 23. Mat. 6. 9.
[l] Ps. 47. 2, 8. Da. 4. 17, 25.
[m] 1 Ch. 22. 18. Ps. 68. 11. Mat. 6. 13.
§ or, *smote one another*
[n] Ge. 17. 7. Ex. 6. 7.
ǁ *thou.*
[o] Ps. 44. 2.
[p] *for the destruction.*
[q] Is. 41. 8. Ja. 2. 23.
[r] 1 Ki. 8. 33, 37
† there was *not an escaping.*
[s] ch. 6. 20.

Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou [o] wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but [p] they turned from them, and destroyed them not;

11 Behold, *I say*, *how* they reward us, [q] to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit.

12 O our God, wilt thou not [r] judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but [s] our eyes *are* upon thee.

13 And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children.

14 ¶ Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, [ǁ] came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation;

15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, [ǂ] Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle *is* not your's, but God's.

16 To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the † cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the ‡ brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

17 Ye [k] shall not *need* to fight in this *battle*: set yourselves, stand ye *still*, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: [l] for the LORD *will be* with you.

18 And Jehoshaphat [m] bowed his head with *his* face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD.

19 And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

20 ¶ And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; [n] Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.

21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, [o] and [p] that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, [q] Praise the LORD; [r] for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

22 ¶ And † when they began ‡ to sing and to praise, [s] the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they § were smitten.

23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy *them*: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped [o] to destroy another.

24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they *were* dead bodies fallen to the earth, and † none escaped.

25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off

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for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

26 ¶ And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of [a] Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the § forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had [d] made them to rejoice over their enemies.

28 And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the LORD.

29 And [e] the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of *those* countries, when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.

30 So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his [f] God gave him rest round about.

31 ¶ And [h] Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: *he was* thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

32 And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it, doing *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD.

33 Howbeit [i] the high places were not taken away: for as yet the people had not [m] prepared their hearts unto the God of their fathers.

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the † book of Jehu the son of Hanani, [n] who is mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.

35 ¶ And after this [o] did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly:

36 § And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-gaber.

37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to [p] Tarshish.

CHAP. XXI.

NOW [r] Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And Jehoram his son ‡ reigned in his stead.

2 And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these *were* the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel.

3 And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to ‖ Jehoram; because he *was* the firstborn.

4 Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself, [s] and slew all his brethren with the sword, and *divers* also of the princes of Israel.

5 ¶ Jehoram [y] *was* thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of [a] Ahab to wife and he wrought *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD.

7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a ¶ light to him and to his [b] sons for ever.

8 ¶ In [c] his days the Edomites revolted from under the dominion of Judah, and made themselves a king.

9 Then Jehoram went forth with his princes, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the captains of the chariots.

10 So the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. The same time *also* did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he had forsaken the LORD God of his fathers.

11 Moreover he made high places in the mountains of Judah, and caused the inhabitants of Jerusalem to [d] commit fornication, and compelled Judah *thereto*.

12 ¶ And there came a ‖ writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah,

13 But hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to [e] go a whoring, like to the [f] whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and also hast slain thy brethren of thy father's house, *which were* better than thyself:

14 Behold, with [g] a great plague will the LORD smite thy people, and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods:

15 And thou *shalt have* great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day.

16 ¶ Moreover the LORD [i] stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines, and of the Arabians, that *were* near the Ethiopians:

17 And they came up into Judah, and brake into it, and ‡ carried away all the substance that was found in the king's house, and [r] his sons also, and his wives; so that there was never a son left him, save [s] Jehoahaz, the youngest of his sons.

18 ¶ And † after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.

19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like [u] the burning of his fathers.

20 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem eight years, and departed § without being desired. Howbeit they buried him in the city of David, but not in the sepulchres of the kings.

CHAP. XXII.

AND the inhabitants of Jerusalem made [x] Ahaziah his youngest son king in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned.

2 Forty [z] and two years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name

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[a] ch. 23. 2.
[b] 1. *e. blessing.*
† *lamp*, or, *candle.*
2 Sa. 7. 12, 13. 1 Ki. 8. 19. 2 Ki. 8. 19. Ps. 132. 11, &c. Lu. 1. 69, 79.
[c] 2 Ki. 8. 20, &c.
‡ *hand.*
§ *head.*
[d] Ne. 12. 43.
[e] ch. 17. 10.
[f] ch. 15. 15. Job 34. 29.
[g] Le. 17. 7. 20. 5. Ps. 106. 39. Re. 2. 20. 22
[h] 1 Ki. 22. 41, &c.
‖ Which was writ before his death, 2 Ki. 2. 1.
[i] ch. 17. 6.
[k] Ex. 34. 15. De. 31. 16.
[l] 1 Ki. 16 31. 33.
2 Ki. 9. 22.
[m] ch. 12. 14. 19. 3.
[n] *a great stroke.*
† *words.*
[o] 1 Ki. 16. 1, 7.
‡ *was made to unrend.*
[p] Ki. 22. 48.
[r] 1 Ki. 11. 14, 23.
§ At first Jehoshaphat was unwilling. 1 Ki. 22. 49.
‖ *carried captive.* ch. 22. 1.
[r] ch. 24. 7.
[s] or, *Ahaziah.* ch. 22. 1. or, *Azariah* ch. 22. 6.
[t] ch. 9. 21.
† His son, *Ahaziah Proves*, 2 Ki. 9. 29, soon after.
[u] 1 Ki. 22. 50.
‡ Alone.
[x] ch. 16. 14.
§ *without desire.* Je. 22. 18.
‖ Jehoram made partner of the kingdom with his father, 2 Ki. 8. 16.
[y] Ge. 46. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[z] ch. 21. 17. 2 Ki. 8. 24, &c.
[a] In consort, 2 Ki. 8. 17, &c.
[b] 2 Ki. 8. 26.

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also *was* [a] Athaliah the daughter of Omri.

3 He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab; for his mother was his counsellor to do wickedly.

4 Wherefore he did evil in the sight of the LORD like the house of Ahab: for they were his counsellors after the death of his father to his destruction.

5 ¶ He walked also after their counsel, and went with Jehoram the son of Ahab king of Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians smote Joram.

6 And [d] he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds [e] which were given him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria. And †Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel, because he was sick.

7 And the ‡ destruction of Ahaziah *f* was of God by coming to Joram: for when he was come, he [g] went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi, [h] whom the LORD had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab.

8 And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was [i] executing judgment upon the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered to Ahaziah, he slew them.

9 And he [j] sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for he was hid in Samaria,) and brought him to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they buried him: Because, said they, he *is* the son of Jehoshaphat, who [m] sought the LORD with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah had no power to keep still the kingdom.

10 ¶ But [n] when Athiah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal of the house of Judah.

11 But [o] Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons that were slain, and put him and his nurse in a bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehoiada the priest, (for she was the sister of Ahaziah,) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not.

12 And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: [r] and Athaliah reigned over the land.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND [s] in the seventh year Jehoiada strengthened himself, and took the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into covenant with him.

2 And [t] they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all the cities of Judah, and the chief of the fathers of Israel, and they came to Jerusalem.

3 And all the congregation made a covenant with the king in the house of God. And he said unto them, Behold, the king's son shall reign, as the LORD hath [v] said of the sons of David.

4 This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you entering on the sabbath, of the priests and of the Levites, *shall be* porters of the § doors;

5 And a third part *shall be* at the king's house; and a third part at the gate of the foundation: and all the people *shall be* in the courts of the house of the LORD

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[a] ch. 21. 6.
[b] 1 Ch. 23. 28, 29.
[c] Ex. 19. 12, 13 Nu. 3. 10, 38.
[d] 2 Ki. 9. 15.
[e] *wherewith they wounded him.*
† Otherwise called *Ahaziah*, ver. 1. and *Jehoahaz*, ch. 21. 17.
[g] 1 Ch. xxiv. xxv.
‡ *treading down.*
[f] ch. 10. 15. Ju. 14. 4. 1 Ki. 12. 15.
[g] 2 Ki. 9. 21.
[h] 2 Ki. 9. 6, 7.
§ *shoulder.* || *house.*
[i] 2 Ki. 10. 10.. 14.
[k] De. 17. 18. Ps. 78. 5. Is. 8. 20.
[l] 2 Ki. 9. 27, at *Megiddo* in the kingdom of *Samaria.*
[o] *Let the king live.* 1 Sa. 10. 24. 2 Sa. 16. 16. 1 Ki. 1. 34.
[m] ch. 17. 4.
[n] 2 Ki. 11. 1, 2.
[o] 1 Ki. 1. 39, 40. Pr. 29. 2. Mar. 11. 9, 10
[p] 1 Ch. 25. 8.
[r] 2 Ki. 11. 2. *Jehosheba.*
† *Conspiracy*
[s] Ese. 9. 7.
[t] Ps. 12. 8. Je. 12. 1. Hab. 1. 12. Mal. 3. 15.
[u] Ne. 3. 28.
[v] Ps. 5. 6. 85. 23. Mat. 7. 2. Ja. 2. 13. Re. 16. 5..7.
[x] 2 Ki. 11. 4, &c.
[y] De. 5. 2, 3. 29. 1. 15. Ezr. 10. 5.
[z] Is. 44. 5. 2 Co. 8. 5.
[a] De. 12 3. 13. 9. Is. 2. 18. Zec. 13. 2, 3.
[b] Ps. 112. 5. Mat. 10. 16.
[c] 1 Ch. 23. 6, 30, 31. 24. 1. &c.
[d] Nu. 28. 2.
[e] 2 Sa. 7. 12. 1 Ki. 2. 4. 9. 5.
‡ *by the hands of.*
[f] 1 Ch. 26. 1, &c.
§ *thresholds.*

6 But let none come into the house of the LORD, save the priests, and [b] they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they *are* holy: but all the people shall keep the watch of the LORD.

7 And the Levites shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand; [c] and whosoever *else* cometh into the house, he shall be put to death: but be ye with the king when he cometh in, and when he goeth out.

8 So the Levites and all Judah did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest had commanded, and took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that were to go *out* on the sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not [e] the courses.

9 Moreover Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of hundreds spears, and bucklers, and shields, that *had been* king David's, which *were* in the house of God.

10 And he set all the people, every man having his weapon in his hand, from the right § side of the || temple to the left side of the temple, along by the altar and the temple, by the king round about.

11 Then they brought out the king's son, and put upon him the crown, and [k] *gave him* the testimony, and made him king. And Jehoiada and his sons anointed him, and said, [l] God save the king.

12 ¶ Now when Athaliah heard the noise of the people running and praising the king, she came to the people into the house of the LORD:

13 And she looked, and, behold, the king stood at his pillar at the entering in, and the princes and the trumpets by the king: [m] and all the people of the land rejoiced, and sounded with trumpets, also the singers with instruments of musick, and [n] such as taught to sing praise. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, †Treason, Treason.

14 Then Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds that were set over the host, and said unto them, Have her forth of the ranges: and whoso followeth her, let him be slain with the sword. For the priest said, Slay her not in [o] the house of the LORD.

15 So they laid hands on her; and when she was come to the entering [p] of the horse gate by the king's house, they [r] slew her there.

16 ¶ And Jehoiada [y] made a covenant between him, and between all the people, and between the king, that [z] they should be the LORD's people.

17 Then all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it down, and [a] brake his altars and his images in pieces, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars.

18 Also Jehoiada appointed the offices of the house of the LORD by the hand of the priests the Levites, whom David had [c] distributed in the house of the LORD, to offer the burnt offerings of the LORD, as *it is* written in the [d] law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing, *as it was ordained* by David.

19 And he set the [f] porters at the gates of the house of the LORD, that none *which was* unclean in any thing should enter in.

20 And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the people, and all the people of the land, and brought down the king from the house of the LORD: and they came

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through the high gate into the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of the kingdom.

21 And [a] all the people of the land rejoiced: and the city was quiet, after that they had slain Athaliah with the sword.

CHAP. XXIV.

JOASH [c] *was* seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.

2 And Joash [e] did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.

3 And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons and daughters.

4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, *that* Joash was minded [o] to repair the house of the LORD.

5 And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money to repair the house of your God from year to year, and see that ye hasten the matter. Howbeit the Levites hastened *it* not.

6 And the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him, Why hast thou not required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and out of Jerusalem the collection, *according to the commandment* of [m] Moses the servant of the LORD, and of the congregation of Israel, for the [n] tabernacle of witness?

7 For [o] the sons of Athaliah, [p] that wicked woman, had broken up the house of God; and also all the dedicated things of the house of the LORD did they bestow upon Baalim.

8 And at the king's commandment they made a chest, and set it without at the gate of the house of the LORD.

9 And they made ‖ a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in to the LORD [r] the collection *that* Moses the servant of God *laid* upon Israel in the wilderness.

10 And all the princes and all the people [s] rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, until they had made an end.

11 Now it came to pass, that at what time the chest was brought unto the king's office by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that *there was* much money, the king's scribe and the high priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to his place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.

12 And the king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to repair the house of the LORD, and also such as wrought iron and brass to mend the house of the LORD.

13 So the workmen wrought, and ‖ the work was perfected by them, and they set the house of God [x] in his state, and strengthened it.

14 And when they had finished *it*, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, [z] whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD, *even* vessels to minister, and [a] to offer *withal*, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada.

15 ¶ But Jehoiada waxed old, and [c] was

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[a] Ps. 58. 10, 11. Pr. 11. 10. Re 18. 20. 19. 1...4.
[b] Ne. 13. 14. He. 6. 10.
[c] 2 Ki. 11. 21. 12. 1. &c.
[d] 1 Ki. 14. 23.
[e] ch. 26. 5.
[f] ch. 19. 2. 28. 13. 29. 8. 32. 25. Ja. 5. 8.
[g] ch. 36. 15. Je. 7. 25, 26. 25. 4.
[o] *to renew.*
[h] ch. 20. 14.
† *clothed.* Ju. 6. 34.
[i] Nu. 14. 41.
[k] ch. 15. 2.
[l] Mat. 23. 35. Ac. 7. 58, 59.
[m] Ex. 30. 12.. 14, 16.
[n] Nu. 1. 50. Ac. 7. 44.
[o] ch. 21. 17.
[p] Pr. 10. 7. Re. 2. 20.
‡ *in the revolution of the year.*
§ *Darmasek.*
[r] Le. 26. 8. De. 32. 30. Is. 30. 17.
‖ *a voice.*
[s] Le. 26. 25. De. 28. 25.
[t] ver. 6.
[u] ch. 22. 8. Is. 10. 5.
[x] Is. 64. 5. Ac. 2. 45...47 2 Co. 9. 7.
[o] or, *Jozachar,* 2 Ki. 12. 21.
† or, *Shomer.*
‡ *founding.*
§ or, *commentary.*
‖ *the healing went up upon the work.*
[z] Hag. 2. 3. Lu. 21. 5, 6.
[y] 2 Ki. 14. 1. &c.
[a] 2 Ki. 12. 13.
[o] or, *pestils.*
[c] ver. 14. 2 Ki. 14. 4. Mat. 6. 24.
† *confirmed upon him.*
[b] Ge. 9. 6. Ex. 21. 12.. 14. Nu. 35. 33.
[c] Ge. 15. 15. 25. 8. Job 5. 26. Ps. 91. 16.

full of days when he died; an hundred and thirty years old *was he* when he died.

16 And they buried him in the city of David among the kings, [b] because he had done good in Israel, both toward God, and toward his house.

17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then the king hearkened unto them.

18 And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and served [d] groves and idols: and [f] wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their trespass.

19 Yet he [g] sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified against them: but they would not give ear.

20 And [h] the Spirit of God † came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, [i] Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? [k] because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

21 And they conspired against him, and [l] stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of the LORD.

22 Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he said, The LORD look upon *it*, and require *it*.

23 ¶ And it came to pass ‡ at the end of the year, *that* the host of Syria came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of § Damascus.

24 For the army of the Syrians [r] came with a small company of men, and the LORD [t] delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers. So they [u] executed judgment against Joash.

25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the kings.

26 And these are they that conspired against him; [o] Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of † Shimrith a Moabitess.

27 ¶ Now *concerning* his sons, and the greatness of the burdens *laid* upon him, and the ‡ repairing of the house of God, behold, they *are* written in the § story of the book of the kings. And Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXV.

AMAZIAH [y] *was* twenty and five years old *when* he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

2 And he did *that which* was right in the sight of the LORD, [c] but not with a perfect heart.

3 ¶ Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was † established to him, that he [b] slew his servants that had killed the king his father.

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4 But he slew not their children, but *did* as *it is* written in the law in the book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, [b] The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin.

5 ¶ Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of *their* fathers, throughout all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them [d] from twenty years old and above, and found them three hundred thousand choice *men, able* to go forth to war, that could handle spear and shield.

6 He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred talents of silver.

7 But there came [f] a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the army of Israel go with thee; [g] for the LORD *is* not with Israel, *to wit*, *with* all the children of Ephraim.

8 But if thou wilt go, do *it*, [i] be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the enemy: for God hath [l] power to help, and to cast down.

9 And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the hundred talents which I have given to the ‖ army of Israel? And the man of God answered, [m] The LORD is able to give thee much more than this.

10 Then Amaziah separated them, *to wit*, the army that was come to him out of Ephraim, to go [o] home again: wherefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home [†] in great anger.

11 ¶ And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and went to the valley of salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand.

12 And *other* ten thousand *left* alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces.

13 [q] But the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Bethhoron, and smote three thousand of them, and took much spoil.

14 ¶ Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that [s] he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up *to be* [t] his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them.

15 Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought after [v] the gods of the people, which [x] could not deliver their own people out of thine hand?

16 And it came to pass, as he talked with him, that *the king* said unto him, Art thou made of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and said, I know that God hath § determined [y] to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel.

17 ¶ Then Amaziah king of Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us see one another in the face.

18 And Joash king of Israel sent to

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[a] Ju. 9. 6, &c.
[o] or, *for we burn.* or, *thorn.*
[b] De. 24. 16. Je. 31. 30. Eze. 18. 20.
[†] *a beast of the field.*
[c] Pr. 13. 10. Eze. 28. 2, 5, 17. Hab. 2. 4. Ja. 4. 6.
[d] Nu. 1. 3.
[e] ch. 22. 7. 1 Ki. 12. 15. 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[f] ver. 14.
[g] De. 33. 1. 1 Ki. 13. 1. 1 Ti. 6. 11.
‡ *smitten.*
[h] Is. 28. 1. Ho. 5. 13., 15
[i] Ec. 11. 9. Is. 8. 9, 10.
[k] ch. 21. 17. 22. 1, 6.
[l] ch. 20. 6. Job 5. 18. Ec. 9. 11.
§ *the gate of it that looketh.*
‖ *band.*
[m] Pr. 10. 22.
[o] *to their place.*
[†] *in heat of anger.*
‡ *after.*
§ *conspired a conspiracy*
‖ *the sons of the band.*
[o] i. e. *the city of David.* 2 Ki. 14. 20.
[n] 2 Ki. 14. 21, 22. 15. 1, &c.
[†] or, *Azariah.*
[o] ch. 28. 23. Is. 44. 19.
[p] Ex. 20. 3, 5.
[r] Ps. 96. 5.
[s] Ps. 115. 4., 8. Is. 46. 1, 2. 1 Co. 8. 4. 10. 20.
[t] ch. 24. 2. Ho. 6. 4. Mat. 13. 20, 21.
[u] Ge. 41. 15. Da. 1. 17. 2. 19. 10. 1.
‡ *in the seeing of God.*
§ *counselled.*
[v] 1 Sa. 2. 25. Ac. 4. 29. Ro. 9. 22. Ep. 1. 11.
[x] Is. 14. 29.
‖ or, *in the country of Ashdod.*
[y] ch. 21. 16.

Amaziah king of Judah, saying, [a] The [o] thistle that *was* in Lebanon sent to the cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by [†] a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.

19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and [c] thine heart lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home; why shouldest thou meddle to *thine* hurt, that thou shouldest fall, *even* thou, and Judah with thee?

20 But Amaziah would not hear; for [r] it *came* of God, that he might deliver them into the hand *of their enemies*, because they [s] sought after the gods of Edom.

21 So Joash the king of Israel went up; and they saw one another in the face, *both* he and Amaziah king of Judah, at Bethshemesh, which *belongeth* to Judah.

22 And Judah was ‡ put to the worse before Israel, and they fled every man to his tent.

23 And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of [k] Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim to § the corner gate, four hundred cubits.

24 And *he took* all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed-edom, and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria.

25 [v] And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

26 Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, *are* they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel?

27 ¶ Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from ‡ following the LORD they § made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.

28 And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of [o] Judah.

CHAP. XXVI.

THEN [n] all the people of Judah took [†] Uzziah, who *was* sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah.

2 He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

3 Sixteen years old *was* Uzziah when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

4 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah did.

5 And [z] he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who [a] had understanding ‡ in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.

6 And he went forth and [a] warred against the Philistines, and brake down the wall of Gath, and the wall of Jabneh, and the wall of Ashdod, and built cities ‖ about Ashdod, and among the Philistines.

7 And God helped him against [y] the Philistines, and against the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-baal, and the Mehunims.

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8 And the Ammonites [a] gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name [b] spread abroad *even* to the entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened *himself* exceedingly.

9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the [c] corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning *of the wall*, and [†] fortified them.

10 Also he built towers in the desert, and [‡] digged many wells: for he had much cattle, both in the low country, and in the plains: husbandmen *also*, and vinedressers in the mountains, and in [§] Carmel: for he loved [e] husbandry.

11 Moreover Uzziah had an host of fighting men, that went out to war by bands, according to the number of their account by the hand of Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the ruler, under the hand of Hananiah, *one* of the king's captains.

12 The whole number of the chief of the fathers of the mighty men of valour *were* two thousand and six hundred.

13 And under their hand *was* [f] an army, three hundred thousand and seven thousand and five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy.

14 And Uzziah prepared for them throughout all the host shields, and spears, and helmets, and habergeons, and bows, and [§] slings *to cast* stones.

15 And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by cunning men, to be on the towers and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones withal. And his name [g] spread [h] far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.

16 ¶ But [i] when he was strong, his heart was [k] lifted up to *his* destruction: for he transgressed against the LORD his God, and [l] went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.

17 And [m] Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore priests of the LORD, *that were* valiant men:

18 And [n] they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, *It* [p] *appertaineth* not unto thee, Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the [q] priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither *shall it be for* thine honour from the LORD God.

19 Then Uzziah was wroth, and *had* a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he was wroth with the priests, [r] the leprosy even rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the LORD, from beside the incense altar.

20 And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he *was* leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, himself [s] hasted also to go out, because [t] the LORD had smitten him.

21 And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and [u] dwelt in a [‖] several house, *being* a leper; for he was cut off from the house of the LORD: and Jotham his son *was* over the king's house, judging the people of the land.

22 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Uzziah, first and last, did [x] Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, write.

23 So [y] Uzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in the field of the burial which *belonged* to the kings; for they said, He *is a* leper: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

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[a] 2 Sa. 8. 2.
[b] *went.*
[c] 2 Ki. 15. 32, &c. 2 Ki. 14. 13. Ne. 3. 13, 19, 32. Zec. 14. 10.
[†] or, *repaired*
[d] Ps. 119. 120. Ac. 5. 13.
[‡] or, *cut out many cisterns.*
[§] or, *fruitful fields.*
[‖] or, *the tower*, ch. 33. 14. Ne. 3. 26.
[e] *ground.*
[f] Jos. 14. 12. Lu. 1. 39.
[†] *This.*
[‡] *the power of an army*
[§] Pa. 57. 7. 78. 7. 2 Co. 15. 38. 1c. 13.
[§] or, *established.*
[‖] *stones of slings.* Ju. 20. 16.
[g] *went forth.*
[h] Mat. 4. 24.
[i] De. 32. 15.
[k] De. 8. 14. 2 Ki. 19. 4.
[l] 2 Ki. 16. 12, 13.
[m] 1 Ch. 6. 10.
[n] Mat. 14. 4. Ga. 2. 11.
[o] Ex. 34. 17. Le. 19. 4.
[p] Nu. 16. 40. 18. 7.
[q] Ju. 2. 11.
[†] or, *offered sacrifice.*
[r] 2 Ki. 23. 10.
[s] Ex. 30. 7, 8.
[t] Le. 13. 21. Pa. 106. 37, 38 Je. 32. 35. Eze. 16. 21. 20. 26, 31.
[u] Nu. 12. 10. 2 Ki. 5. 27.
[x] Is. 7. 1.
[y] *Darmesek.*
[y] Is. 9. 21.
[z] Ps. 6. 12.
[a] Le. 14. 34. De. 28. 22, 35 2 Ki. 15. 27.
[§] *sons of valour.*
[a] Le. 13. 46. Nu. 5. 2. 2 Ki. 7. 3.
[‖] *free.*
[b] *the second to.*
[c] Is. 1. 1.
[d] Ac. 7. 26.
[e] Is. 6. 1.

CHAP. XXVII.

JOTHAM [a] *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Uzziah did: howbeit [d] he entered not into the temple of the LORD. And the people did yet corruptly.

3 He built the high gate of the house of the LORD, and on the wall of [‖] Ophel he built much.

4 Moreover he built cities in [e] the mountains of Judah, and in the forests he built castles and towers.

5 ¶ He fought also with the king of the Ammonites, and prevailed against them. And the children of Ammon gave him the same year an hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. [†] So much did the children of Ammon pay unto him, both the second year, and the third.

6 So Jotham became mighty, [f] because he [§] prepared his ways before the LORD his God.

7 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, lo, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

8 He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem.

9 ¶ And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AHAZ [b] *was* twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: but he did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, like David his father:

2 For he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also [c] molten images for [f] Baalim.

3 Moreover he [†] burnt incense in [c] the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt [m] his children in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.

4 He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

5 Wherefore [g] the LORD his God delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and they smote him, and carried away a great multitude of them captives, and brought *them* to [‡] Damascus. And [y] he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter.

6 ¶ For [z] Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day, *which were* all [§] valiant men; because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.

7 And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the governor of the house, and Elkanah *that was* [a] next to the king.

8 And the children of Israel carried away captive of their [c] brethren two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.

9 But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded: and he went out

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before the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them, Behold, [a] because the LORD God of your fathers was wroth with Judah, he hath delivered them into your hand, and ye have slain them in a rage *that* [b] reacheth up unto heaven.

10 And now ye purpose to keep under the children of Judah and Jerusalem for [c] bondmen and bondwomen unto you: *but* [d] *are there* not with you, even with you, sins against the LORD your God?

11 Now hear me therefore, and [f] deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive of your brethren: [g] for the fierce wrath of the LORD *is* upon you.

12 Then certain of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against them that came from the war,

13 And said unto them, Ye shall not bring in the captives hither: for whereas we have offended against the LORD *already*, ye intend to add *more* to our sins and to our trespass: for our trespass is great, and *there is* fierce wrath against Israel.

14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the congregation.

15 And the men [e] which were expressed by name rose up, and took the captives, and with the spoil [p] clothed all that were naked among them, and arrayed them, and shod them, and [r] gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of them upon asses, and brought them to Jericho, [t] the city of palm trees, to their brethren: then they returned to Samaria.

16 ¶ At [u] that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him.

17 For again the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried away † captives.

18 The [x] Philistines also had invaded the cities of the low country, and of the south of Judah, and had taken Beth-shemesh, and Ajalon, and Gederoth, and Shocho with the villages thereof, and Timnah with the villages thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof: and they dwelt there.

19 For the LORD brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of [b] Israel; for he [c] made Judah naked, and transgressed sore against the LORD.

20 And [e] Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strengthened him not.

21 For Ahaz took away a portion *out* of the house of the LORD, and *out* of the house of the king, and of the princes, and gave *it* unto the king of Assyria: but he helped him not.

22 ¶ And [f] in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against the LORD: [g] this *is that* king Ahaz.

23 For [h] he sacrificed unto the gods of [*] Damascus, which smote him: and he said, Because the gods of the kings of Syria help them, *therefore* will I sacrifice to them, that [i] they may help me. [k] But they were the ruin of him, and of all Israel.

24 And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God, [l] and shut up the doors of the house of the LORD, and [*] he made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.

25 And in every several city of Judah he made high places ‡ to burn incense unto other gods, and provoked to anger the LORD God of his fathers.

26 ¶ Now the rest of his acts and of all his ways, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, *even* in Jerusalem: but [d] they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

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[a] Ps. 69. 26. Is. 10. 5. 47. 6. Eze. 25. 12, 15 26. 2. Ob. 10, &c. Zec. 1. 15.
[b] Ezr. 9. 6. Re. 18. 5.
[c] Le. 25. 39, 42, 43, 46.
[d] 1 Sa. 2. 30. Pr. 10. 7.
[e] Je. 25. 29. Mat. 7. 2..5.
[f] Is. 58. 6. Je. 34. 14..16 He. 13. 1, 3.
[g] Ja. 2. 13.
[h] 2 Ki. 18. 1, &c.
[i] ch. 26. 5.
[k] Ps. 101. 3. Ec. 9. 10. Mat. 6. 33. Ga. 1. 16.
[l] ch. 28. 24.
[m] ch. 35. 6. 1 Ch. 15. 12.
[n] Je. 7. 11. Lu. 19. 45, 46 2 Co. 6. 16..18.
[o] ver. 12.
[p] Job 31. 16.. 23. 1 Jno. 3. 17, 18
[r] 2 Ki. 6. 22. Pr. 25. 21, 22. Lu. 6. 27. Ro. 12. 20.
[s] Je. 2. 27. Eze. 8. 16.
[*] *given the neck.*
[t] De. 34. 3. Ju. 1. 16.
[u] 2 Ki. 16. 7.
[v] ch. 24. 18.
† *a captivity*
[x] Eze. 16. 27, 57.
‡ *commotion*, De. 28. 25.
[y] 1 Ki. 9. 8. Je. 18. 16. 19. 8. 25. 9, 18. 29. 18.
[z] ch. 28. 5, 6, 8.
[a] ch. 15. 12.
[b] ch. 21. 2.
[c] Ex. 32. 25.
§ or, *deceived*
[d] Nu. 3. 6. 8. 14. 18. 2, 6.
[e] 2 Ki. 15. 29.
‖ or, *after sacrifice.*
[f] Ps. 50. 15. Is. 1. 5. Eze. 23. 13. Ro. 16. 9..11
[g] Ps. 52. 7.
[h] ch. 25. 14.
[*] *Darmesek.*
[i] Je. 44. 17, 18.
[k] Is. 1. 28. Je. 44. 20..29 Ho. 13. 9.
[l] ver. 5.
† or, *in the business of*
[m] 1 Ch. 23. 28.
[n] ch. 29. 3, 7.
[o] Je. 2. 28.
‡ or, *to offer.*

CHAP. XXIX.

HEZEKIAH [h] began to reign *when he was* five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Abijah, the daughter of [i] Zechariah.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father had done.

3 ¶ He in [k] the first year of his reign, in the first month, [l] opened the doors of the house of the LORD, and repaired them.

4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the east street,

5 And said unto them, Hear me, ye Levites, [m] sanctify now yourselves, and [n] sanctify the house of the LORD God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy *place*.

6 For our fathers have trespassed, and done *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD our God, and have forsaken him, and have [s] turned away their faces from the habitation of the LORD, and [*] turned *their* backs.

7 Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense nor offered burnt offerings in the holy *place* unto the God of Israel.

8 Wherefore the [v] wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and he hath delivered them to ‡ trouble, to astonishment, and to [y] hissing, as ye see with your eyes.

9 For, lo, [z] our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives *are* in captivity for this.

10 Now *it is* in mine heart to make [a] a covenant with the LORD God of Israel, that his fierce wrath may turn away from us.

11 My sons, be not now § negligent: for the LORD hath [d] chosen you to stand before him, to serve him, and that ye should minister unto him, and ‖ burn incense.

12 ¶ Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of the Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah:

13 And of the sons of Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons of Asaph; Zechariah, and Mattaniah:

14 And of the sons of Heman; Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of Jeduthun; Shemaiah, and Uzziel.

15 And they gathered their brethren, and [i] sanctified themselves, and came, according to the commandment of the king, † by the words of the LORD, [m] to cleanse the house of the LORD.

16 And the priests went into the inner part of the house of the LORD, to cleanse *it*, and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the LORD into the court of the house of the LORD.

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And the Levites took *it*, to carry *it* out abroad into the brook Kidron.

17 Now they began on the first *day* of the first month to sanctify, and on the eighth day of the month came they to the porch of the LORD: so they sanctified the house of the LORD in eight days; and in the sixteenth day of the first month they made an end.

18 Then they went in to Hezekiah the king, and said, We have cleansed all the house of the LORD, and the altar of burnt offering, with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread table, with all the vessels thereof.

19 Moreover all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did [d] cast away in his transgression, have we prepared and sanctified, and, behold, they *are* before the altar of the LORD.

20 ¶ Then Hezekiah the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the LORD.

21 And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he goats, for a [k] sin offering for the kingdom, and for the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer *them* on the altar of the LORD.

22 So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and [m]sprinkled *it* on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar.

23 And they brought forth the he goats *for* the sin offering before the king and the congregation; and they laid their [p] hands upon them:

24 And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, [r] to make an atonement for all Israel: for the king commanded *that* the burnt offering and the sin offering *should be made* for all Israel.

25 And [s] he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, [t] according to the commandment of David, and of [u] Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the prophet: [v] for *so was* the commandment [§] of the LORD [‖] by his prophets.

26 And the Levites stood with the instruments [a] of David, and the priests with [b] the trumpets.

27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And [†] when the burnt offering began, [d] the song of the LORD began *also* with the trumpets, and with the [‡] instruments *ordained* by David king of Israel.

28 And all the congregation worshipped, and the [§]singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded: *and* all *this continued* until the burnt offering was finished.

29 And when they had made an end of offering, [f] the king and all that were [†] present with him [k] bowed themselves, and worshipped.

30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And [m] they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.

31 Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now ye have [‡]consecrated yourselves unto the LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank offerings into the house of the LORD. And the congregation brought in sacrifices and [n] thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart burnt offerings.

32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought, was threescore and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, *and* two hundred lambs: all these *were* for a burnt offering to the LORD.

33 And the consecrated things *were* six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep.

34 But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings: wherefore [p] their brethren the Levites [o] did help them, till the work was ended, and until the *other* priests had sanctified themselves: [r] for the Levites *were* more [d] upright in heart to sanctify themselves than the priests.

35 And also the burnt offerings *were* in abundance, with [f] the fat of the peace offerings, and [g] the drink offerings for *every* burnt offering. So [h] the service of the house of the LORD was set in order.

36 And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God [i] had prepared the people: for the thing was *done* suddenly.

CHAP. XXX.

AND Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that [i] they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, [n] to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel.

2 For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the congregation in Jerusalem, to keep the passover in the second [o] month.

3 For they could not keep it [r] at that time, [s] because the priests had not sanctified themselves sufficiently, neither had the people gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.

4 And the thing [‡] pleased the king and all the congregation.

5 So they established a decree to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beer-sheba even to Dan, that they should come to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel at Jerusalem: for they had not done *it* of a long *time in such sort* as it was written.

6 So [a] the posts went with the letters [o] from the king and his princes throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, Ye children of Israel, [s] turn again unto the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will return to the remnant of you, that are escaped out of the hand of [t] the kings of Assyria.

7 And be not ye [f] like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers, *who* therefore [g] gave them up to desolation, as ye see.

8 Now [‖] be ye not [h] stiffnecked, as your fathers *were*, *but* [o] yield yourselves unto the LORD, and enter into his sanctuary, which he hath sanctified for ever: and serve the LORD your God, [i] that the fierceness of his wrath may turn away from you.

9 For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your children *shall find* [k] compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for the LORD your God *is* [n] gracious and merciful, and will not turn away *his* face from you, if ye [p] return unto him.

10 So the posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and

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[a] Le. 7. 12. Ro. 12. 1.
[b] ch. 35. 11.
[c] *strengthened them.*
[c] ch. 30. 3.
[d] Ps. 7. 10. 26. 6.
[e] 2 Ki. 14. 16. 18.
[f] Le. 3. 16.
[g] Nu. 15. 5, 7.
[h] Ezr. 6. 18. 1 Co. 14. 40.
[i] Ps. 10. 17. Pr. 16. 1.
[k] Le. 4. 3, 14.
[l] De. 16. 2. 6.
[m] Le. 8. 14, 15, 19, 24. He. 9. 21.
[n] Ezr. 12. 3. 30. 1 Co. 5. 7, 8.
† *near.*
[o] Nu. 9 10, 11.
[p] Le. 4. 15, 24. Ex. 12. 6, 18
[r] ch. 29. 34.
[s] Le. 1. 9. 20.
‡ *was right in the eyes of the king.*
[t] 1 Ch. 16. 4. 25. 6.
[u] 1 Ch. 23. 5. 25. 1.
[v] 2 Sa. 24. 11.
[w] ch. 30. 12.
§ *by the hand of the LORD.*
‖ *by the hand of.*
[x] Ex. 8. 14. Job 9. 25. Je. 51. 31.
[y] *from the hand of.*
[a] 1 Ch. 23. 5. Am. 6. 5.
[b] Nu. 10. 8, 10. 1 Ch. 15. 24. 16. 6.
[c] Je. 4. 1. Joel 2. 13. Ja. 4. 8.
† *in the time.*
[d] ch. 23. 18.
‡ *hands of instruments.*
[e] 2 Ki. 15. 19.
[f] Exo. 20. 18.
§ *song.*
[g] ch. 29. 8.
‖ *harden not your necks*
[h] De. 10. 16. Ro. 10. 21.
[i] ch. 29. 10.
[k] *gave the hand.* 1 Ch. 29. 24. Ezr. 10. 19. Ro. 6. 13. 20
† *found.*
[k] Ps. 72. 11. Ro. 14. 11. Phi. 2 10, 11.
[l] ch. 29. 10.
[m] Ps. 32. 11. 100. 1, 2. 149. 2. Phi. 4. 4.
[n] Ps. 106. 45.
[o] Ex. 34. 6.
‡ or, *filled your hand.*
[p] Is. 55. 7.

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Manasseh even unto Zebulun: but [a] they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them.

11 Nevertheless [b] divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem.

12 Also in Judah [c] the hand of God was to give them one heart to do the commandment of the king and of the princes, [d] by the word of the LORD.

13 ¶ And there assembled at Jerusalem much people to keep the feast of unleavened bread in the second month, a very great congregation.

14 And they arose and took away the [e] altars that *were* in Jerusalem, and all the altars for incense took they away, and cast *them* into the brook Kidron.

15 Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth *day* of the second month: and the priests and the Levites were [f] ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of the LORD.

16 And they stood in [‖] their place after their manner, according to the law of Moses the man of God: the priests sprinkled the blood, *which they received* of the hand of the Levites.

17 For *there were* many in the congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charge of the killing of the passovers for every one *that was* not clean, to sanctify *them* unto the LORD.

18 For a multitude of the people, *even* [g] many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, [h] yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one

19 *That* [i] prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though *he be* not *cleansed* according to the purification of the sanctuary.

20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, [m] and healed the people.

21 And the children of Israel that were [§] present at Jerusalem kept [n] the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness: and the Levites and the priests praised the LORD day by day, *singing* with [‖] loud instruments unto the LORD.

22 And Hezekiah spake [o] comfortably unto all the Levites [p] that taught the good knowledge of the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast seven days, offering peace offerings, and [q] making confession to the LORD God of their fathers.

23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep [r] other seven days: and they kept *other* seven days with gladness.

24 For Hezekiah king of Judah [†] did [s] give to the congregation a thousand bullocks and seven thousand sheep; and the princes gave to the congregation a thousand bullocks and ten thousand sheep: and a great number of priests sanctified themselves.

25 And all the congregation of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the congregation that came out of Israel, and the strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Judah, [t] rejoiced.

26 So there was great joy in Jerusalem: for since the time of Solomon the son of David king of Israel *there was* not the like in Jerusalem.

27 ¶ Then the priests the Levites arose and [u] blessed the people: and their voice was heard, and their prayer came *up* to [x] his holy dwelling place, *even* unto heaven.

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[a] ch. 36. 16.
[b] *the habitation of his holiness.* Ps. 68. 5.
[c] ch. 11. 16.
[d] *found.*
[e] Phi. 2. 13.
[f] Ex. 23. 24. De. 7. 5. 2 Ki. 18. 4.
[g] *statues,* ch. 30. 14.
[h] ch. 29. 25.
[i] *to make an end.*
[k] 1 Ch. xxiii. xxvi.
[l] ch. 28. 24.
[m] Ps. cxxxiv. 135. 1...3. 136. 26.
[n] ch. 29. 34.
[‖] *their standing.*
[o] Nu. xxviii. xxix.
[p] Nu. 1...8, &c. Ne. 13. 10.
[q] 1 Co. 9. 9...14 Ga. 6. 6.
[r] Mal. 2. 7.
[s] *broke forth.*
[t] ver. 11.
[u] Ex. 22. 29. Pr. 3. 9.
[†] or, *dates.*
[x] Ex. 12. 43, &c.
[y] ch. 19. 3.
[z] Le. 27. 30. De. 14. 28.
[‡] *heaps, heaps.*
[a] Ps. 103. 3. Ja. 5. 15, 16.
[§] *found.*
[b] Ex. 12. 15.
[c] 2 Co. 8. 16. Ep. 1. 3. Phil. 4. 10, 19. 1 Th. 3. 9.
[‖] *instruments of strength.*
[d] *to the heart of all.* Is. 40. 2.
[e] De. 33. 10.
[f] Hag. 2. 18, 19 Mal. 3. 10. 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[g] Ezr. 10. 11.
[h] 1 Ki. 8. 65.
[†] *lifted up,* or, *offered.*
[‡] or, *storehouses.*
[a] ch. 35. 7, 8.
[b] Ne. 13. 13.
[§] *at the hand*
[c] Ps. 39. 11. 92. 4.
[d] Nu. 6. 23.
[‖] *at his hand*

CHAP. XXXI.

NOW when all this was finished, all Israel that were [†] present went out to the cities of Judah, and [q] brake the [‡] images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until [§] they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.

2 ¶ And Hezekiah appointed [/] the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and [k] to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of the LORD.

3 *He appointed* also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, *to wit,* for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts, as *it is* written in the [k] law of the LORD.

4 Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the [l] portion of the priests and the Levites, that [m] they might be encouraged in [n] the law of the LORD.

5 ¶ And as soon as the commandment [o] came abroad, the children of Israel brought in abundance [p] the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and [†] honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all *things* brought they in abundantly.

6 And *concerning* the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the [t] tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto the LORD their God, and laid *them* [‡] by heaps.

7 In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished *them* in the seventh month.

8 And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, [a] they blessed the LORD, and his people Israel.

9 Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.

10 And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, [x] Since *the people* began to bring the offerings into the house of the LORD, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for the LORD hath blessed his people; and that which is left *is* this great store.

11 ¶ Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare [‡] chambers in the house of the LORD; and they prepared *them,*

12 And brought in the offerings and the tithes and the dedicated *things* faithfully: [d] over which Cononiah the Levite *was* ruler, and Shimei his brother *was* the next.

13 And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, *were* overseers [§] under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house of God.

14 And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter toward the east, *was* over the freewill offerings of God, to distribute the oblations of the LORD, and the most holy things.

15 And [‖] next him *were* Eden, and

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Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, in [b] the cities of the priests, in *their* † set office, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as to the small:

16 Beside their genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, *even* unto every one that entereth into the house of the LORD, his daily portion for their service in their charges according to their courses;

17 Both to the genealogy of the priests by the house of their fathers, and the Levites [d] from twenty years old and upward, in their charges by their courses;

18 And to the genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, through all the congregation: for in their † set office [f] they sanctified themselves in holiness:

19 Also of the sons of Aaron the priests, *which were* in [g] the fields of the suburbs of their cities, in every several city, the men that were [i] expressed by name, to give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogies among the Levites.

20 ¶ And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and [k] wrought *that which was* good and right and truth before the LORD his God.

21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did *it* with all his heart, and prospered.

CHAP. XXXII.

AFTER [m] these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought § to win them for himself.

2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that ‖ he was purposed to fight against Jerusalem,

3 He took counsel with his princes and his mighty men to stop the waters of the fountains which *were* without the city: and they did help him.

4 So there was gathered much people together, who stopped all the fountains, and the brook that [n] ran through the midst of the land, saying, Why should the kings of Assyria come, and find much water?

5 Also [r] he strengthened himself, [s] and built up all the wall that was broken, and raised *it* up to the towers, and another wall without, and repaired [t] Millo *in* the city of David, and made † darts and shields in abundance.

6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and § spake comfortably to them, saying,

7 Be [u] strong and courageous, [v] be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that *is* with him: for [y] *there be* more with us than with him:

8 With him *is* an [e] arm of flesh; but [b] with us *is* the LORD our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people [c] rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

9 ¶ After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem, (but he *himself laid siege* against Lachish, and all his ‡ power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that *were* at Jerusalem, saying,

10 Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, [e] Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide [e] in the siege in Jerusalem?

11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst, saying, [f] The LORD our God shall deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

12 Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense upon it?

13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the people of *other* lands? [g] were the gods of the nations of those lands any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?

14 Who *was there* among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that [h] your God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall [i] your God deliver you out of mine hand?

16 And his servants spake yet *more* against the LORD God, and against his servant Hezekiah.

17 He [m] wrote also letters to rail on the LORD God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of *other* lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.

18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that *were* on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.

19 And they spake against [e] the God of Jerusalem, as against the gods of the people of the earth, *which were* the work of the hands of man.

20 And *for* this *cause* Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven.

21 ¶ And [p] the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels [s] slew him there with the sword.

22 Thus the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all *other*, and guided them on every side.

23 And many brought gifts unto the LORD to Jerusalem, and ‖ presents [x] to Hezekiah king of Judah: so that he was [z] magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.

24 ¶ In [c] those days Hezekiah was sick to the death, and prayed unto the LORD: and he spake unto him, and he † gave him a sign.

25 But Hezekiah [d] rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him; for [e] his heart was lifted up: [f] therefore there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem.

26 Notwithstanding [g] Hezekiah humbled himself for § the pride of his heart,

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[a] Ps. 4. 2. 3.
[b] Jos. 21. 9.
[c] *or, in the strong hold.*
† *or, trust.* 1 Ch. 9. 22.
[e] Ps. 3. 2. 11. 1.–3. 22. 10. 71. 11. Mat. 27. 43.
[d] 1 Ch. 23. 24, 27.
[e] Ps. 115. 3.–8. Is. 44. 8, &c. Je. 10. 11, 12. 16. 1 Co. 8. 4.
‡ *or, trust.*
[f] Is. 5. 16. Ro. 15. 16.
[g] Le. 25. 34. Nu. 35. 2.
[h] Ex. 31. 2–6. 35. 30.–36. 1. Is. 42. 8.
[i] ver. 12.–15.
[k] 2 Ki. 20. 3. Lu. 1. 6. Jno. 1. 47. Ac. 24. 16. 1 Th. 2. 10.
[l] Ex. 5. 2. De. 3. 15.
[m] 2 Ki. 19. 9, &c.
[n] 2 Ki. 18. 13, &c. Is. 36. 1, &c.
§ *to break them up.*
‖ *his face* was *to war.*
[o] He. 12. 22.
[p] *overflowed.* Mat. 13. 49. 50.
[r] Is. 22. 9, 10.
[s] ch. 25. 23.
[t] 2 Sa. 5. 9. 1 Ki. 9. 24.
† *or, swords, or, weapons*
[u] *made him full.*
[v] *spake to their heart.* ch. 30. 22. Is. 40. 2.
[x] De. 31. 6.
[y] ch. 20. 15.
‖ *precious things.*
[z] ch. 17. 5.
[a] 2 Ki. 6. 16.
[b] ch. 1. 1. Je. 17. 5. 1 Jno. 4. 4.
[c] ch. 13. 12. Ro. 8. 31.
[d] 2 Ki. 20. 1, &c. Is. 38. 1, &c.
[e] *leaned.*
† *or, wrought a miracle for him.*
[d] Ps. 116. 12.
[e] ch. 26. 16. Hab. 2. 4.
[f] ch. 24. 18.
‡ *dominion.*
[g] Je. 26. 18, 19.
§ *the lifting up.*

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both he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them [h] in the days of Hezekiah.

27 ¶ And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honour: and he made himself treasuries for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields, and for all manner of [i] pleasant jewels;

28 Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and wine, and oil; and stalls for all manner of beasts, and cotes for flocks.

29 Moreover he provided him cities, and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance: for [k] God had given him substance very much.

30 This [l] same Hezekiah also stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon, and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.

31 ¶ Howbeit in *the business of the* [§] ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, who [m] sent unto him to enquire of the wonder that was *done* in the land, God left him, to [n] try him, that he might know all *that was* in his heart.

32 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his [o] goodness, behold, they *are* written in [p] the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, *and* in the [q] book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

33 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the [r] chiefest of the sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him [s] honour at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXXIII.

MANASSEH [t] *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem:

2 But did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, like unto the [u] abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.

3 ¶ For he [v] built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had [w] broken down, and he reared up altars for Baalim, and [x] made groves, and worshipped [y] all the host of heaven, and served them.

4 Also he built altars in the house of the LORD, whereof the LORD had said, [z] In Jerusalem shall my name be for ever.

5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven [a] in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

6 And [b] he caused his children to pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom: also he observed times, and used enchantments, and used witchcraft, and dealt with a familiar spirit, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

7 And he set a carved image, the idol which he had made, in the house of God, of which God had said to David and to Solomon his son, In [c] this house, and in Jerusalem, which [d] I have chosen before all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:

8 Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have appointed for your fathers; [e] so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances by the hand of Moses.

9 So Manasseh [f] made Judah and the

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[g] Le. 18. 24. Exe. 16. 45.. 47.
[h] 2 Ki. 20. 19.
[i] Ne. 9. 29, 30. Je. 25. 4..7. 44. 4, 5. Ac. 7. 51, 52.
[k] Job 36. 8.
[l] *instruments of desire.*
† *which were the king's.*
[m] Ps. 107. 10, 11
‡ or, *chains.*
[n] De. 4. 30, 31. Ps. 119. 67. Je. 31. 18..20 Lu. 15. 17.. 19.
[o] Lu. 18. 14. Ja. 4. 10. 1 Pe. 5. 6.
[p] 2 Ch. 29. 12.
[q] Is. 22. 9, 11.
[r] Ps. 9. 16. De. 4. 25. Jno. 17. 3. He. 8. 11.
§ *interpreters.*
[s] 1 Ki. 1. 33.
[t] Is. 39 1.
[u] ch. 27. 3.
‖ or, *the tower.*
[v] De. 8. 2.
[w] Is. 2. 17..21. Ho. 14. 1..3. Mat. 3. 8.
[x] *kindnesses.*
[y] Is. xxxvi.. xxxix.
[z] 2 Ki. xviii.. xx.
† or, *highest.*
[a] Le. 7. 12.
[b] Pr. 10. 7.
[c] 2 Ki. 21. 1, &c.
[d] Pr. 15. 8. Ac. 9. 11. 1 Jno 1. 9.
[e] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[f] De. 18. 9.
‡ *returned and built.*
[g] 2 Ki. 18. 4.
[h] De. 16. 21.
[i] De. 17. 3.
§ or, *Hosai.*
[k] De. 12. 11. 1 Ki. 8. 29. 9. 3.
[l] 2 Ki. 21. 19, &c.
[m] ch. 4. 9.
[n] Lu. 12. 19, 20 Ja. 4. 13..15.
[o] Le. 18. 21. 2 Ki. 23. 10.
[p] ver. 12.
‖ *multiplied trespass.*
[q] Ps. 12. 13, 14 Je. 32. 34.
[r] Ps. 78. 68.
[s] De. 28. 1..14 Is. 1. 19, 20. Exe. 33. 25, 26.
[t] 2 Ki. 22. 1, &c.
[u] Pr. 29. 12. Mi. 6. 16.

inhabitants of Jerusalem to err, *and* [u] to do worse than the heathen, whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel.

10 And [v] the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people: but they would not hearken.

11 ¶ Wherefore [w] the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host † of the king of Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, and bound [x] him with ‡ fetters, and carried him to Babylon.

12 And [y] when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and [z] humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers,

13 And prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh [a] knew that the LORD he *was* God.

14 Now after this he built a wall without the city of David, on the west side of [b] Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate, and compassed [c] about ‖ Ophel, and raised it up a very great height, and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah.

15 And [d] he took away the strange gods, and the idol out of the house of the LORD, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and cast *them* out of the city.

16 And he repaired the altar of the LORD, and sacrificed thereon peace offerings and [e] thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve the LORD God of Israel.

17 Nevertheless the people did sacrifice still in the high places, *yet* unto the LORD their God only.

18 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, [f] and his prayer unto his God, and the words of [g] the seers that spake to him in the name of the LORD God of Israel, behold, they *are written* in the book of the kings of Israel.

19 His prayer also, and *how God* was intreated of him, and all his sins, and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up groves and graven images, before he was humbled: behold, they *are* written among the sayings of § the seers.

20 ¶ So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his own house: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

21 ¶ Amon [h] *was* two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned [i] two years in Jerusalem.

22 But he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as did Manasseh his father: for Amon sacrificed unto all the carved images which Manasseh his father had made, and served them;

23 And humbled not himself before the LORD, [k] as Manasseh his father had humbled himself; but Amon ‖ trespassed more and more.

24 And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own house.

25 ¶ But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

CHAP. XXXIV.

JOSIAH [l] *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and thirty years.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the

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ways of David his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.

3 ¶ For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to [a] seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began [b] to purge Judah and Jerusalem [c] from the high places, and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images.

4 And [d] they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the [e] images, that *were* on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust *of them*, and strowed *it* upon the [§] graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.

5 And he [f] burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.

6 And *so did he* in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, with their [‖] mattocks round about.

7 And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had [f] beaten the graven images [‡] into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.

8 ¶ Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land, and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, to repair the house of the LORD his God.

9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered [m] the money that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites that kept the doors had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.

10 And they put *it* in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair and amend the house:

11 Even to the artificers and builders gave they *it*, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and [‖] to floor the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed.

12 And the men did the work [r] faithfully: and the overseers of them *were* Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set *it* forward; and *other of* the Levites, all that could skill of instruments of musick.

13 Also *they were* over the bearers of burdens, and *were* overseers of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: [s] and of the Levites *there were* scribes, and officers, and porters.

14 ¶ And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest [t] found a book of the law of the LORD *given* [o] by Moses.

15 And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, "I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah delivered the book to Shaphan.

16 And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king word back again, saying, All that was committed [†] to thy servants, they do *it*.

17 And they have [§] gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD, and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen.

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[a] De 17.18..20 Je. 13. 18. 22. 1, 2.
[o] *in it.*
[b] ch. 15. 8.
[c] 1 Ki. 13. 2.
[d] Je. 26. 22..24 Joel 2. 13. Jon. 3. 5..8.
[e] ch. 33. 17,22.
[f] Le. 26. 30.
† or, *Achbor*, 2 Ki. 22. 12.
‡ or, *sun images.*
[g] Ps. 25. 14. Pr. 3. 6. Am. 3. 7.
§ *face of the graves.*
[h] Ps. 76. 7. Da. 9. 5..7. Na. 1. 6. Ro. 1. 18. 2.8..12. 4. 15.
[i] 1 Ki. 13. 2.
‖ or, *mauls.*
[k] 2 Ki. 22. 14.
[o] or, *Harhas.*
[l] De. 9. 21.
† *garments.*
‡ *to make yoarder.*
§ or, *in the school*, or, *in the second part.*
[m] Jos. 23. 16. Is. 5. 4..6. Je. 6. 19. 19. 3, 15. 35. 17. Da. 9. 11..14
[n] 2 Ki. 12. 4, &c. Phi. 4. 8.
[o] Je. 7. 30. Eze. 20. 40. Mar. 9. 43. 48.
[p] Ps. 51. 17. Is. 57. 15.
‖ or, *to rafter.*
[r] Ne. 7. 2 Mat. 24. 45. Lu. 16. 1,10 ..12. 1 Co. 4. 2, 3. 3 Jno. 5.
[s] Ps. 37. 37.
[t] 2 Ki. 23. 1, &c.
[u] 1 Ch. 23. 4,5.
[v] 2 Ki. 22. 8, &c.
[o] *by the hand of.*
† *from great even to small.*
[x] De. 31. 24..26
[y] ch. 6. 13. 2 Ki. 11. 14. 23. 3.
‡ *to the hand of.*
§ *poured out*, or, *melted.*
‖ *found.*

18 Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath given me a book. And Shaphan [v] read [o] it before the king.

19 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that [d] he rent his clothes.

20 And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and [†] Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,

21 Go, [g] enquire of the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found: for great is [h] the wrath of the LORD that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

22 And Hilkiah, and *they* that the king *had appointed*, went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of [k] Tikvath, the son of [o] Hasrah, keeper of the [†] wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem [§] in the college:) and they spake to her to that *effect*.

23 ¶ And she answered them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell ye the man that sent you to me,

24 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, [m] I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah:

25 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be poured out upon this place, [o] and shall not be quenched.

26 And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to enquire of the LORD, so shall ye say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel *concerning* the words which thou hast heard;

27 Because thine [p] heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God, when thou heardest his words against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before me; I have even heard *thee* also, saith the LORD.

28 Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, [r] and thou shalt be gathered to thy grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants of the same. So they brought the king word again.

29 ¶ Then [t] the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.

30 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, [†] great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the house of the LORD.

31 And the king stood in [s] his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.

32 And he caused all that were [‖] present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand *to it*. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did

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according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.

33 And Josiah took away all the [a] abominations out of all the countries that *pertained* to the children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to serve, *even* to serve the LORD their God. [c] *And* all his days they departed not [†] from following the LORD, the God of their fathers.

CHAP. XXXV.

MOREOVER [d] Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the passover on the [/] fourteenth *day* of the first month.

2 And he set the priests in their [g] charges, and [h] encouraged them to the service of the house of the LORD,

3 And said unto the Levites [k] that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, [m] Put the holy ark [n] in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; [o] *it shall* not *be* a burden upon *your* shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel,

4 And prepare *yourselves* by the [p] houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the [r] writing of David king of Israel, and according to the [s] writing of Solomon his son.

5 And [u] stand in the holy *place* according to the divisions of [‖] the families of the fathers of your brethren [•] the people, and *after* the division of the families of the Levites.

6 So kill the passover, and [v] sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that *they* may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

7 And [x] Josiah [‡] gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these *were* of the king's substance.

8 And his princes [§] gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred *small cattle*, and three hundred oxen.

9 Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, [†] gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand *small cattle*, and five hundred oxen.

10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment.

11 And they killed the passover, and the priests [/] sprinkled *the blood* from their hands, and the Levites [z] flayed *them*.

12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as *it is* written [b] in the book of Moses. And so *did they* with the oxen.

13 And they [k] roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the *other* holy *offerings* [‡] sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and [§] divided *them* [m] speedily among all the people.

14 And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron *were* *busied* in offering of burnt offerings and the fat

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[a] 1 Ki. 11. 5. • *station.*
[b] 1 Ch. 25. 1, &c.
[c] Je. 3. 10. † *from after.*
[d] 1 Ch. 9. 17, 18. 26. 14, &c.
[e] 2 Ki. 23. 21, 22.
[f] Ex. 12. 6. Ezr. 6. 19.
[g] ch. 23. 18.
[h] ch. 29. 5, 11. ‡ *found.*
[i] ch. 30. 21. Ex. 12. 15. 13. 6.
[k] ch. 30. 22. Da. 33. 10. Mal. 2. 7.
[l] 2 Ki. 23. 22, 23.
[m] ch. 34. 14.
[n] ch. 5. 7.
[o] 1 Ch. 23. 26.
[p] 1 Ch. 9. 10.
[r] 1 Ch. xxiii. 1. xxvi.
[s] Je. 46. 2.
[t] ch. 8. 14. § *house.*
[u] Ps. 134. 1. ‖ *the house of the fathers.*
• *the sons of the people.*
[v] ch. 29. 5, 15. 30. 3, 15. Ezr. 6. 20. † *the house of my war.*
[x] ch. 30. 24. ‡ *offered.*
[y] 1 Ki. 22. 34. § *offered.*
‖ *made sick.* 1 Ki. 22. 34.
[z] 2 Ki. 23. 30.
[a] Ps. 36. 6. Ec. 8. 14. 9. 1, 2. • or, *among the sepulchres.*
[b] Zec. 12. 11. † *offered.*
[c] La. 4. 20.
[d] Mar. 9. 23.
[e] Je. 22. 20.
[f] ch. 29. 22. Le. 1. 5, 6. Nu. 18. 3, 7. He. 9. 21, 22. ‡ *kindnesses.*
[g] ch. 29. 34.
[h] Le. 3. 3.
[i] 2 Ki. 23. 30, &c.
[k] Ex. 12. 8, 9. De. 16. 7.
[l] 1 Sa. 2. 13, 15. § *made them run.*
[m] Ro. 12. 11. ‖ *removed him.*
• *mulcted.*

until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.

15 And the singers the sons of Asaph *were* in their [a] place, according to the commandment [b] of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters [d] *waited at* every gate; they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.

16 So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.

17 And the children of Israel that were [†] present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of [†] unleavened bread seven days.

18 And [f] there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.

20 ¶ After [g] all this, when Josiah had prepared the [§] temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to fight against Charchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him.

21 But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? *I come* not against thee this day, but against [†] the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from *meddling with* God, who *is* with me, that he destroy thee not.

22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but [y] disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo.

23 And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore [‖] wounded.

24 His [•] servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and [a] he died, and was buried [•] in *one of* the sepulchres of his fathers. And [b] all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.

25 ¶ And Jeremiah [c] lamented for Josiah: and [d] all the singing men and the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, [e] and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they *are* written in the lamentations.

26 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his [‡] goodness, according to *that which was* written in the law of the LORD,

27 And his deeds, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

CHAP. XXXVI.

THEN [i] the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem.

2 Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months in Jerusalem.

3 And the king of Egypt [k] put him down at Jerusalem, and [•] condemned the land in an hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold.

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4 And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem, and turned his name to Jehoiakim. And Necho took Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him to Egypt.

5 ¶ Jehoiakim *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God.

6 Against *f* him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in § fetters, to *g* carry him to Babylon.

7 Nebuchadnezzar *h* also carried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon.

8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that which was found in him, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah: and ‖ Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

9 ¶ Jehoiachin [m] *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD.

10 And † when the year was expired, king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon, *i* with the ‡ goodly vessels of the house of the LORD, and made § Zedekiah [n] his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem.

11 ¶ Zedekiah [o] *was* one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.

12 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God, *and* humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet *speaking* from the mouth of the LORD.

13 And [p] he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he *k* stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.

14 ¶ Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.

15 And [q] the LORD God of their fathers sent to them [r] by his messengers, rising up † betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place:

16 But *s* they mocked the messengers of God, and [t] despised his words, and [u] misused his prophets, until the [v] wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till *there was* no ‡ remedy.

17 Therefore *x* he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who *k* slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave *them* all into his hand.

18 And *l* all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all *these* he brought to Babylon.

19 And [w] they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.

20 And [x] them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; [y] where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:

21 To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of [z] Jeremiah, until the land [a] had enjoyed her sabbaths: *for* as long as she lay desolate [b] she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years.

22 ¶ Now [c] in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD *spoken* by the mouth of [d] Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of [e] Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

23 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem which *is* in Judah. Who *is there* among you of all his people? The LORD his God *be* with him, and let him go up.

a Jo. 23. 34, 4.
b *by the hand of.*
† i. e. *continuedly and carefully.*
c Jo. 5. 12, 13.
d Pr. 1. 25, 30.
e Mat. 23. 34.
f Ps. 79. 5.
‡ *healing.*
f 2 Ki. 24. 1.
g De. 28. 49.
h Ps. 74. 20.
§ or, *chains*: forstold Hab. 1. 6.
i Je. 36. 30.
k Da. 1. 1, 2.
l 2 Ki. 25. 13, &c.
‖ or, *Jeconiah*, 1 Ch. 3. 16. or, *Coniah*, Je. 22. 24.
m Ps. 74. 6, 7.
n 2 Ki. 24. 8.
o *the remainder from.*
† *at the return of the year.*
o Je. 27. 7.
p Da. 5. 2.
‡ *vessels of desire.*
§ or *Mattaniah, his father's brother.* 2 Ki. 24. 17.
r Je. 37. 1.
s Je. 25. 9, 12.
t Je. 52. 1, &c.
u Le. 26. 34, 35, 43.
v Le. 25. 4, 5.
x Ezr. 1. 1.
y Je 33. 10, 14.
z Ese 17. 15, 18.
a Is. 44. 28.
b 2 Ki. 17. 14.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II.—JOPPA, a very ancient sea-port in Canaan, seated on a fine plain thirty-four miles north-west of Jerusalem, to which it was anciently the only port. It occupies an eminence in the form of a sugar-loaf, with a citadel on the summit. It is supposed to have been founded by Japhet. Here Jonah took ship (Jonah i.) Here Peter restored Dorcas (Acts ix.) Its modern name is Jaffa.

CH. XII.—SHISHAK, a king of Egypt, who declared war against Rehoboam, king of Judah, in the fifth year of his reign. He entered Judea with an innumerable multitude of people out of Egypt, the countries of Lubim, of Sochim, and of Cush, captured the strongest places in the country, and carried away from Jerusalem the treasures of the Lord's house, and of the king's palace, as well as the golden bucklers of solomon. Shishak was Sesostris, according to Sir Isaac Newton; the greatest conqueror, and the most celebrated hero of antiquity. After having made great conquest in India, Assyria, Media, Scythia, Phœnicia, Syria, Judea, &c., his army was routed in Greece by Persons, which disgrace, together with the attempts of his brother Danaus to usurp his kingdom in his absence, obliged him to return into Egypt, in the ninth year of his expedition. From hence he drove Danaus, who took refuge in Greece. Where are all the conquests of this mighty monarch now? What is Egypt itself, once so populous and powerful? It is, as Divine prophecy predicted, "the basest of kingdoms." "Every word of God is true." The sketch of Shishak which is given in the illustrations is taken from the wonderful walls of the palace of Karnac, and faithfully copied by Champollion, the celebrated decypherer of the Egyptian hieroglyphics, who had no doubt but that it is a veritable portrait of the monarch, and was executed by his order.

CH. XXVII.—THE BALISTA. Little is now known respecting the most ancient war machines. Before the introduction of modern instruments of warfare, those still used by savage nations were employed, with the additional advantages of machinery, for inventive ingenuity sought, in the assistance of mechanical powers, for that additional strength which the human frame did not possess: and by the application of these powers, it arrived at means of throwing very heavy weights of stone to great distances, and very powerful darts, or many darts at a single discharge, with greater force and velocity than the simple bow was capable of accomplishing, when drawn only by strength of arm.' The machines chiefly in use, though differently shaped, were constructed on the same principle. There were three sorts commonly in use: the *Balista* was always employed in throwing great stones, the *Scorpio* in sending the lesser darts and arrows, and the *Catapultæ* in casting the larger sort of darts and spears. From the earliest ages to the unprincipled invasion of Rome by the French, in this year 1849, war has been the curse of the world, and ingenuity has been continuously at work to invent

'New pangs for life, new tortures for the grave.'

O come that blessed day when men shall not "learn war any more!"

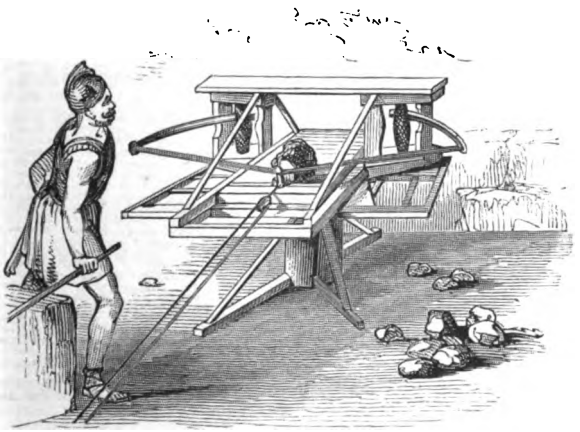
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JOPPA.—*Finden.*—2 Chron. ii. 16.



SHISHAK.—*Rosellini.*—2 Chron. xii.



THE BALISTA.—*Calmet.*—2 Chron. xxvi. 15.

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EZRA.

Ezra was a priest and scribe of the house of Aaron, and wrote this book to record the return of the Jews from Babylon to Jerusalem, after the seventy years' captivity.

CHAP. I.

NOW in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD [a] by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, [d] the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, [e] that he [•] made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

2 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged [f] me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah.

3 Who *is there* among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, ([g] he *is* the God,) which *is* in Jerusalem.

4 And whosoever remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, [h] let the men of his place † help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, beside the freewill offering for the house of God that *is* in Jerusalem.

5 ¶ Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all *them* whose spirit [i] God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem.

6 And all they that *were* about them ‖ strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all *that* was [k] willingly offered.

7 ¶ Also [l] Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth [m] out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods;

8 Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto [n] Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.

9 And this *is* the number of them: thirty chargers of gold, a thousand chargers of silver, nine and twenty knives,

10 Thirty basons of gold, silver basons of a second *sort* four hundred and ten, *and* other vessels a thousand.

11 All [o] the vessels of gold and of silver *were* five thousand and four hundred. All *these* did Sheshbazzar bring up with *them of* [l] the captivity that were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

CHAP. II.

NOW [r] these *are* the children of the province that went up out of the captivity, of those which had been carried away, [s] whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city;

2 Which came with Zerubbabel: Jeshua, Nehemiah, ‖ Seraiah, [•] Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, † Mizpar, Bigvai, ‡ Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel:

3 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

4 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

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[a] Ne. 7. 10.
[b] 2 Ch. 36. 22, 23. Je. 25. 12. 29. 10.
[c] Ne. 7. 11.
[d] Ps. 105. 46. Pr. 21. 1. Da. 2. 1.
[e] ch. 5. 13,14.
[•] *caused a voice to pass.* Jno. 1. 22.
[f] Is. 44. 28. 45. 1, 13.
† or, *Binnui*, Ne. 7. 15.
[g] De. 32. 31. Ps. 83. 18. Is. 45. 5. Je. 10. 10. Da. 6. 26. Ac. 10. 36.
[h] 2 Jno. 6..8.
‡ *lift him up.* Ge. 6. 2.
[i] Pr. 16. 1. 2 Co. 8. 16. Phi. 2. 13. Ja. 1. 16, 17.
§ or, *Hariph*, Ne. 7. 24.
‖ 1. e. *helped them.*
• or, *Gibeon*, Ne. 7. 25.
[k] Ps. 110. 3. 2 Co. 9. 7.
[l] ch. 5. 14. 6. 5.
[m] 2 Ki. 24. 13. 2 Ch. 36. 7.
† or, *Beth-azmaveth*, Ne. 7. 28.
[n] ch. 5. 14.
[o] 1711.2.30,31.
‡ *the transportation.*
[p] ver. 7.
[r] Ne. 7.6,&c.
§ or, *Harid*, as it is in some copies
[s] 2 Ki. 24.14.. 16. 25. 11. 2 Ch. 36. 20.
[t] 1 Ch. 24. 7.
‖ or, *Azariah*, Ne. 7. 7.
• or, *Raamiah.*
† or, *Mispereth.*
‡ or, *Nehum.*
[u] 1 Ch. 24. 14.
[v] 1 Ch. 9. 12.
[w] 1 Ch. 24. 8.

5 The children of Arah, [t] seven hundred seventy and five.

6 The children of [u] Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua *and* Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve.

7 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

8 The children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five.

9 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

10 The children of † Bani, six hundred forty and two.

11 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three.

12 The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two.

13 The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six.

14 The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six.

15 The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four.

16 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

17 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three.

18 The children of § Jorah, an hundred and twelve.

19 The children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three.

20 The children of • Gibbar, ninety and five.

21 The children of Beth-lehem, an hundred twenty and three.

22 The men of Netophah, fifty and six.

23 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

24 The children of † Azmaveth, forty and two.

25 The children of Kirjath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three.

26 The children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

27 The men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and two.

28 The men of Beth-el and Ai, two hundred twenty and three.

29 The children of Nebo, fifty and two.

30 The children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six.

31 The children of the other [v] Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

32 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

33 The children of Lod, § Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five.

34 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

35 The children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and thirty.

36 ¶ The priests: the children of [w] Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.

37 The children of [x] Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

38 The children of [y] Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.

39 The children of [z] Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

40 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua

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and Kadmiel, of the children of [o] Hodaviah, seventy and four.

41 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.

42 ¶ The children of the porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, *in* all an hundred thirty and nine.

43 ¶ The [d] Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth,

44 The children of Keros, the children of † Siaha, the children of Padon,

45 The children of Lebanah, the children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub,

46 The children of Hagab, the children of ‡ Shalmai, the children of Hanan,

47 The children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah,

48 The children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam,

49 The children of Uzza, the children of Paseah, the children of Besai,

50 The children of Asnah, the children of Mehunim, the children of † Nephusim,

51 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,

52 The children of ‡ Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

53 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Thamah,

54 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

55 ¶ The children of [f] Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of || Peruda,

56 The children of Jaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

57 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of [o] Ami.

58 All the [m] Nethinims, and the children of [o] Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.

59 And these *were* they which went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, † Addan, *and* Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, and their ‖ seed, whether they *were* of Israel:

60 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two.

61 ¶ And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai; which took a wife of the daughters of † Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name:

62 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: [n] therefore [o] were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.

63 And the † Tirshatha said unto them, that they [p] should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with [q] Urim and with Thummim.

64 ¶ The [r] whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred *and* threescore,

65 Beside their servants and their maids, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and *there were* among them two hundred singing men and singing women.

66 Their horses *were* seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five;

67 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five; *their* asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.

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[o] or, *Judah*, ch. 3. 9. called also *Hodevah*, Ne. 7. 43.
[d] Ne. 7. 70.
[b] Le. 21. 1, 4.
[2] Co. 9. 7.
[e] 1 Ch. 25. 20.
[d] 1 Ch. 9. 2.
[d] Ne. 7. 73.
† or, *Sia.*
‡ or, *Shamlai.*
§ or, *Joshua*, Hag. 1. 1. 2. 2. Zec. 3. 1.
|| Called *Zorobabel*, Mat. 1. 12.
• Called *Salathiel*, Lu. 3. 27.
† or, *Nephisheim.*
[f] De. 12. 5.
‡ or, *Bashlith*, Ne. 7. 54.
[g] Nu. 28. 3, 4.
[h] Zec. 14. 16, 17.
[i] Ex. 23. 16.
[k] Nu. 29. 12, &c.
[l] 1 Ki. 9. 21.
§ *the matter of the day in his day.*
|| or, *Perida*, Ne. 7. 57.
[m] Ex. 29. 38.
• or, *Amon*, Ne. 7. 59.
[n] Jos. 9. 21, 27.
• 1 Ki. 9. 21.
† *temple of the LORD was not yet founded.*
‡ or, *Addon*, Ne. 7. 61.
§ or, *workmen.*
[p] 1 Ki. 5. 6, 9. 2 Ch. 2. 10. Ac. 12. 20.
|| or, *pedigree.*
[q] Ac. 9. 36.
[r] ch. 6. 3.
[t] 2 Sa. 17. 27.
[u] Nu. 3. 10.
• *they were polluted from the priesthood.*
[v] 1 Ch. 23. 24, 27.
† or, *governor.* Ne. 8. 9.
[x] Le. 22. 2, 10, 15, 16.
[y] ch. 2. 40.
[z] Ex. 28. 30. Nu. 27. 21.
[a] Ne. 7. 67.
‡ or, *Hodaviah*, ch. 2. 40.
§ *as one.*
[b] 1 Ch. 16. 5, 6, 42
[c] 1 Ch. 6. 31.
[d] 2 Ch. 7. 3.
[e] Ps. cxxxvi. 1, 2, 10.
[f] Je. 33. 11.

68 ¶ And [a] *some* of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD which *is* at Jerusalem, [b] offered freely for the house of God to set it up in his place:

69 They gave after their ability unto the [c] treasure of the work threescore and one thousand drams of gold, and five thousand pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments.

70 So [d] the priests, and the Levites, and *some* of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelt in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

CHAP. III.

AND when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel *were* in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem.

2 Then stood up § Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and || Zerubbabel the son of • Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as *it is* / written in the law of Moses the man of God.

3 And they set the altar upon his bases; for fear *was* upon them because of the people of those countries: and they offered burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD, *even* burnt offerings morning and evening.

4 They [h] kept also the feast of tabernacles, [i] as *it is* written, and [k] *offered* the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, § as the duty of every day required;

5 And afterward *offered* the [m] continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that willingly offered a freewill offering unto the LORD.

6 From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt offerings unto the LORD. But the † foundation of the temple of the LORD was not *yet* laid.

7 They gave money also unto the masons, and to the § carpenters; and [n] meat, and drink, and oil, unto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of [o] Joppa, [p] according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.

8 ¶ Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem; [q] and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.

9 Then stood [r] Jeshua *with* his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of ‡ Judah, § together, to set forward the workmen in the house of God: the sons of Henadad, *with* their sons and their brethren the Levites.

10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, [s] they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the [t] ordinance of David king of Israel.

11 And [u] they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; [v] because *he is* good, / for his mercy *endureth* for ever toward Israel. And all the

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people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

12 But [a] many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, *who were* ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy:

13 So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

CHAP. IV.

NOW when [a] the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that [‡] the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel;

2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye *do;* and we do sacrifice unto him [d] since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.

3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, [e] Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as [A] king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us.

4 Then [f] the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,

5 And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.

6 And in the reign of [‡] Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign, wrote they *unto him* an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem.

7 ¶ And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote [‡] Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their [•] companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter *was* written in the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

8 Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the [†] scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort:

9 Then *wrote* Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their [‡] companions; [m] the Dinaites, the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehavites, *and* the Elamites,

10 And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnapper brought over, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest *that are* on this side the river, [g] and [§] at such a time.

11 ¶ This *is* the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, *even* unto Artaxerxes the king; Thy servants the men on this side the river, and at such a time.

12 Be it known unto the king, that the Jews which came up from thee to us are come unto Jerusalem, building [•] the rebellious and the bad city, and have [•] set up the walls *thereof*, and [†] joined the foundations.

13 Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be builded, and the walls set up *again*, *then* will they not [‡] pay [n] toll, tribute, and custom, and *so* thou shalt endamage the [§] revenue of the kings.

14 Now because [‖] we have maintenance

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[a] Ezr. 33. 31. Jno. 12. 5,6.
[b] Hag. 2. 3.
[c] Ch. *made.*
[†] Ch. *in the midst thereof.*
[e] ver. 7..9.
[‡] *the sons of the transportation.*
[§] Ch. *societies.*
[‖] Ch. *by me a decree is set.*
[d] ver. 10.
2 Ki. 17. 24, 33,33 19. 37.
[•] Ch. *lifted up itself.*
[f] Ne. 2. 20.
[f] 1 Ki. 4. 21. Ps. 72. 8.
[g] Ge. 15. 18. Jos. 1. 4.
[A] ch. 1. 1..3.
[†] Ch. *Make a decree.*
[i] ch. 3. 3.
[‡] *Ahasheverosh.*
[k] Pr. 4. 16. Mi. 2. 1. Ro. 3. 15..18
[§] Ch. *arm.*
[‖] or, *in peace.*
[•] *societies.*
[l] Hag. 1. 1.
[†] or. *secretary.*
[m] Zec. 1. 1.
[‡] Ch. *societies.*
[n] 2 Ki. 17. 20, 31.
[o] ch. 3. 2.
[p] 2 Co. 1. 24.
[r] ch. 6. 6.
[s] ver. 11, 17. ch. 7. 12.
[§] Ch. *Cheemeth.*
[t] ver. 9. Mar. 11. 27, 28. Ac. 4. 7.
[‖] Ch. *build.*
[u] ch. 7. 6, 28. Ps. 33. 18. Phi. 1. 28. 1 Po. 3. 12.
[v] 2 Ki. 18. 20. Lu. 23. 2..5. Ac. 24. 5.
[•] or, *finished.*
[†] Ch. *sewed together.*
[‡] Ch. *give.*
[x] ch. 7. 24.
[y] ch. 4. 9.
[§] or, *strength*
[‖] Ch. *we are salted with the salt of the palace.*
[•] Ch. *in the midst whereof.*

The decree of Artaxerxes.

from *the king's* palace, and [•] it was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour, therefore have we sent and certified the king;

15 That search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records, and know that this city *is* a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have [•] moved sedition [†] within the same of old time: for which cause was this city destroyed.

16 We certify the king that, if this city be builded *again*, and the walls thereof set up, by this means thou shalt have no portion on this side the river.

17 ¶ *Then* sent the king an answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and *to* Shimshai the scribe, and *to* the rest of their [§] companions that dwell in Samaria, and *unto* the rest beyond the river, Peace, and at such a time.

18 The letter which ye sent unto us hath been plainly read before me.

19 And [‖] I commanded, and search hath been made, and it is found that this city of old time hath [•] made insurrection against kings, and *that* rebellion and sedition have been made therein.

20 There have been mighty kings also over Jerusalem, which have *f* ruled over all *countries* [§] beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and custom, was paid unto them.

21 [†] Give ye now commandment to cause these men to cease, and that this city be not builded, until *another* commandment shall be given from me.

22 Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings?

23 ¶ Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes' letter *was* read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, [k] they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made them to cease by [§] force and power.

24 Then ceased the work of the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.

CHAP. V.

THEN the prophets, [l] Haggai the prophet, and [m] Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied unto the Jews that *were* in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the God of Israel, *even* unto them.

2 Then rose up [o] Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem: and with them *were* the prophets of God [p] helping them.

3 ¶ At the same time came to them [r] Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai, and their companions, and said thus unto them, [s] Who hath commanded you to build this house, and to make up this wall?

4 Then said we unto them after this manner, What are the names of the men that [‖] make this building?

5 But [u] the eye of their God was upon the elders of the Jews, that they could not cause them to cease, till the matter came to Darius: and then they returned answer by letter concerning this *matter.*

6 ¶ The copy of the letter that Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai, [y] and his companions the Apharsachites, which *were* on this side the river, sent unto Darius the king:

7 They sent a letter unto him, [•] wherein

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was written thus; Unto Darius the king, [a] all peace.

8 Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with † great stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work goeth fast on, and prospereth in their hands.

9 Then asked we those elders, *and* said unto them thus, [c] Who commanded you to build this house, and to make up these walls?

10 We asked their names also, to certify thee, that we might write the names of the men that *were* the chief of them.

11 And thus they returned us answer, saying, [d] We are the servants of the God of heaven and earth, and build the house that *was* builded these many years ago, which a great king of Israel builded [e] and set up.

12 But [f] after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto wrath, he gave them into the hand of [g] Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the people away into Babylon.

13 But in the first year of [h] Cyrus the king of Babylon *the same* king Cyrus made a decree to build this house of God.

14 And [i] the vessels also of gold and silver of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took out of the temple that *was* in Jerusalem, and brought them into the temple of Babylon, those [m] did Cyrus the king take out of the temple of Babylon, and they were delivered unto *one*, [p] whose name *was* Sheshbazzar, whom he had made ‡ governor;

15 And said unto him, Take these vessels, go, carry them into the temple that *is* in Jerusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.

16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, *and* [r] laid the foundation of the house of God which *is* in Jerusalem: and since that time even until now hath it been in building, and [s] *yet* it is not finished.

17 Now therefore, if *it seem* good to the king, [u] let there be search made in the king's treasure house, which *is* there at Babylon, whether it be *so*, that a decree was made of Cyrus the king to build this house of God at Jerusalem, and let the king send his pleasure to us concerning this matter.

CHAP. VI.

THEN Darius the king made a decree, [a] and search was made in the house of the [b] rolls, where the treasures were † laid up in Babylon.

2 And there was found at ‡ Achmetha, in the palace that *is* in the province of the Medes, a roll, and therein *was* a record thus written:

3 In the first year of Cyrus the king *the same* Cyrus the king made a decree *concerning* the house of God at Jerusalem, Let [f] the house be builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof threescore cubits, *and* the breadth thereof threescore cubits;

4 *With* [i] three rows of great stones, and a row of new timber: [f] and let the expences be given out of the king's house:

5 And also let [m] the golden and silver vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be restored, and [o] brought again unto the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, *every one* to his place, and place *them* in the house of God.

6 Now *therefore*, Tatnai, governor beyond the river, Shethar-boznai, and † your companions the Apharsachites, which *are* beyond the river, be ye far from thence:

7 Let [b] the work of this house of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house of God in his place.

8 Moreover § I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these Jews for the building of this house of God: that of the king's goods, *even* of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith expences be given unto these men, that they be not ‖ hindered.

9 And that which they have need of, both young bullocks, and rams, and lambs, for the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the appointment of the priests which *are* at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day without fail:

10 That [t] they may offer sacrifices [u] of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and [d] pray for the life of the king, and of his sons.

11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall alter this word, let timber be pulled down from his house, and being set up, let him † be hanged thereon; [m] and let his house be made a dunghill for this.

12 And the God that hath caused his [o] name to dwell there destroy all kings and people, that shall put to their hand to alter *and* to destroy this house of God which *is* at Jerusalem. I Darius have made a decree; [r] let it be done with speed.

13 ¶ Then Tatnai, governor on this side the river, Shethar-boznai, and their companions, according to that which Darius the king had sent, so they did speedily.

14 And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded, and finished *it*, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the § commandment of [w] Cyrus, and [x] Darius, and [y] Artaxerxes king of Persia.

15 And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.

16 [z] And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the ‖ children of the captivity, kept [a] the dedication of this house of God with joy,

17 And [b] offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred bullocks, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering for all Israel, twelve he goats, according to the number of the tribes of Israel.

18 And they set the priests in their [c] divisions, and the Levites in their [d] courses, for the service of God, which *is* at Jerusalem; § as [e] it is written in the book of Moses.

19 And the children of the captivity kept the passover [f] upon the fourteenth *day* of the first month.

20 For the priests and the Levites were [h] purified together, all of them *were* pure, and [h] killed the passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.

21 And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the [n] filthiness of the heathen of the land,

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[a] Ch. *go.*
[c] Da. 4. 1. Jno. 14. 27. 2 Th. 3. 16.
† Ch. *stones of rolling.*
‡ Ch. *their societies.*
[b] Ac. 5. 38, 39.
[c] Mat. 21. 23.
§ Ch. *by me a decree is made.*
[d] Ps. 119. 46. Lu. 12. 8. Ac. 27. 23. Ro. 1. 16. Ga. 6. 14.
‖ Ch. *made to cease.*
[e] 1 Ki. 6. 1.
[f] 2 Ch. 36. 16, 17.
[g] 2 Ki. 24. 2. 25. 8, 9, 11.
[h] ch. 7. 23. Je. 29. 7.
[i] Ch. *of rest.*
[k] 1 Ti. 2. 1, 2.
[h] ch. 1. 1. Is. 44. 28. 45. 1.
[l] ch. 1. 7, 8.
† Ch. *be destroyed.*
[m] Da. 2. 5. 3. 29.
[n] Pr. 21. 1.
[o] 1 Ki. 9. 3.
[p] Hag. 1. 14. 2. 2, 21.
‡ or, *deputy.* Ac. 23. 7.
[r] Joh 5. 12, 13.
[s] ch. 3. 8, 10.
[t] ch. 6. 15.
[u] Pr. 25. 2.
§ Ch. *decree.*
[v] ch. 1. 1. 5. 13.
[w] ch. 4. 24.
[y] ch. 7. 1.
‖ Ch. *sons of the transportation.*
[z] 1 Ki. 8. 63. 2 Ch. 7. 5.
[a] ch. 5. 17. Job 29. 16.
[b] ch. 8. 35.
[c] Ch. *books.*
† Ch. *made to descend.*
‡ or, *Ecbatana*, or, *in a coffer.*
[e] 1 Ch. 24. 1.
[d] 1 Ch. 23. 6.
§ Ch. *according to the writing.*
[e] Nu. 3. 6. 8. 9.
[f] Ps. 122. 3, 4.
[g] Ex. 12. 6.
[h] 2 Ch. 30. 15.
[i] 1 Ki. 6. 38.
[k] 2 Ch. 35. 11.
[l] Ps. 68. 29. Is. 49. 23. 60. 6..10.
[m] ch. 5. 14.
[n] ch. 9. 11.

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to seek the LORD God of Israel, did eat.

22 And kept the [a] feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for the LORD had made them joyful, and [b] turned the heart [c] of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.

CHAP. VII.

NOW after these things, in the reign of [d] Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra [f] the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,

2 The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,

3 The son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,

4 The son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,

5 The son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief priest:

6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he *was* a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, [h] according to the hand of the LORD his God upon him.

7 And [i] there went up *some* of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and [k] the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.

8 And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which *was* in the seventh year of the king.

9 For upon the first *day* of the first month [‡] began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first *day* of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, [e] according to the good hand of his God upon him.

10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to [p] seek the law of the LORD, and to do *it*, and to [q] teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

11 ¶ Now this *is* the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest, the scribe, *even* a scribe of the words of the commandments of the LORD, and of his statutes to Israel.

12 Artaxerxes, [r] king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the God of heaven, perfect *peace*, [s] and at such a time.

13 I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and *of* his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.

14 Forasmuch as thou art sent [t] of the king, and of his [u] seven counsellors, to enquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of thy God which *is* in thine hand;

15 And to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely offered unto the God of Israel, [x] whose habitation *is* in Jerusalem,

16 And [y] all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province of Babylon, with the freewill offering of the people, and of the priests, [z] offering willingly for the house of their God which *is* in Jerusalem:

17 That thou mayest [f] buy speedily with this money bullocks, rams, lambs, with their [g] meat offerings and their drink offerings, and [h] offer them upon the altar of the house of your God which *is* in Jerusalem.

18 And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do after the will of your God.

19 The vessels also that are given thee for the service of the house of thy God, *those* deliver thou before [i] the God of Jerusalem.

20 And whatsoever more shall be needful for the house of thy God, which thou shalt have occasion to bestow, bestow *it* out of the king's treasure house.

21 And I, *even* I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which *are* beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you, it be done speedily,

22 Unto an hundred talents of silver, and to an hundred [¶] measures of wheat, and to an hundred baths of wine, and to an hundred baths of oil, and salt without prescribing *how much*.

23 [†] Whatsoever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be [k] diligently done for the house of the God of heaven: for why should there be wrath against the realm of the king and his sons?

24 Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers, porters, Nethinims, or ministers of this house of God, it shall not be lawful to impose toll, tribute, or custom, upon them.

25 And thou, Ezra, after [l] the wisdom of thy God, that *is* in thine hand, [m] set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the people that *are* beyond the river, all such as know the laws of thy God; and [n] teach ye them that know *them* not.

26 And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him, whether *it be* unto death, or [§] to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment.

27 ¶ Blessed [o] *be* the LORD God of our fathers, [p] which hath put *such a thing* as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem:

28 And [q] hath extended mercy unto me before the king, and his counsellors, and before all the king's mighty princes. And I was strengthened as [r] the hand of the LORD my God *was* upon me, and I gathered together out of Israel chief men to go up with me.

CHAP. VIII.

THESE *are* now the chief of their fathers, and *this is* the genealogy of them that went up with me from Babylon, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king.

2 Of the sons of Phinehas; Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar; Daniel: of the sons of David; [a] Hattush.

3 Of the sons of Shechaniah, of the sons of [b] Pharosh; Zechariah: and with him were reckoned by genealogy of the males an hundred and fifty.

4 Of the sons of Pahath-moab; Elihoenai the son of Zerahiah, and with him two hundred males.

5 Of the sons of Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel, and with him three hundred males.

6 Of the sons also of Adin; Ebed the son of Jonathan, and with him fifty males.

7 And of the sons of Elam; Jeshaiah the son of Athaliah, and with him seventy males.

8 And of the sons of Shephatiah; Zebadiah the son of Michael, and with him fourscore males.

9 Of the sons of Joab; Obadiah the son

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[a] Ex. 12. 15. 13. 6. 2 Ch. 30. 21. 35. 17.
[b] Pr. 21. 1.
[c] ch. 1. 1. 2 Ki. 23. 29. 2 Ch. 33. 11.
[d] 2 Ch. 32. 19. Jo. 3. 17.
[e] Ne. 2. 1.
[f] 1 Ch. 6. 14.
[g] Ch. *corn.*
[†] Ch. *Whatsoever is of the decree.*
[h] Ps. 119. 4. Ec. 9. 10.
[i] ch. 8. 22, 31.
[k] ch. 8. 1.
[l] ch. 8. 15, &c.
[m] Ps. 19. 7. 119. 98.. 100. Pr. 2. 6. Ja. 1. 5.
[n] Ex. 18. 21, 22 De. 16. 18.
[o] Mal. 2. 7. Mat. 23. 2, 3. Ro. 10. 14..17
[‡] *was the foundation of the going up.*
[p] Ne. 2. 8, 18.
[§] Ch. *to rooting out.*
[q] Ps. 119. 45.
[r] 1 Ch. 29. 10.
[s] De. 33. 10. Mal. 2. 7.
[t] 2 Co. 8. 16. Ja. 1. 17.
[u] ch. 9. 9.
[x] ch. 8. 18.
[y] Esa. 26. 7. Da. 2. 37.
[‖] or, *to Ezra the priest, a perfect teacher of the law of the God of heaven,* peace, *&c.*
[z] ch. 4. 10.
[¶] Ch. *from before the king.*
[a] Ezr. 1. 14.
[b] 1 Ch. 3. 22.
[c] ch. 2. 3.
[d] 2 Ch. 6. 2. Ps. 135. 21.
[e] ch. 8. 25.
[f] 1 Ch. 29. 6, 9. 2 Co. 8. 12. 9. 7.
[g] De. 14. 24, 26 Jno. 2. 13, 14
[h] Nu. 15. 4..13
[i] Da. 12. 5, 11.

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of Jehiel, and with him two hundred and eighteen males.

10 And of the sons of Shelomith; the son of Josiphiah, and with him an hundred and threescore males.

11 And of the sons of Bebai; Zechariah the son of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight males.

12 And of the sons of Azgad; Johanan the [a] son of Hakkatan, and with him an hundred and ten males.

13 And of the last sons of Adonikam, whose names *are* these, Eliphelet, Jeiel, and Shemaiah, and with them threescore males.

14 Of the sons also of Bigvai; Uthai, and [†] Zabbud, and with them seventy males.

15 ¶ And I gathered them together to the river that runneth to Ahava; and there: abode we in tents three days: and I viewed the people, and the priests, and found there none of the [d] sons of Levi.

16 Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam, chief men; also for Joiarib, and for Elnathan, [e] men of understanding.

17 And I sent them with commandment unto Iddo the chief at the place Casiphia, and [§] I told them what they should say unto Iddo, *and* to his brethren the Nethinims, at the place Casiphia, that they should bring unto us ministers for the house of our God.

18 And [g] by the good hand of our God upon us they [h] brought us a man of understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen;

19 And Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their sons, twenty;

20 Also [i] of the Nethinims, whom David and the princes had appointed for the service of the Levites, two hundred and twenty Nethinims: [m] all of them were expressed by name.

21 ¶ Then I [p] proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might [r] afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a [s] right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.

22 For [t] I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, [v] The hand of our God *is* upon all them for good that seek him; but [w] his power and his wrath *is* against all them that forsake him.

23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was [x] intreated of us.

24 ¶ Then I separated twelve of the chief of the priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them,

25 And weighed unto them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, *even* the offering of the house of our God, which the king, and his counsellors, and his lords, and all Israel *there* present, had offered:

26 I even weighed unto their hand six hundred and fifty talents of silver, and silver vessels an hundred talents, *and* of gold an hundred talents;

27 Also twenty basons of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of [o] fine copper, [‡] precious as gold.

28 And I said unto them, Ye *are* [z] holy unto the LORD; the vessels *are* [m] holy also; and the silver and the gold *are* a freewill offering unto the LORD God of your fathers.

29 Watch ye, and keep *them*, until ye weigh *them* before the chief of the priests and the Levites, and chief of the fathers of Israel, at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of the LORD.

30 So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, to bring *them* to Jerusalem unto [a] the house of our God.

31 [c] Then we departed from the river of Ahava on the twelfth *day* of the first month, to go unto Jerusalem: and [b] the hand of our God was upon us, and he delivered us from the hand of the enemy, and of such as lay in wait by the way.

32 And we [c] came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days.

33 ¶ Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold and the vessels weighed in the house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest; and with him *was* Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them *was* Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah the son of Binnui, Levites;

34 By number *and* by weight of every one: and all the weight was written at that time.

35 *Also* the children of those that had been carried away, which were come out of the captivity, [f] offered burnt offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he goats *for* a sin offering: all *this was* a burnt offering unto the LORD.

36 ¶ And they delivered the king's [i] commissions unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors on this side the river: and [k] they furthered the people, and the house of God.

CHAP. IX.

NOW when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not [n] separated themselves from the people of the lands, [o] *doing* according to their abominations, *even* of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

2 For they have [r] taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that the [n] holy seed have [r] mingled themselves with the people of *those* lands: yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.

3 And when I heard this thing, [e] I rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down [e] astonied.

4 Then were assembled unto me every one that [d] trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until the [f] evening sacrifice.

5 ¶ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my [‖] heaviness; and having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and [f] spread out my hands unto the LORD my God,

6 And said, O my God, I am [§] ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for [k] our iniquities are increased over *our* head, and our [†] trespass is [l] grown up unto the heavens.

7 Since the days of our fathers *have* [m] we *been* in a great trespass unto this day; and for our iniquities [n] have we, our kings,

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[a] or, *youngest son.*
[a] Ps. 122. 9. Is. 60. 13
[b] ch. 7. 6, 9, 28.
[†] or, *Zaccur, as some read.*
[c] Ne. 2. 11.
[‡] or, *pitched.*
[d] ch. 7. 7.
[e] Ps. 19. 7. Pr. 2. 6. 20. 5. Da. 2. 21. 1 Co. 14. 20. 2 Ti. 2. 7.
[§] *I put words in their mouth.* Ex. 4. 15. De. 18. 18. 2Sa. 14. 3, 19. Je. 1. 9.
[f] ch. 6. 17. La. 1. Ps. 66. 10.. 15 116. 17.. 19 La. 1. 7, 15.
[g] Pr. 3. 6.
[h] Ne. 6. 7. 9. 4, 5.
[i] ch. 7. 21.
[k] Is. 56. 6, 7.
[l] ch. 2. 43.
[m] Phi. 4. 3.
[n] Nu. 9. 2.
[o] De. 12. 30, 31
[p] Joel 1. 14.
[r] Is. 58. 3, 5.
[s] Ps. 5. 8. Je. 10. 23.
[t] Ex. 34. 16. De. 7. 3.
[u] 1 Co. 9. 15.
[v] Ex. 19. 6. 22. 31. 1 Co. 7. 14.
[x] 2 Co. 6. 14.
[y] Ro. 8. 28. 1 Ps. 3. 12.
[z] 2 Ch. 15. 2. Ps. 31. 16. 71. 8, 9. 90. 11. He. 10. 38.
[a] Job 1. 30.
[b] Is. 19. 22. Je. 29. 12, 13. Mat. 7. 7, 8. 1 Jno. 5. 13.
[c] Ps. 143. 4.
[d] Is. 66. 2.
[e] Ex. 29. 39.
[‖] or, *affliction*
[f] Ex. 9. 29, 33.
[g] Da. 9. 7, 8.
[h] Ps. 38. 4.
[i] *yellow*, or, *shining brass.*
[†] or, *guiltiness.*
[j] 2 Ch. 28. 9. Re. 18. 5.
[k] *desirable.*
[l] Le. 21. 6.. 8. De. 33. 9. Is. 52. 11.
[m] Ps. 106. 6.
[n] Nu. 4. 4, 15.
[n] De. 28. 36, 64

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and our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as *it is* this day.

8 And now for a [a] little space grace hath been *shewed* from the LORD our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us [†] a nail in his holy place, that our God may [b] lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage.

9 For [c] we *were* bondmen; [d] yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but [e] hath extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and [§] to repair the desolations thereof, and to give us [ƒ] a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem.

10 And now, O our God, [h] what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy commandments,

11 Which thou hast commanded [‖] by thy servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the [i] filthiness of the people of the lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from [†] one end to another with their uncleanness.

12 Now therefore [ƒ] give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, [k] nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and [ℓ] leave *it* for an inheritance to your children for ever.

13 And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God [ᵐ] hast [§] punished us *less* than our iniquities *deserve*, and hast given us *such* deliverance as this;

14 Should we [ⁿ] again break thy commandments, and [ᵒ] join in affinity with the people of these abominations? wouldest not thou be [ᵖ] angry with us till thou hadst consumed *us*, so that *there should be* no remnant nor escaping?

15 O LORD God of Israel, [q] thou *art* righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as *it is* this day: behold, we *are* [r] before thee [s] in our trespasses: for we cannot [t] stand before thee because of this.

CHAP. X.

NOW [a] when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and casting himself down [b] before the house of God, there assembled unto him out of Israel a very great congregation of men and women and children: for the people wept very sore.

2 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, *one* of the sons of Elam, answered and said unto Ezra, We have trespassed against our God, and have taken strange wives of the people of the land: yet now there is hope in Israel concerning this thing.

3 Now therefore let us make [c] a covenant with our God [§] to put away all the wives, and such as are born of them, according to the counsel of my lord, and of those that [a] tremble at the commandment of our God; and let it be done according to the law.

4 Arise; for *this* matter *belongeth* unto thee: we also *will be* with thee: [ƒ] be of good courage, and do *it*.

5 Then arose Ezra, and made the chief priests, the Levites, and all Israel, to swear that they should do according to this word. And they sware.

6 ¶ Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the chamber

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[a] De. 9. 18. Job 23. 12.
[b] *moment.*
[†] or, *a pin*: that is, *a constant and sure abode.* Is. 22. 23.
[b] Ps. 13. 3. 34. 5.
[c] Ne. 9. 36.
[d] Ps. 136. 23.
[e] ch. 7. 28.
[‡] *devoted.*
[ƒ] Mat. 18. 17. Jno. 9. 22, 34. 1 Co. 5. 13.
[§] *to set up.*
[ƒ] Is. 5. 2.
[h] Ro. 3. 19.
[‖] *by the hand of thy servants.*
[i] 1 Sa. 12. 18.
[e] *the showers*
[k] ch. 6. 21.
[†] *mouth to mouth.* 2 Ki. 21. 16.
[ƒ] *caused to dwell*, or, *have brought back.*
[ℓ] Ex. 23. 32. 34. 16.
[ᵐ] Jos. 7. 19. Ps. 32. 5. Pr. 28. 13. Je. 3. 13. 2 Co. 6. 17. 1 Jno. 1. 7, 9.
[n] De. 23. 6.
[o] Pr. 13. 20.
[p] Ps. 103. 10.
[§] *withheld beneath our iniquities.*
[q] Jno. 5. 14. 2 Pe. 2. 20, 21.
[‖] or, *we have greatly offended.*
[r] Ne. 13. 23, 27
[s] De. 9. 8.
[t] Da. 9. 14.
[a] 2 Ch. 30. 8.
[b] or, *till this matter* be dispatched
[c] Ro. 3. 19.
[a] 1 Co. 15. 17.
[ƒ] Ps. 130. 3.
[†] *stood.*
[a] Da. 9. 20.
[b] 2 Ch. 20. 9.
[‡] *a great weeping.*
[c] De. 29. 12. 2 Ki. 11. 17. 2 Ch. 15. 12. 34. 31. Ne. 10. 29.
[§] *to bring forth.*
[d] 2 Ki. 10. 15. 1 Ch. 29. 24.
[e] ch. 9. 4. Ps. 119. 120. Is. 66. 2. Ere. 9. 4. Hab. 3. 16.
[ƒ] Le. 5. 15, 16. 6. 4. 6.
[g] Is. 25. 3, 4. He. 10. 24. 12. 12, 13.

of Johanan the son of Eliashib: and *when* he came thither, he [c] did eat no bread, nor drink water: for he mourned because of the transgression of them that had been carried away.

7 And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto all the children of the captivity, that they should gather themselves together unto Jerusalem;

8 And that whosoever would not come within three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders, all his substance should be [‡] forfeited, and [ƒ] himself separated from the congregation of those that had been carried away.

9 ¶ Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within three days. It *was* the ninth month, on the twentieth *day* of the month; and [i] all the people sat in the street of the house of God, trembling because of *this* matter, and for [k] the great rain.

10 And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, Ye have transgressed, and have [ℓ] taken strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel.

11 Now therefore [ᵐ] make confession unto the LORD God of your fathers, and do his pleasure: and separate yourselves from the people of the land, and from the strange wives.

12 Then all the congregation answered and said with a loud voice, As thou hast said, so must we do.

13 But the people *are* many, and *it is* a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand without, neither *is this* a work of one day or two: for [‖] we are many that have transgressed in this thing.

14 Let now our rulers of all the congregation stand, and let all them which have taken strange wives in our cities come at appointed times, and with them the elders of every city, and the judges thereof, until [ᵖ] the fierce wrath of our God [q] for this matter be turned from us.

15 ¶ Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahaziah the son of Tikvah [†] were employed about this *matter:* and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Levite helped them.

16 And the children of the captivity did so. And Ezra the priest, *with* certain chief of the fathers, after the house of their fathers, and all of them by *their* names, were separated, and sat down in the first day of the tenth month to examine the matter.

17 And they made an end with all the men that had taken strange wives by the first day of the first month.

18 ¶ And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives: *namely*, of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah.

19 And they [r] gave their hands that they would put away their wives; and *being* guilty, [ƒ] *they offered* a ram of the flock for their trespass.

20 And of the sons of Immer; Hanani, and Zebadiah.

21 And of the sons of Harim; Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uzziah.

22 And of the sons of Pashur; Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, Nethaneel, Jozabad, and Elasah.

23 Also of the Levites; Jozabad, and

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Shimei, and Kelaiah, (the same *is* Kelita,) Pethahiah, Judah, and Eliezer.

24 Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and Telem, and Uri.

25 Moreover of Israel: of [b] the sons of Parosh; Ramiah, and Jeziah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.

26 And of the sons of Elam; Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Eliah.

27 And of the sons of Zattu; Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza.

28 Of the sons also of Bebai; Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, *and* Athlai.

29 And of the sons of Bani; Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, and Ramoth.

30 And of [d] the sons of Pahath-moab; Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.

31 And *of* the sons of Harim; Eliezer, Ishijah, [e] Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon,

32 Benjamin, Malluch, *and* Shemariah.

33 Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mattathah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh, *and* Shimei.

34 Of the sons of Bani; Maadai, Amram, and Uel,

35 Benaiah, Bedeiah, Chelluh,

36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,

37 Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasau,

38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei,

39 And Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah,

40 [e] Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai,

41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah,

42 Shallum, Amariah, *and* Joseph.

43 Of the sons of [f] Nebo; Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau, and Joel, Benaiah.

44 All these had taken [g] strange wives: and *some* of them had wives by whom they had children.

[a] No. 3. 11. *Malchijah.*

[b] ch. 2. 3. No. 7. 8.

[c] *or, Mebunadebai, according to some copies.*

[d] No. 7. 33.

[e] No. 7. 11.

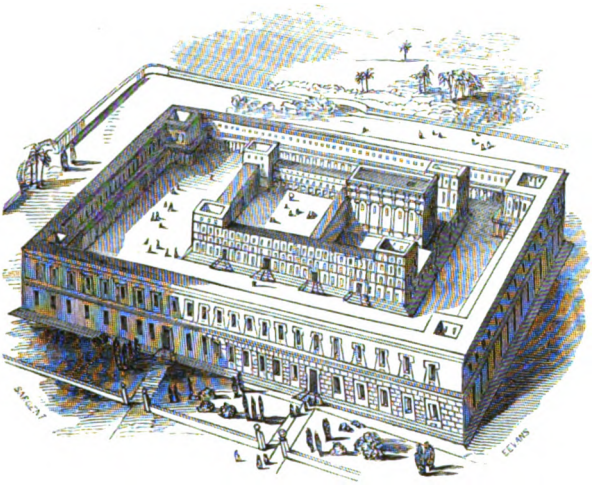
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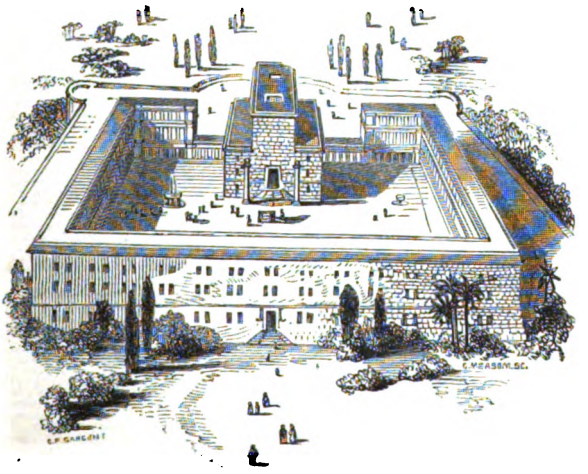
CH. III. 11, 13.—FIRST TEMPLE. The cut gives the supposed form according to Calmet, for no two writers agree in their descriptions. David intended to erect the First Temple, and collected materials for the purpose, but Providence ordained that Solomon his son should have the honour, as David's hands had been stained in the blood of war. The gold, the silver, the brass, the iron, and the other materials which David had collected, were therefore left at the disposal of his son. This magnificent structure was erected on Mount Moriah, which was cut into a square of 304 yards on each side, having been shaped, levelled, and extended by the Jews, for the purpose of forming a suitable site. Arches were made under ground, to prevent the possibility of pollution from secret graves; and it was surrounded by a stone wall above forty-seven feet in height, the surrounding earth being sloping. It was built much in the same form as the tabernacle, but was of much larger dimensions. The utensils for sacred service were also the same. Solomon laid the foundation of this grand edifice in the year of the world 2992, and it was finished in the year 3000, having occupied seven years and six months in the building. In 3001 it was dedicated to the worship of Jehovah with great solemnity, on which occasion he made a special manifestation of his glory, 2 Chr. vii. 1. 'The front or entrance to the temple was on the eastern side, and consequently facing the Mount of Olives, which commanded a noble prospect of the building: the holy and holiest of all, therefore, stood toward the west. The temple itself, strictly so called, which comprised the portico, the sanctuary, and the holy of holies, formed only a small part of the sacred edifice, being surrounded by spacious courts, chambers, and other apartments, which were more extensive than the temple itself.' The part which constituted the temple itself has been estimated by Bishop Cumberland to have been about thirty-six yards long, twelve yards broad, and eighteen yards in height. There were several courts. The court of the Gentiles was that into which persons of all nations were permitted to enter. Solomon's porch, of which we read, was on the east side or front of the temple, and was so called because it was built by this prince upon a high wall from the valley of Kidron. The court was surrounded with piazzas or covered walks. The court of the women was so designated by the Jews, not because none but women were permitted to enter it, but because it was their appointed place of worship, beyond which they might not go, unless when they brought a sacrifice, in which case they went forward to the court of Israel. This court is called the new court, 2 Chron. xx. 5; and the outer court, Ezek. xlvi. 21. The court of Israel was separated from the court of the women by a lofty wall. The ascent into this court was by a flight of fifteen steps, of a semi-circular form, on which it is by some thought that the Levites stood and sung the "Psalms of degrees," CXX.—CXXXVI., at the feast of tabernacles. This court was divided into two parts, and contained the court of the Israelites and the court of the priests. Its whole length was about 324 feet, and its breadth about 247 feet. The court of the Israelites was a kind of piazza surrounding the court of the priests, and under this the Israelites stood while their sacrifices were burning in the court of the priests. It had thirteen gates with chambers above them, each of which had its particular name and use. Within this court stood the brasen altar on which the sacrifices were consumed, the molten sea in which the priests washed, and the ten brasen layers for washing the sacrifices: also the various utensils and instruments for sacrificing, as named in 2 Chron. iv. Although the court of the priests was not accessible to all Israelites, as that of Israel was to all the priests, yet they might enter it to lay their hands on the animals which they offered, to kill them, or to wave some part of them. From the court of the priests the ascent to the temple was by a flight of twelve steps, which led into the sacred porch, within the door of which, and in sight of those who stood in the courts immediately before it, were the two pillars, Jachin and Boaz. It has been computed that the gold and silver used in the temple weighed 44,000 tons, being in value more than 1,000,000,000 sterling. 184,000 workmen were employed on the building during the time of its erection, and during the festival at its opening, which lasted fourteen days, 22,000 oxen, and 120,000 sheep, were sacrificed as a peace-offering, and for the supply of the people. This temple existed in its glory only thirty-four years, for Israel's idol commission of the invasion of Shishak, king of Egypt, who then carried away the sacred treasures, 1 Kings xii. and xiv; 2 Chron. xii. And in the year 3077, B. C., Nebuchadnezzar carried away the sacred vessels; and six-years afterwards he utterly destroyed the temple and city, 2 Kings xxv.; 2 Chron. xxxvi.; Jer. lii.

Ver. 8, 11.—SECOND TEMPLE. Zerubbabel, the prince of the Jews, led back nearly 50,000 of the people from Babylon to Jerusalem, under the decree of Cyrus, and rebuilded and dedicated, twenty-one years after, in the forty-two years, Ezra i.—iii. The Samaritans contrived to prejudice Artaxerxes, king of Persia, against the work of the Jews, and the building was suspended during fifteen years; but in the reign of Darius it was finished and dedicated, twenty-one years after, in the year, B.C. 513. The dimensions of this temple in breadth and height were double those of Solomon's, but it was very inferior in splendour, and had no Ark, no Shechinah, no Holy Fire, no Urim and Thummim. This temple was plundered by Antiochus Epiphanes, king of Syria, 167 years B.C. Judas Maccabeus recovered the city after three years, repaired the temple, and restored Divine worship. This temple was honoured with the presence of the incarnate Saviour. It was, however, rendered exceedingly splendid by Herod the Great, who expended so much upon it for many years that it was almost a new temple. Let us bless God for the gracious dispensation under which we live, that we have no broad lines of distinction for devout worshippers, nor limited spots on which to worship; but we have the faithful promise, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them," Matt. xviii. 20.

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SUPPOSED FORM OF THE FIRST TEMPLE.—*Calmet.*—Ezra iii. 11.



SUPPOSED FORM OF THE SECOND TEMPLE.—*Calmet.*—Ezra iii. 12.

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CHAP. I.

THE words of [a] Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass [b] in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I *was* in [c] Shushan the palace,

2 That Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and *certain* men of Judah; and [d] I asked them concerning the Jews that had escaped, which were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

3 And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province *are* [e] in great affliction and reproach: [f] the wall of Jerusalem also [g] *is* broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.

4 ¶ And it came to pass, when I heard these words, [h] that I sat down and wept, and mourned *certain* days, and fasted, and prayed before the God of heaven,

5 And said, I beseech thee, [i] O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, [k] that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:

6 Let thine ear now be attentive, and [l] thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy servant, which I pray before thee now, [m] day and night, for the children of Israel thy servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned.

7 We [n] have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have [o] not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandedst thy servant Moses.

8 Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy servant Moses, saying, [p] *If* ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad among the nations:

9 But [q] *if* ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, *yet* will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there.

10 Now [r] these *are* thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.

11 O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who [s] desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the king's cupbearer.

CHAP. II.

AND it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of [t] Artaxerxes the king, *that* wine *was* before him: and I took up the wine, and gave *it* unto the king. Now I had not been *beforetime* sad in his presence.

2 Wherefore the king said unto me, Why *is* thy countenance sad, seeing thou *art* not sick? this *is* nothing *else* but [u] sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid,

3 And said unto the king, [x] Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when [y] the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire?

4 Then the king said unto me, [z] For what dost thou make request? So [a] I prayed to the God of heaven.

5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it.

6 And the king said unto me, (the [b] queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him [c] a time.

7 Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah;

8 And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace which *appertained* [d] to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, [e] according to the good hand of my God upon me.

9 ¶ Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me.

10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and [f] Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard *of it*, [g] it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel.

11 So I [h] came to Jerusalem, and was there three days.

12 ¶ And I arose [i] in the night, I and some few men with me; neither [k] told I *any* man what [l] my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem: neither *was* *there any* beast with me, save the beast that I rode upon.

13 And I went out by night [m] by the gate of the valley, even before the dragon well, and to the dung port, and viewed the walls of Jerusalem, which were [n] broken down, and the gates thereof were consumed with fire.

14 Then I went on to the gate of the fountain, and to the king's pool: but *there* *was* no place for the beast *that was* under me to pass.

15 Then went I up in the night by the [o] brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entered by the gate of the valley, and *so* returned.

16 And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did; neither had I as yet told *it* to the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the nobles, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the work.

17 ¶ Then said I unto them, [p] Ye see the distress that we *are* in, how Jerusalem *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more [q] a reproach.

18 Then [r] I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as

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[a] ch. 1. 2.
[b] ch. 10. 1.
[c] Zec. 7. 1.
[d] Mar. 10. 51.
[e] Ez. 1. 2, 5.
[f] Pr. 3. 6. Phil. 4. 6.
[g] Ps. 122. 6., 9. 137. 5, 6.
[h] *or*, *it*.
[i] Ps. 44. 11.. 14. Is. 32. 9..14. 43. 28. La. 1. 7. 5. 1.
[j] ch. 2. 17.
[k] 2 Kl. 25. 10.
[l] ch. 13. 6.
[m] Ps. 102. 13, 14. Ro. 12. 15.
[n] Da. 9. 4.
[o] Ex. 20. 6. He. 6. 13..18
[p] ch. 3. 7.
[q] 1 Kl. 8. 28, 29. 2 Ch. 6. 40.
[r] Ezr. 5. 5.
[s] Lu. 2. 37. 18. 7.
[t] 2 Ti. 1. 3.
[u] Ps. 106. 6.
[v] De. 28. 15.
[w] Pr. 30. 21, 22.
[x] Nu. 32. 3, 4. Ps. 119. 10. Pr. 27. 4. Ac. 4. 2. 5. 34.
[y] Ezr. 8. 32.
[z] La. 26. 33. De. 4. 25, &c 28. 64.
[a] Ge. 32. 29. Jos. 10. 9. Ju. 6. 27. Mat. 2. 14.
[b] Ec. 3. 7. Am. 5. 13. Mat. 10. 16.
[c] La. 26. 25, &c. De. 30. 2.
[d] 2 Co. 8. 16. Ja. 1. 16, 17.
[e] ch. 3. 13.
[f] 2 Ch. 32. 9.
[g] De. 9. 20.
[h] ch. 1. 3.
[i] Is. 26. 8. He. 13. 18.
[k] 2 Sa. 15. 23. Je. 31. 40. Jno. 18. 1.
[l] Ezr. 7. 1.
[m] La. 2. 2. 3. 51.
[n] Pr. 15. 13.
[o] ch. 1. 3. Ps. 44. 13. 79. 4. Je. 24. 9. Eze. 5. 14, 15 22. 4.
[p] 1 Kl. 1. 31. Da. 2. 4.
[q] Is. 26. 3, 4.

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also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they [a] strengthened their hands for *this* good *work*.

19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard *it*, they [b] laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What *is* this thing that ye do? will ye [c] rebel against the king?

20 Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build: [d] but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.

CHAP. III

THEN [e] Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they builded [f] the sheep gate; [g] they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; [h] even unto the tower of Meah they sanctified it, unto the tower of [m] Hananeel.

2 And [†] next unto him builded [i] the men of Jericho. And next to them builded Zaccur the son of Imri.

3 But [k] the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build, who *also* laid the beams thereof, and [l] set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

4 And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz. And next unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the son of Meshezabeel. And next unto them repaired Zadok the son of Baana.

5 And next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to [n] the work of their Lord.

6 Moreover [o] the old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

7 And next unto them repaired Melatiah [p] the Gibeonite, and Jadon the Meronothite, the men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, unto the [q] throne of the governor on this side the river.

8 Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, of [r] the goldsmiths. Next unto him also repaired Hananiah the son of *one of* [s] the apothecaries, and they ‖ fortified Jerusalem unto the broad wall.

9 And next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of the half part of Jerusalem.

10 And next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, even over against his house. And next unto him repaired Hattush the son of Hashabniah.

11 Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hashub the son of Pahath-moab, repaired the [t] other piece, [‡] and the tower of the furnaces.

12 And next unto him repaired Shallum the son of Halohesh, the ruler of the half part of Jerusalem, he [‡] and his daughters.

13 The [u] valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah; they built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and a thousand cubits on the wall unto the dung gate.

14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ruler of part of [x] Beth-haccerem; he built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

15 But the gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of Col-hozeh, the ruler of part of Mizpah; he built it, and co-

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[a] 2 Sa. 2. 7. Ho. 1:13,14 1 Co. 16. 13. Ep. 6. 10.
[b] Is. 8. 6. *Siloah.* Lu. 13. 4. Jno. 9. 7. *Siloam.*
[c] Ps. 89. 6. Mat. 9. 24. He. 11. 36.
[d] Ac. 2. 29.
[e] 2 Ki. 20. 20. Is. 22. 11.
[f] ch. 6. 6.
[g] Exr. 4. 3. Ac. 8. 21.
[h] ch. 12. 10.
[i] Jno. 5. 2.
[k] De. 20. 5. Ps. 30. title.
[l] ch. 12. 39.
[m] 2 Ch. 26. 9.
[n] or, *Zaccai.*
[o] Je. 31. 38. Zec. 14. 10.
[†] *at his hand*
[p] Exr. 2. 34.
[q] 2 Ch. 33. 14. Zep. 1. 10.
[r] ch. 6. 1. 7. 1.
[s] Ju. 5. 23. 1 Co. 3. 9. 2 Co. 6. 1.
[t] ch. 12. 39.
[u] Je. 31. 2. 35. 1. 37. 21.
[v] ch. 11. 21. Exr. 2. 43.
[‡] or, which *dwelt in Ophel*, repaired *unto*
[w] Jos. 9. 3, &c. 2 Sa. 21. 1, 2.
§ or, *the tower.*
[y] 2 Ch. 27. 3.
[z] ch. 8. 1, 2. 12. 37.
[a] ch. 2. 8.
[b] Is. 40. 6.
[c] Ge. 50. 2. Ex. 30. 25.
‖ or, *left.*
[d] 2 Ki. 11. 16. 2 Ch. 23. 15. Je. 31. 40.
[e] *second measure.*
[f] ch. 12. 38.
[g] Ex. 35. 25. Lu. 8. 3. Phi. 4. 3.
[h] ch. 2. 13.
[†] or, *corner-chamber.*
[k] Je. 6. 1.
[i] ch. 2. 10, 19.
[k] Ps. 35. 15, 16. 41. 13, 14. Mat. 27. 29.

vered it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and the wall of the pool of [k] Siloah by the king's garden, and unto the stairs that go down from the city of David.

16 After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of the half part of Bethzur, unto *the place* over against [d] the sepulchres of David, and to the [e] pool that was made, and unto the house of the mighty.

17 After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. Next unto him repaired Hashabiah, the ruler of the half part of Keilah, in his part.

18 After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the son of Henadad, the ruler of the half part of Keilah.

19 And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ruler of Mizpah, another piece over against the going up to the armoury at the [m] turning *of the wall*.

20 After him Baruch the son of [o] Zabbai earnestly repaired the other piece, from the turning *of the wall* unto the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest.

21 After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz another piece, from the door of the house of Eliashib even to the end of the house of Eliashib.

22 And after him repaired the priests, the men of the plain.

23 After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub over against their house. After him repaired Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by his house.

24 After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from the house of Azariah unto the turning *of the wall*, even unto the corner.

25 Palal the son of Uzai, over against the turning *of the wall*, and the tower which lieth out from the king's high house, that *was* by the [n] court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh.

26 Moreover [p] the Nethinims I dwelt in § Ophel, [y] unto *the place* over against [z] the water gate toward the east, and the tower that lieth out.

27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the great tower that lieth out, even unto the wall of Ophel.

28 From above the [a] horse gate repaired the priests, every one over against his house.

29 After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his house. After him repaired also Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the east gate.

30 After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the sixth son of Zalaph, another piece. After him repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against his chamber.

31 After him repaired Malchiah the goldsmith's son unto the place of the Nethinims, and of the merchants, over against the gate Miphkad, and to the [†] going up of the corner.

32 And between the going up of the corner unto the sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths and the merchants.

CHAP. IV.

BUT it came to pass, [i] that when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, he was wroth, and took great indignation, and [k] mocked the Jews.

2 And he spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What

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do these [a] feeble Jews? will they [b] fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?

3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite *was* by him, and he said, Even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.

4 Hear, [c] O our God; for we are [†] despised: and [d] turn their reproach upon their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of captivity:

5 And [e] cover not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out from before thee: for they have provoked *thee to* anger before the builders.

6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for [f] the people had a mind to work.

7 ¶ But it came to pass, *that* when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem [§] were made up, *and* that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth,

8 And [g] conspired all of them together to come *and* to fight against Jerusalem, and [‖] to hinder it.

9 Nevertheless [i] we made our prayer unto our God, and [m] set a watch against them day and night, because of them.

10 And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and *there is* much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall.

11 And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst among them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease.

12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times, [o] From all places whence ye shall return unto us *they will be upon you.*

13 ¶ Therefore set I [‡] in the lower places behind the wall, *and* on the higher places, I even set the people after their families with [r] their swords, their spears, and their bows.

14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, [s] Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, *which is* [t] great and terrible, and [r] fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.

15 And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, [u] and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work.

16 And it came to pass from that time forth, *that* the half of my servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers *were* behind all the house of Judah.

17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, *every one* [x] with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other *hand* held a weapon.

18 For the builders, every one had his sword girded [§] by his side, and *so* builded. And he that sounded the trumpet *was* by me.

19 ¶ And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, The work *is* great and large, and we

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[a] Zec. 12. 8. 1 Co. 1. 27.
[b] *leave to themselves.*
[c] Ex. 14. 14, 25. De. 1. 30. 3. 22. 20. 4. Jos. 23. 10.
[d] Ps. 123. 3, 4.
† *despite.*
[e] Ps. 79. 12. Pr. 3. 34.
[f] Ps. 69. 27, 28. 109. 14, 15. Je. 18. 23. 2 Ti. 4. 14.
[g] 1 Co. 15. 10.
‡ or, *every one went with his weapon for water.* Ju. 5. 11.
[i] Ps. 110. 3. 2 Co. 8. 16, 17. Phi. 2. 13. He. 13. 21.
[k] Is. 5. 7.
[l] Le. 25. 35.. 37. De. 15. 7.
§ *ascended.*
[m] Ps. 83. 3..5.
‖ *to make an error to it.*
[n] Ps. 50. 15. Lu. 6. 11, 12.
[o] 1 Th. 5. 16. 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[p] Is. 58. 7.
[q] Ex. 21. 7. Le. 25. 39.
[r] or, *That from all places ye must return to us.*
[s] Ex. 11. 8. Nu. 16. 15. Mar. 3. 5. Ep. 4. 26.
† *my heart consulted in me.*
‡ *from the lower parts of the place, &c.*
[t] Ex. 22 25. Exo. 22. 12.
[u] Ca. 3. 7, 8. Ep. 6. 11.. 18
[x] Le. 25. 48.
[a] Nu. 14. 9. De. 1. 29. Mat. 10. 28. He. 13. 6.
[b] De. 10. 17.
[c] 2 Sa. 10. 12.
[y] 2 Sa. 12. 14. Ho. 2. 24. 1 Pe. 2. 12.
[z] Job 5. 12.
[a] 1 Co. 16. 9, 13. 2 Ti. 2. 3.
[b] Ezr. 10. 5. Je. 34. 8, 9.
[c] Mat. 10. 14. Ac. 13. 51. 18. 6.
§ *on his loins.*
‖ *empty,* or, *void.*
[d] 2 Ki. 23. 3.

are separated upon the wall, one far from another.

20 In what place *therefore* ye hear the sound of the trumpet, resort ye thither unto us: [b] our God shall fight for us.

21 So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning till the stars appeared.

22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let every one with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to us, and labour on the day.

23 So [f] neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of the guard which followed me, none of us put off our clothes, ‡ *saving that* every one put them off for washing.

CHAP. V.

AND there was a great [k] cry of the people and of their wives against their [l] brethren the Jews.

2 For there were that said, We, our sons, and our daughters, *are* many: therefore we take up corn *for them*, that we may eat, and live.

3 *Some* also there were that said, We have mortgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses, that we might buy corn, because of the dearth.

4 There were also that said, We have borrowed money for the king's tribute, *and that upon* our lands and vineyards.

5 Yet now [m] our flesh *is* as the flesh of our brethren, our children as their children: and, lo, we [n] bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and *some* of our daughters are brought unto bondage *already:* neither *is it* in our power *to redeem them;* for other men have our lands and vineyards.

6 ¶ And I was [p] very angry when I heard their cry and these words.

7 Then † I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the rulers, and said unto them, [r] Ye exact usury, every one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.

8 And I said unto them, We after our ability have [s] redeemed our brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held they their peace, and found nothing *to answer.*

9 Also I said, It *is* not good that ye do: ought ye not to walk in the fear of our God [y] because of the reproach of the heathen our enemies?

10 I likewise, *and* my brethren, and my servants, might exact of them money and corn: I pray you, let us leave off this usury.

11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses, also the hundredth *part* of the money, and of the corn, the wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them.

12 Then said they, We will restore *them*, and will require nothing of them; so will we do as thou sayest. Then I called the priests, [b] and took an oath of them, that they should do according to this promise.

13 Also [c] I shook my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and from his labour, that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and [‖] emptied. And all the congregation said, Amen, and praised the LORD. [d] And the people did according to this promise.

14 ¶ Moreover from the time that I was

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appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king, *that is*, twelve years, I and my brethren have not [b] eaten the bread of the governor.

15 But the former governors that *had been* before me were chargeable unto the people, and had taken of them bread and wine, beside forty shekels of silver; yea, even their servants bare rule over the people: but [d] so did not I, because of the [g] fear of God.

16 Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought we any land: and all my servants *were* gathered thither unto the work.

17 Moreover *there were* [i] at my table an hundred and fifty of the Jews and rulers, beside those that came unto us from among the heathen that *are* about us.

18 Now *that* [l] which was prepared *for me* daily *was* one ox *and* six choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this required not I the bread of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people.

19 Think [m] upon me, my God, for good, *according* to all that I have done for this people.

CHAP. VI.

NOW it came to pass, [o] when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and [†] Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the wall, and *that* there was no breach left therein; ([p] though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)

2 That Sanballat and Geshem [q] sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in *some one of* the villages in the plain of [t] Ono. But they [u] thought to do me mischief.

3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, [y] I *am* doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?

4 Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; [a] and I answered them after the same manner.

5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand;

6 Wherein *was* written, [d] It is reported among the heathen, and [§] Gashmu saith *it*, [e] *that* thou and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that [f] thou mayest be their king, according to these words.

7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, *There is* a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come [h] now therefore, and let us take counsel together.

8 Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou [i] feignest them out of thine own heart.

9 For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, *O God*, [k] strengthen my hands.

10 Afterward I came unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel, who *was* shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee.

11 And I said, [a] Should such a man as I flee? and who *is there*, that, *being* as I *am*, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in.

12 And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that [o] he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him.

13 Therefore *was* he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and *that* [f] they might have *matter* for an evil report, that they might reproach me.

14 My God, [g] think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on the [h] prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear.

15 [¶] So [k] the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth *day* of *the month* Elul, in fifty and two days.

16 And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard *thereof*, and all the heathen that *were* about us saw *these things*, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for [m] they perceived that this work was wrought of our God.

17 [¶] Moreover in those days the nobles of Judah [o] sent many letters unto Tobiah, and *the letters* of Tobiah came unto them.

18 For *there were* many in Judah sworn unto him, because he *was* the son in law of Shechaniah the son of Arah; and his son Johanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah.

19 Also [r] they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my [‡] words to him. *And* Tobiah sent letters to put me in fear.

CHAP. VII.

NOW it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had [a] set up the doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levites were appointed,

2 That I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler [b] of the palace, charge over Jerusalem: for [c] he *was* a faithful man, and [δ] feared God above many.

3 And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot; and while they stand by, let them shut the doors, and bar *them*: and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one *to be* over against his house.

4 Now the city *was* [‖] large and great: but the people *were* few therein, and the houses *were* not builded.

5 [¶] And [ε] my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,

6 These [ζ] *are* the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity, of those that had been carried away, [η] whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one unto his city;

7 Who came with [θ] Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, [ι] Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number, *I say*, of the men of the people of Israel *was this*:

8 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

9 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

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[a] Ps. 11. 1, 2. 112. 6, 7. Pr. 28. 1. Ac. 20. 24. He. 11. 27.
[b] 1 Co. 9. 4, 15.
[c] Esr. 13. 22.
[d] 2 Co. 11. 9. 12. 13.
[e] ver. 9.
[f] De. 6. 4, 5. Mat. 22. 15.
[g] ch. 13. 29. 1 Ti. 4. 14, 15.
[h] Esr. 13. 17.
[i] 2 Sa. 9. 7. 1 Ki. 18. 19.
[k] Ps. 1. 3.
[l] 1 Ki. 4. 22.
[m] Ps. 106. 2. Ac. 5. 38, 39.
[n] ch. 13. 22.
[o] *multiplied their letters passing to Tobiah.*
[p] ch. 2. 10, 19.
[†] or, *Gashmu* ver. 6.
[q] ch. 3. 1, 2.
[r] Pr. 29. 4. Jno. 7. 7. 1 Jno. 4. 5.
[‡] or, *matters.*
[s] Pr. 25. 24, 25. Ec. 4. 4.
[t] 1 Ch. 8. 12.
[u] Ps. 12. 2. 37. 12, 32. Lu. 20. 19, 21.
[x] ch. 6. 1.
[y] Ec. 9. 10. Lu. 14. 30. Jno. 9. 4. 1 Ti. 4. 15.
[z] ch. 2. 6.
[a] Mat. 25. 21. 1 Co. 4. 2. He. 3. 5.
[b] Ex. 18. 21. Job 1. 1. Pr. 3. 27.
[c] Pr. 14. 15.
[d] Mat. 5. 11. Ro. 3. 8. 2 Co. 6. 8. 1 Pe. 2. 12. 3. 16.
[§] or, *Geshem.*
[e] ch. 2. 19.
[‖] *broad in spaces.*
[f] Lu. 23. 2.
[g] 1 Co. 15. 10. 2 Co. 8. 16. Ja. 1. 17.
[h] Pr. 24. 24...26 Ac. 23. 15.
[i] Esr. 2. 1, &c.
[k] 2 Ki. 24. 14.. 16. 2 Ch. xxxvi. Je. xxxix. 111.
[l] Is. 59. 4. Mat. 12. 34. Jno. 8. 44.
[m] Hag. 1. 1. Mat. 1. 12, 13 *Zerubbabel.*
[n] or, *Seraiah,* Esr. 2. 2.
[o] 2 Co. 12. 9. Ep. 3. 16. 6. 10. Phi. 4. 13. 1 Pe. 5. 10.

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10 The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.
11 The children of Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand and eight hundred *and* eighteen.
12 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
13 The children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.
14 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.
15 The children of ‡ Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.
16 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.
17 The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.
18 The children of Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.
19 The children of Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven.
20 The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five.
21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.
22 The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.
23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four.
24 The children of † Hariph, an hundred and twelve.
25 The children of § Gibeon, ninety and five.
26 The men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and eight.
27 The men of [b] Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.
28 The men of * Beth-azmaveth, forty and two.
29 The men of ‡ Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three.
30 The men of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.
31 The men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two.
32 The men of Beth-el and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.
33 The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two.
34 The children of the other [e] Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.
36 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.
37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and one.
38 The children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.
39 ¶ The priests: the children of [d] Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.
40 The children of [h] Immer, a thousand fifty and two.
41 The children of [i] Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and *seven*.
42 The children of [j] Harim, a thousand and seventeen.
43 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, *and* of the children of * Hodevah, seventy and four.
44 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.
45 ¶ The porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.
46 ¶ The [m] Nethinims: the children of

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* or, *Siaha.*
† or, *Shamlai.*
‡ or, *Bani.*
§ or, *Nephusim.*
|| or, *Bazluth.*
* or, *Perida.*
† or, *Jora.*
‡ or, *Ami.*
§ or, *Gibbar.*
* Ezr. 2. 30.
[b] Is. 10. 30. Je. 1. 1.
|| or, *Addan.*
* or, *Azmaveth.*
† or, *pedigree*
‡ or, *Kirjath-arim.*
* 2 Sa. 17. 27. 19.31..39. 1 Ki. 2. 7.
[d] Mat. 22. 11 ..13.
[e] ver. 12.
§ or, *the governor*, ch. 8. 9.
[f] Ex. 28. 30. Nu. 27. 21. De. 33. 8. Ezr. 2. 63.
[g] 1 Ch. 24. 7.
[h] 1 Ch. 24. 14.
[i] 1 Ch. 9. 12. 24. 9.
[j] 1 Ch. 24. 8.
|| *part.*
[k] Nu.7.2..88. 1Ch.29.3..7
[l] Job 34. 19. Lu.21.1..4. 2 Co. 8. 12.
* or, *Hodaviah*, Ezr. 2. 40. or, *Judah*, Ezr. 3. 9.
[m] Ezr. 2. 69.
[n] Jos.9.23..27. 1 Ch. 9. 2.

Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabbaoth,
47 The children of Keros, the children of * Sia, the children of Padon,
48 The children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of † Shalmai,
49 The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar,
50 The children of Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda,
51 The children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah,
52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of § Nephishesim,
53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,
54 The children of ‖ Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,
55 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Tamah,
56 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.
57 ¶ The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of * Perida,
58 The children of Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,
59 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of ‡ Amon.
60 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.
61 And [o] these *were* they which went up *also* from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, ‖ Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, nor their † seed, whether they *were* of Israel.
62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.
63 ¶ And of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of * Barzillai, which took *one* of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.
64 These [d] sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.
65 And § the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till [f] there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim.
66 ¶ The whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore,
67 Beside their manservants and their maidservants, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and singing women.
68 Their horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their mules, two hundred forty and five:
69 *Their* camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty asses.
70 ¶ And ‖ some of [k] the chief of the fathers gave unto the work. [l] The Tirshatha gave to the treasure a thousand drams of gold, fifty basons, five hundred and thirty priests' garments.
71 And *some* of the chief of the fathers gave to the treasure of the work [m] twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand and two hundred pound of silver.
72 And *that* which the rest of the people gave *was* twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand pound of silver, and

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threscore and seven priests' garments.

73 So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the singers, and *some* of the people, and the Nethinims, and all Israel, dwelt in their cities; [c] and when the seventh month came, the children of Israel *were* in their cities.

CHAP. VIII.

AND all [d] the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that *was* [e] before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the [f] scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.

2 And Ezra the priest brought [g] the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all [*] that could hear with understanding, [m] upon the first day of the seventh month.

3 And he read therein before the street that *was* before the water gate from [†] the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people *were attentive* unto the book of the law.

4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a [‡]pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hash-badana, Zechariah, *and* Meshullam.

5 And Ezra opened the book in the [§]sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people [‖] stood up:

6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people [n] answered, Amen, Amen, with [¶] lifting up their hands: and they [o] bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with *their* faces to the ground.

7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, [p] caused the people to understand the law: and the people *stood* in their place.

8 So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused *them* to understand the reading.

9 ¶ And [q] Nehemiah, which *is* [‡] the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, [r] and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, *This* day *is* holy unto the LORD your God; [s] mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.

10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, [t] and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

11 So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day *is* holy; neither be ye grieved.

12 And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to [*] send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had [†] understood the words that were declared unto them.

13 ¶ And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the fathers of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the scribe, even [§] to understand the words of the law.

14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded [‖] by

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[a] Le. 23. 34, 42.
[b] Le. 23. 4.
[c] Ezr. 2. 70.
[d] De. 16. 16.
[e] Ezr. 10. 9.
[f] Ezr. 7. 6.
[g] ch. 9. 3.
[h] Ezr. 7. 6. Je. 8. 8, 9. Mat. 13. 52.
[i] De. 22. 8.
[k] De. 31. 11, 12
[l] ch. 12. 37.
[m] 2 Ki. 14. 13.
[*] *that understood in hearing.*
[n] Le. 25. 24.
[†] *the light.*
[o] 2 Ch. 30. 21.
[p] De. 31. 10, &c.
[‡] *tower.*
[§] *restraint.*
[‖] *eyes.*
[¶] Ezr. 10. 11.
[*] *strange children.* Ps. 144. 7, 11. Is. 2. 6. Ho. 5. 7.
[†] Ju. 3. 20.
[m] 1 Co. 14. 16.
[n] ch. 8. 7, 8.
[o] Le. 3. 41. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[p] Ex. 4. 31. 12. 27. 2 Ch. 20. 18.
[†] or, *scaffold.*
[b] Le. 10. 11. De. 33. 10. 2 Ch. 17. 7...9 Mal. 2. 7.
[c] Ps. 102. 1, 2. cxvii. Je. 33. 11. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[d] ch. 7. 65. 10. 1. Ezr. 2. 63.
[‡] or, *the governor.*
[e] 2 Ch. 35. 3.
[f] Le. 23. 24. Nu. 29. 1.
[g] Ps. 95. 10. Is. 37. 16. 20.
[h] De. 16. 14, 15 Ec. 3. 4.
[i] Ge. 1. 1. Ex. 20. 11. Re. 14. 7.
[k] Ps. 36. 6.
[l] Ex. 9. 19, 22. Re. 11. 19.
[m] Ge. 11. 31. 12. 1.
[n] Ge. 17. 5.
[o] ver. 10.
[p] ver. 7, 8.
[r] Jos. 23. 14.
[s] Ex. 2. 25. 3. 7.
[t] Ex. 14. 10.
[§] or, *that they might instruct in the law.*
[‖] Ex. vii. xiv. *by the hand of.*

Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in [a] booths in the feast of the seventh month:

15 And [b] that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and [d] in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth unto the mount, and [e] fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as *it is* written.

16 ¶ So the people went forth, and brought *them*, and made themselves booths, every one upon the [i] roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the [l] water gate, [m] and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.

17 And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made booths, and sat under the booths: for since the days of Jeshua the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel done so. And there was very [o] great gladness.

18 Also [p] day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day *was* a [§] solemn assembly, [r] according unto the manner.

CHAP. IX.

NOW in the twenty and fourth day of [s] this month the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackcloth, [t] and earth upon them.

2 And [u] the seed of Israel separated themselves from all [*] strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers.

3 And they stood up in their place, and [y] read in the book of the law of the LORD their God *one* fourth part of the day; and *another* fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

4 ¶ Then stood up upon the [†] stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, *and* Chenani, and cried with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.

5 Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, *and* Pethahiah, said, Stand up *and* [a] bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

6 Thou, [b] *even* thou, *art* LORD alone; [c] thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all *things* that *are* therein, the seas, and all that *is* therein, and thou [d] preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.

7 Thou *art* the LORD the God, who didst choose [e] Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of [f] Abraham;

8 And foundest his heart faithful before thee, and madest a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give *it*, *I say*, to his seed, and [g] hast performed thy words; for thou *art* righteous:

9 And [h] didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and [i] heardest their cry by the Red sea;

10 And [k] shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against

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them. So didst thou [a] get thee a name, as *it is* this day.

11 And [d] thou didst divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the mighty waters.

12 Moreover thou leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way wherein they should go.

13 Thou [e] camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them from heaven, and gavest them right judgments, and † true laws, good statutes and commandments:

14 And madest known unto them thy holy sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses thy servant:

15 And [g] gavest them bread from heaven for their hunger, and [h] broughtest forth water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and promisedst them that they should [i] go in to possess the land which thou hadst ‡ sworn to give them.

16 But [l] they and our fathers dealt proudly, and [m] hardened their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments,

17 And refused to obey, [n] neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou *art* a God † ready to pardon, [r] gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.

18 Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This *is* thy God that brought thee up out of Egypt, and had wrought great provocations;

19 Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the [u] pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to shew them light, and the way wherein they should go.

20 Thou gavest also thy [y] good spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.

21 Yea, forty years didst thou sustain them in the wilderness, *so that* they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not.

22 Moreover thou gavest them kingdoms and nations, and didst divide them into corners: so they possessed the land of Sihon, and the land of the king of Heshbon, and the land of Og king of Bashan.

23 Their [c] children also multipliedst thou as the stars of heaven, and broughtest them into the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to their fathers, that they should go in to possess *it*.

24 So the children went in and possessed the land, and [e] thou subduedst before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gavest them into their hands, with their kings, and the people of the land, that they might do with them [e] as they would.

25 And they took strong cities, and a [f] fat land, and possessed houses full of all goods, ‖ wells digged, vineyards, and olive-yards, and ‖ fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in thy great [h] goodness.

26 Nevertheless they [i] were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and [b] cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy [c] prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations.

27 Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven; and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies.

28 But after they had rest, [e] they did evil again before thee: therefore leftest thou them in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: yet when they returned, and cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven; and many times didst thou deliver them according to thy mercies;

29 And testifiedst against them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet they dealt proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against thy judgments, (‡ which if a man do, he shall live in them:) and § withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their neck, and would not hear.

30 Yet many years didst thou ‖ forbear them, and testifiedst against them by thy spirit [e] in [c] thy prophets: yet would they not give ear: [r] therefore gavest thou them into the hand of the people of the lands.

31 Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake [r] thou didst not utterly consume them, nor forsake them; for thou *art* a gracious and merciful God.

32 Now therefore, our God, the great, the [t] mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the ‡ trouble seem little before thee, that hath § come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people, [e] since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day.

33 Howbeit [x] thou *art* just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but [z] we have done wickedly:

34 Neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law, nor hearkened unto thy commandments and thy testimonies, wherewith thou didst testify against them.

35 For they have [a] not served thee in their kingdom, and in thy great goodness that thou gavest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.

36 Behold, [b] we *are* servants this day, and *for* the land that thou gavest unto our fathers to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof, behold, we *are* servants in it:

37 And it yieldeth much increase unto the kings whom thou hast set over us because of our sins: also they have ‖ dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure, and we *are* in great distress.

38 And because of all this we [f] make a sure *covenant*, and write *it*; and our princes, Levites, *and* priests, ‖ seal *unto it*.

CHAP. X.

NOW † those that sealed *were*, Nehemiah, § the Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah, and Zidkijah,

2 Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,
3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah,
4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,

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[a] Is. 63. 12, 14. Je. 32. 20. Da. 9. 15.
[b] 1 Ki. 14. 9. Ps. 50. 17.
[c] Mat. 23. 37.
[d] Ac. 7. 52.
[d] Ps. 78. 13.
[e] Ex. 19. 20. 20. 1.
[e] *they returned to do evil.*
[f] Ps. 19. 8, 9. Ro. 7. 12.
† *laws of truth.*
[g] Jno. 6. 31.
[h] Nu. 20. 9, &c
[i] De. 1. 8.
[k] Le. 18. 5. Eze. 20. 11. Ro. 10. 5. Ga. 3. 12.
‡ *lift up thine hand.*
[l] Ps. 106. 6.
§ *they gave a withdrawing shoulder.* Zec. 7. 11.
[m] De. 31. 27.
‖ 2 Ch. 30. 8. Je. 19. 15.
‖ *protract over them.*
[n] Ps. 78. 11, 42.
[e] *in the hand of thy prophets.*
[c] Ac. 7. 51. 1 Pe. 1. 11. 2 Pe. 1. 21.
[r] Is. 5. 5. 42. 24.
† *of pardons.*
[r] Joel 2. 13.
[s] Je. 4. 27. 5. 10, 18.
[t] Ex. 34. 6, 7.
‡ *weariness.*
§ *found us.*
[u] 1 Co. 10. 1.
[y] 2 Ki. 17. 3.
[x] Ps. 119. 137. Da. 9. 14.
[y] Is. 63. 11.
[a] Ps. 106. 6.
[a] De. 28. 47.
[b] Ezr. 9. 9.
[c] Ge. 22. 17.
[d] De. 28. 48.
[e] Ps. 44. 2, 3.
[f] 2 Ki. 23. 3. 2 Ch. 29. 10. 34. 31. Ezr. 10. 3.
‖ are *at the sealing*, or, *sealed.*
[e] *according to their will.*
[f] De. 8. 7, 8. Eze. 20. 6.
† *at the sealings.* ch. 9. 38.
‡ or, *visiters.*
§ or, *the governor.*
‖ *tree of food.*
[h] Ho. 2. 5.
[i] Ju. 2. 11, 12.

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6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these
were the priests.
9 And the Levites: both Jeshua the son
of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Hena-
dad, Kadmiel;
10 And their brethren, Shebaniah, Ho-
dijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,
11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,
12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.
14 The chief of the people; [b] Parosh,
Pahath-moab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,
15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin,
17 Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,
18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,
19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
21 Meshezabeel, Zadok, Jaddua,
22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,
24 Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek,
25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.
28 ¶ And [f] the rest of the people, the
priests, the Levites, the porters, the sing-
ers, the Nethinims, and all they [h] that
had separated themselves from the people
of the lands unto the law of God, their
wives, their sons, and their daughters,
every one having knowledge, and having
understanding;
29 They clave to their brethren, their
nobles, [m] and entered into a curse, and
into an oath, [o] to walk in God's law,
which [p] was given [●] by Moses the servant
of God, and to observe and do all the
commandments of the LORD our Lord,
and his judgments and his statutes;
30 And that we would not give [r] our
daughters unto the people of the land, nor
take their daughters for our sons:
31 And [t] *if* the people of the land bring
ware or any victuals on the sabbath day
to sell, *that* we would not buy it of them
on the sabbath, or on the holy day: and
that we would leave the [u] seventh year,
and the [v] exaction of [†] every debt.
32 Also we made ordinances for us, to
charge ourselves yearly with the third part
of a shekel for the service of the house of
our God;
33 For [x] the shewbread, and for the
[y] continual meat offering, and for the
continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths,
of the new moons, for the set feasts, and
for the holy *things*, and for the sin offer-
ings to make an atonement for Israel, and
for all the work of the house of our God.
34 And we cast the lots among the priests,
the Levites, and the people, [a] for the wood
offering, to bring *it* into the house of
our God, after the houses of our fathers,
at times appointed year by year, to burn
upon the altar of the LORD our God, [c] as
it is written in the law:
35 And [d] to bring the firstfruits of our
ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of
all trees, year by year, unto the house of
the LORD:
36 Also the firstborn of our sons, and
of our cattle, as *it is* written [e] in the law,
and the firstlings of our herds and of our
flocks, to bring to the house of our God,
[f] unto the priests that minister in the
house of our God:
37 And [g] *that* we should bring the first-

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[a] 1 Ch. 9. 26. 2 Ch. 31. 11.
[b] ch. 7. 8, &c. Ezr. 2. 3, &c.
[c] De. 12. 6, 11.
[d] ch. 13 10, 11. He. 10. 25.
[e] Mat. 4. 5. 27. 53.
[f] Ezr. 2. 36..43.
[g] Ju. 5. 9.
[h] Ezr. 9. 1. 10. 11, 12, 19. Ro. 1. 1. 2 Co. 6. 14..17.
[i] 1 Ch. 9. 2, 3.
[k] Ezr. 2. 43.
[l] Ezr. 2. 55.
[m] ch. 5. 12, 13. De. 29. 12, 14. Ps. 119. 106.
[n] 1 Ch. 9. 3, &c.
[o] 2 Ki. 23. 3. 2 Ch. 34. 31.
[p] Jno. 1. 17. 7. 19.
[●] by the hand of.
[r] Ex. 34. 16. De. 7. 3. Ezr. 9. 12, 14.
[s] Ge. 38. 29, *Phares.*
[t] ch. 13. 15, &c. Ex. 20. 10. Le. 23. 3. De. 5. 12.
[u] Ex. 23. 10, 11. Le. 25. 4.
[v] De. 15. 1, 2. Mat. 6. 12. 18. 21..35.
[†] *every hand.* Is. 58. 6.
[x] Le. 24. 5, &c. 2 Ch. 2. 4.
[y] Nu. xxviii. xxix.
[z] 1 Ch. 9. 10, &c.
[a] ch. 13. 31. Is. 40. 16.
[b] Ac. 5. 24.
[c] Le. 6. 12.
[d] Ex. 23. 19. 34. 26. Le. 19. 23. Nu. 18. 12. De. 26. 2.
[e] Ex. 13. 2, 12, 13. Le. 27. 26, 27. Nu. 18. 15, 16.
[f] 1 Co. 9. 6..14. Ga. 6. 6.
[‡] or, *the son of Haggedolim.*
[g] Le. 23. 17. Nu. 15. 19. 18. 12, &c. De. 18. 4. 26. 2.

fruits of our dough, and our offerings,
and the fruit of all manner of trees, of
wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the
chambers of the house of our God; and
the tithes of our ground unto the Levites,
that the same Levites might have the
tithes in all the cities of our tillage.
38 And the priest the son of Aaron shall
be with the Levites, when the Levites take
tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the
tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God,
to [a] the chambers, into the treasure house.
39 For the children of Israel and the
children of Levi [c] shall bring the offering
of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil,
unto the chambers, where *are* the vessels
of the sanctuary, and the priests that mi-
nister, and the porters, and the singers:
[d] and we will not forsake the house of
our God.

CHAP. XI.

AND the rulers of the people dwelt at
Jerusalem: the rest of the people also
cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in
Jerusalem [e] the holy city, and nine parts
to dwell in *other* cities.
2 And the people blessed all the men,
that [g] willingly offered themselves to dwell
at Jerusalem.
3 ¶ Now [i] these *are* the chief of the
province that dwelt in Jerusalem: but in
the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his
possession in their cities, *to wit*, Israel,
the priests, and the Levites, and [k] the
Nethinims, and [l] the children of Solomon's
servants.
4 And [n] at Jerusalem dwelt *certain* of
the children of Judah, and of the children
of Benjamin. Of the children of Judah;
Athaiah the son of Uzziah, the son of
Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son
of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel, of
the children of [s] Perez;
5 And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the
son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the
son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son
of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.
6 All the sons of Perez that dwelt at
Jerusalem *were* four hundred threescore
and eight valiant men.
7 And these *are* the sons of Benjamin;
Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of
Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Ko-
laiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of
Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.
8 And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine
hundred twenty and eight.
9 And Joel the son of Zichri *was* their
overseer: and Judah the son of Senuah
was second over the city.
10 Of [z] the priests: Jedaiah the son of
Joiarib, Jachin.
11 Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son
of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son
of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, *was* [b] the
ruler of the house of God.
12 And their brethren that did the work
of the house *were* eight hundred twenty
and two: and Adaiah the son of Jeroham,
the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the
son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur, the
son of Malchiah,
13 And his brethren, chief of the fathers,
two hundred forty and two: and Amashai
the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the
son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer,
14 And their brethren, mighty men of
valour, an hundred twenty and eight:
and their overseer *was* Zabdiel, [‡] the son
of *one of* the great men.

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15 Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni;
16 And Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the chief of the Levites, [o] *had* the oversight of [p]the outward business of the house of God.
17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, *was* the principal to begin the [q] thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.
18 All the Levites in [r] the holy city *were* two hundred fourscore and four.
19 Moreover the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that [s] kept [t] the gates, *were* an hundred seventy and two.
20 ¶ And the residue of Israel, of the priests, *and* the Levites, *were* in all the cities of Judah, every one in his inheritance.
21 But [u] the Nethinims dwelt in [‡]Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa *were* over the Nethinims.
22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem *was* Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha. Of the sons of Asaph, the singers *were* over the business of the house of God.
23 For [x] *it was* the king's commandment concerning them, that [§] a certain portion should be for the singers, due for every day.
24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabeel, of the children of [y] Zerah the son of Judah, *was* [z] at the king's hand in all matters concerning the people.
25 And for the villages, with their fields, *some* of the children of Judah dwelt at [a] Kirjath-arba, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Dibon, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and *in* the villages thereof,
26 And at Jeshua, and at Moladah, and at Beth-phelet,
27 And at Hazar-shual, and at Beer-sheba, and *in* the villages thereof,
28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof,
29 And at En-rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth,
30 Zanoah, Adullam, and *in* their villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at Azekah, and *in* the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom.
31 The children also of Benjamin [b]from Geba *dwelt* [c] at Michmash, and Aija, and [d] Beth-el, and *in* their villages,
32 *And* at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,
33 Hazor, [e] Ramah, Gittaim,
34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,
35 Lod, and Ono, [f]the valley of craftsmen.
36 And of the Levites *were* divisions *in* Judah, *and* in Benjamin.

CHAP. XII.

NOW these *are* the [g] priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua: [h] Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,
2 Amariah, [i] Malluch, Hattush,
3 [§] Shechaniah, [k] Rehum, [l] Meremoth,
4 Iddo, [m] Ginnetho, [n] Abijah,
5 [i] Miamin, [§] Maadiah, Bilgah,
6 Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah,
7 [k] Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah. These *were* the chief of the priests and of their brethren in the days of [o] Jeshua.
8 Moreover the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, *and* Mattaniah, [p] *which was* over [q]the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.

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[o] were *over*.
[a] 1 Ch. 26. 29. Ac. 6. 2, 3. Phi. 4. 6.
[b] 1 Th. 5. 18.
[c] Da. 9. 24. Mat. 27. 53. Re. 11. 2. 21. 2.
[d] Ps. 84. 10.
[†] *at the gates*
[e] ch. 3. 26.
[‡] or, *the tower*.
[f] Ezr. 6. 8, 9. 7. 20, &c.
[§] or, *a sure ordinance*.
[g] Ge. 38. 30, *Zarah*.
[h] 1 Ch. 9. 14, &c.
[i] 1 Ch. 18. 17. 23. 28.
[k] Jos. 14. 15.
[l] 1 Ch. xxiii. xxv. xxvi.
[m] Ezr. 3. 11.
[‖] or, *treasuries, or, assemblies*.
[n] ch. 8. 9.
[o] Ezr. 7. 6, 11.
[p] De. 20. 5. Ps. 30, title. 1 Ch. 25. 6. 2 Ch. 5. 13. 7. 6. Ps. 81. 1...4. 150. 1...6. Re. 5. 8.
[q] or, *of Geba*.
[†] or, *to Michmash*. 1 Sa. 13. 11, 23. Is. 10. 28.
[r] Ge. 28. 19.
[s] Mat. 2. 18, *Rama*.
[t] 1 Ch. 4. 14.
[u] Job 1. 5. He. 5. 1...3.
[x] Ezr. 2. 1, 2.
[y] ch. 10. 2...8.
[z] or, *Meliah*, ver. 14.
[§] or, *Shebaniah*, ver. 14.
[‖] or, *Harim*, ver. 15.
[a] or, *Meraioth*, ver. 15.
[b] ch. 2. 13. 3. 13.
[†] or, *Ginnethon*, ver. 16.
[c] Lu. 1. 5.
[‡] or, *Miniamin*, ver. 17.
[§] or, *Moadiah*, ver. 17.
[‖] or, *Sallai*, ver. 20.
[d] Ezr. 3. 2. Hag. 1. 1. Zec. 3. 1.
[e] Nu. 10. 5, 6.
[f] ch. 11. 17.
[g] i. e. *the psalms of thanksgiving*.

9 Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren, *were* over against them in the watches.
10 ¶ And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also begat Eliashib, and Eliashib begat Joiada,
11 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jonathan begat Jaddua.
12 And in the days of Joiakim were priests, the chief of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah; of Jeremiah, Hananiah;
13 Of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan;
14 Of Melicu, Jonathan; of Shebaniah, Joseph;
15 Of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, Helkai;
16 Of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam;
17 Of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai;
18 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Jehonathan;
19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi;
20 Of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber;
21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah; of Jedniah, Nethaneel.
22 ¶ The Levites in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, *were* recorded chief of the fathers: also the priests, to the reign of Darius the Persian.
23 The sons of Levi, the chief of the fathers, *were* written in the book of the [h] chronicles, even until the days of Johanan the son of Eliashib.
24 And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise *and* to give thanks, [i]according to the commandment of David the man of God, [k] ward over against ward.
25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, *were* porters keeping the ward at the [l] thresholds of the gate.
26 These *were* in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua, the son of Jozadak, and in the days of Nehemiah [m] the governor, and of Ezra the priest, [n] the scribe.
27 ¶ And at [p] the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought the Levites out of all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep the dedication with gladness, both with [r] thanksgivings, and with singing, *with* cymbals, psalteries, and with harps.
28 And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together, both out of the plain country round about Jerusalem, and from the villages of Netophathi;
29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem.
30 And the priests and the Levites [o] purified themselves, and purified the people, and the gates, and the wall.
31 Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and appointed two great *companies of them that gave* thanks, *whereof one* went on the right hand upon the wall [s] toward the dung gate:
32 And after them went Hoshaiah, and half of the princes of Judah,
33 And Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam,
34 Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and Jeremiah,
35 And *certain* of the priests' sons [t] with trumpets; *namely*, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:

[h] 1 Ch. 9. 14, &c.
[i] 1 Ch. 18. 17. 23. 28.
[k] Jos. 14. 15.
[l] 1 Ch. xxiii. xxv. xxvi.
[m] Ezr. 3. 11.
[‖] or, *treasuries, or, assemblies*.
[n] ch. 8. 9.
[o] Ezr. 7. 6, 11.
[p] De. 20. 5. Ps. 30, title. 1 Ch. 25. 6. 2 Ch. 5. 13. 7. 6. Ps. 81. 1...4. 150. 1...6. Re. 5. 8.
[q] or, *of Geba*.
[†] or, *to Michmash*. 1 Sa. 13. 11, 23. Is. 10. 28.
[r] Ge. 28. 19.
[s] Mat. 2. 18, *Rama*.
[t] 1 Ch. 4. 14.
[u] Job 1. 5. He. 5. 1...3.
[x] Ezr. 2. 1, 2.
[y] ch. 10. 2...8.
[z] or, *Meliah*, ver. 14.
[§] or, *Shebaniah*, ver. 14.
[‖] or, *Harim*, ver. 15.
[a] or, *Meraioth*, ver. 15.
[b] ch. 2. 13. 3. 13.
[†] or, *Ginnethon*, ver. 16.
[c] Lu. 1. 5.
[‡] or, *Miniamin*, ver. 17.
[§] or, *Moadiah*, ver. 17.
[‖] or, *Sallai*, ver. 20.
[d] Ezr. 3. 2. Hag. 1. 1. Zec. 3. 1.
[e] Nu. 10. 5, 6.
[f] ch. 11. 17.
[g] i. e. *the psalms of thanksgiving*.

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36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani, with [a] the musical instruments of David the man of God, and Ezra the scribe before them.

37 And [c] at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went up by the stairs of the city of David, at the going up of the wall, above the house of David, even unto [e] the water gate eastward.

38 And *f* the other *company of them that gave* thanks went over against *them*, and I after them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from beyond [g] the tower of the furnaces even unto the broad wall;

39 And [h] from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the fish gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, even unto the sheep gate: and they stood still in the prison gate.

40 So stood the two *companies of them that* [k] *gave* thanks in the house of God, and I, and the half of the rulers with me:

41 And the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, *and* Hananiah, with trumpets;

42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers [§] sang loud, with Jezrahiah *their* overseer.

43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

44 ¶ And [r] at that time were some appointed over the chambers for the treasures, for the offerings, for the firstfruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them out of the fields of the cities the portions [§] of the law for the priests and Levites: [s] for Judah rejoiced for [u] the priests and for the Levites that [†] waited.

45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, [x] according to the commandment of David, *and* of Solomon his son.

46 For in the days of David [z] and Asaph of old *there were* chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.

47 And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah, gave the portions of the singers and the porters, every day his portion: [a] and they [§] sanctified *holy things* unto the Levites; and [b] the Levites sanctified *them* unto the children of Aaron.

CHAP. XIII.

ON that day [¶] they read [c] in the book of Moses in the [*] audience of the people; and therein was found written, [d] that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the congregation of God for ever;

2 Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired [f] Balaam against them, that he should curse them: [§] howbeit our God turned the curse into a blessing.

3 Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, [i] that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.

4 ¶ And before this, Eliashib the priest, [†] having the oversight of the chamber of the house of our God, *was* allied unto Tobiah:

5 And he had prepared for him a great chamber, [k] where aforetime they laid the meat offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the corn, the new wine, and the oil, [*] which [l] was commanded *to be given* to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the offerings of the priests.

6 But in all this *time* was not I at Jerusalem: [d] for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon came I unto the king, and [‡] after certain days [‡] obtained I leave of the king:

7 And I came to Jerusalem, and understood of the evil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.

8 And it grieved me sore: therefore I cast forth all the household stuff of Tobiah out of the chamber.

9 Then I commanded, and they [†] cleansed the chambers: and thither brought I again the vessels of the house of God, with the meat offering and the frankincense.

10 ¶ And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had [f] not been given *them*: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to [m] his field.

11 Then [n] contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their [‖] place.

12 Then [o] brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the [•] treasuries.

13 And [p] I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and [†] next to them *was* Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah: for they were counted [s] faithful, and [‡] their office *was* to distribute unto their brethren.

14 Remember [t] me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my [‖] good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for the [‡] offices thereof.

15 ¶ In those days saw I in Judah *some* treading wine presses [u] on the sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all *manner of* burdens, [x] which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified *against them* in the day wherein they sold victuals.

16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.

17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing *is* this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day?

18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the sabbath.

19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem [y] began to be dark before the sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: [z] and *some* of my servants set I at the gates, *that* there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath day.

20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge ye I about the wall? if ye do *so* again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no *more* on the sabbath.

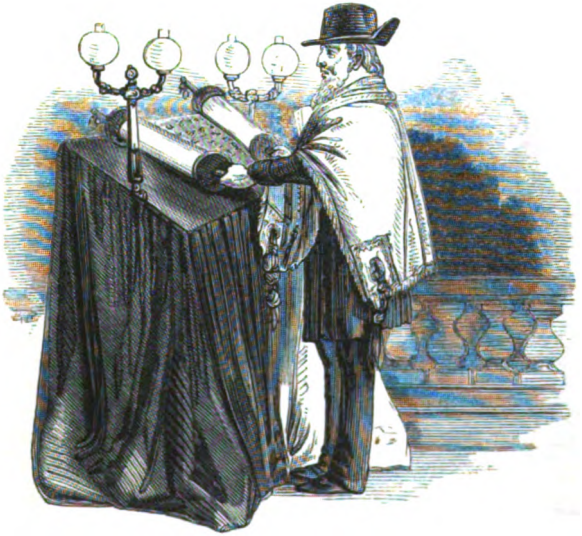
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[a] 1 Ch. 23. 5.
[*] *the commandment of the Levites.*
[b] Nu. 18. 21, 24
[c] ch. 2. 14.
[d] ch. 5. 14.
[e] ch. 3. 26. 8. 1, 3, 16.
[†] *at the end of days.*
[f] ver. 31.
[‡] or, *I earnestly requested.*
[g] ch. 3. 11.
[h] ch. 8. 16. 2 Ki. 14. 13.
[i] 2 Ch. 29. 5, 15..18.
[k] Ps. 42. 4. 47. 6. 9.
[l] Mal. 3. 8.
[m] Nu. 35. 2.
[n] Pr. 28. 4.
[§] *made* their voice *to be heard.*
[‖] *standing.*
[•] ch. 10. 38, 39.
[•] or, *storehouses.*
[p] 2 Ch. 31. 12.
[r] 2 Ch. 13. 11, 12.
[†] *at their hand.*
[s] Ac. 6. 3. 1 Co. 4. 2. 1 Ti. 1. 12.
[‡] It was *upon them.*
[t] He. 6. 10.
[§] i. e. *appointed by the law.*
[‖] *kindnesses.*
[•] *for the joy of Judah.*
[u] Pr. 8. 34.
[†] *stood.*
[‡] or, *observations.*
[x] Ex. 20. 10.
[z] 1 Ch. xxv. xxvi.
[y] Je. 17. 21, 22.
[z] 2 Ch. 29. 30.
[a] Nu. 18. 21, 24
[§] i. e. *set apart.*
[b] Nu. 18. 26.
[‖] *there was read.*
[c] De. 31. 11, 12 2 Ki. 23 2. Is. 34. 16. Lu. 4. 16..19
[*] *ears.*
[d] De. 23 3, 4.
[e] Je. 23. 32.
[f] Nu. 22. 5. Jos 24. 9, 10.
[g] Nu. 23. 11. 24. 10
[h] Je. 17. 21, 22.
[i] ch. 10. 28.
[†] *being set over.*
[‡] *before the wall?*
[k] ch. 12. 44.

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ANCIENT PERSIAN CUPBEARER.—*Sir R. K. Porter.*—Neh. i. 11.



READING THE LAW—MODERN JEWISH.—*Original Sketch.*—Neh. viii. and xiii.

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B. C. 434.

22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves, and *that* they should come *and* keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, *concerning* this also, and spare me according to the [a] greatness of thy mercy.

23 ¶ In those days also saw I Jews *that* [†] had [c] married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, *and* of Moab:

24 And their children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, and [‡] could not speak in the Jews' language, but according to the language [§] of each people.

25 And I [d] contended with them, and [e] cursed them, and smote certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them [f] swear by God, *saying*, Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves.

26 Did [g] not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there no king like him, [e] who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.

27 Shall we then hearken unto you to do all this great evil, to [h] transgress against our God in marrying strange wives?

28 And *one* of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, *was* son in law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.

29 Remember them, O my God, [§] because they have defiled the priesthood, and [e] the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.

30 Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards of the priests and the Levites, every one in his business;

31 And for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits. [i] Remember me, O my God, for good.

[a] 2 Sa. 12. 24.
[b] or, *multitude.*
[c] Ezr. 10. 2.
[†] *had made to dwell* with them.
[d] Ezr. 9. 2.
[‡] *they discerned not to speak.*
[§] *for the dislings.*
[‖] *of people and people.*
[d] Pr. 28. 4.
[e] Mal. 2. 4, 11, 12.
[e] or, *versified.*
[f] ch. 10. 29, 30.
Ezr. 10. 5.
[g] 1 Ki. 11. 1, &c.
[h] Lu. 23. 42.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 11.—CUP-BEARER. In the Persian court the king's cup-bearer is a highly honourable office. He had easy access to the royal person, and was treated with confidence. Xenophon, speaking of the cup-bearer of Astyages, the grandfather of Cyrus, describes him as the most favoured of the king's household officers, and adds, that he was a very handsome man, and that it was a part of his duty to introduce to the king those who had business with him, and to send away those who applied for an interview, but whom the cup-bearer did not consider it proper to introduce. This alone must have made the cup-bearer a person of very high consideration at court. Nehemiah for many years sustained the state and hospitality of a governor from his own purse, in order to avoid the burdening of the people by claiming official support, a circumstance which clearly proves the great emoluments of cup-bearer, for he must evidently have accumulated much wealth from his office.

CH. VIII. 8; XIII. 1.—READING THE LAW. The whole of God's revealed will is called his law. At the early period of the church, the five books of Moses comprehended all that was signified by the law of the Lord. The study of this law was strongly enjoined on the Jews, and was rigidly attended to; while, like David and Ezra, every truly devout Jew not only studied the law as a duty, but also as a delight: see Ps. i. and cxix. There was also expressly allowed in this matter. The command was, "Ye shall lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates." Deu. xi. 18—20. The sacred books gradually accumulated, till the whole information necessary to the church was complete, and the Old Testament was finished with Malachi, the last of the prophets before Christ. The Old Testament in our Bibles consists of thirty-nine books, but among the ancient Jews, they formed only twenty-two, several of the smaller books being tacked to the larger, thus reducing the number of volumes. These sacred books were divided by the Jews into three classes—the Law, consisting of the five books of Moses; the Prophets; and the Hagiographa, or holy writings, which included Psalms, Proverbs, and the other books not embraced in the two other classes. The five books of the law, or Pentateuch, are divided into fifty-four sections. One of these sections, said to were probably made by Ezra, being read in the synagogue every sabbath day, the whole is read through in the course of the year, making arrangements to meet the intercalated years. Antiochus forbad the Jews to read the law on pain of death, in consequence of which prohibition they substituted fifty-four portions from the prophets; so that, though the law was dismissed from their synagogues, and was closed to them by the edict of the persecuting king, yet the prophetic writings, not being under the interdict, were left open. Subsequently, when the free exercise of their religion, with the reading of the law, was restored by the Maccabees, they continued the use of the prophetic sections conjointly with those of the law, reading the latter for the first, and the former for the second lesson. To these divisions, and to this mode of reading the law and the prophets, there are several references in the New Testament: see Luke iv. 16; Acts xiii. 15; xv. 21. And it was from this custom of the Jews that the primitive Christians adopted theirs of reading a lesson every sabbath out of the Old and New Testaments; hence Christian congregations in our own country read portions of the Scriptures in all their sacred services. The reading of the Scriptures constituted a very important part of the synagogue service. They were at the same time expounded, so that the people might clearly understand them. We are informed (Luke iv. 16, &c.) that, when Jesus came to Nazareth, his own city, he was called upon as a member of the synagogue to read the section or lesson out of the prophets which was to be read that day. And when he had stood up and read it, he sat down and expounded it, as was the usage of the Jews. Out of reverence to the law and the prophets they stood up when they read out of either, but in regard to themselves as teachers, they sat when they expounded. The ministrations of the synagogue service were not confined to the sacerdotal order, but any one sufficiently qualified was admitted; only, for the preservation of order, there were in every synagogue some fixed officers, whose business it was to take care that all religious duties were therein decently performed. The manner of reading was peculiar, and adapted to the form of the book or roll. Where Christ is said to have "*opened* the book" in the synagogue of Nazareth, (Luke iv. 17,) it is properly, 'when he had *unrolled* the book.' The sacred writings used in the synagogues are the same as anciently. They are written on skins of parchment, and rolled on two rollers, beginning on each end; so that, in reading from right to left, they rolled off with the left hand while they rolled on with the right. 'The establishment of public worship in the synagogues, and expounding the Scriptures, after the Babylonish captivity, constituted a new era in the church of God. Before that period idolatry was the prevailing sin of the Israelites; but, except in a few cases of apostacy, in the times of dreadful persecution, the whole people, down to the time of the advent of Christ, were most determinately set against that dreadfully criminal folly. Besides which, it became necessary for each synagogue to possess a copy of the Holy Scriptures: the frequent reading of them made the people familiar with their Divine contents: and considering how widely the Jews were dispersed, even among the Gentiles, and that their sacred books were translated into different languages for popular use, it appeared to be the most admirable means for preparing the way of the Lord, in making known his gospel of salvation to all nations.'

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The Book of ESTHER.

This Book relates some remarkable providences which occurred to the Jews, when Esther was the queen of Ahasuerus, or Artaxerxes Longimanus; in commemoration of which the Jews instituted the feast of Purim.

CHAP. I.

B. C. 521.

NOW it came to pass in the days of [a]Ahasuerus, (this *is* Ahasuerus which reigned, [b]from India even unto Ethiopia, [c]*over* an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)

2 *That* in those days, when the king Ahasuerus [d]sat on the throne of his kingdom, which *was* in [e]Shushan the palace,

3 In the third year of his reign, he [f]made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces, *being* before him:

4 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent majesty many days, *even* an hundred and fourscore days.

5 And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all the people that were [g]present in Shushan the palace, both unto great and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's palace;

6 *Where were* white, green, and [h]blue, *hangings*, fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: [i]the beds *were of* gold and silver, upon a pavement [k]of red, and blue, and white, and black, marble.

7 And they gave *them* drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from another,) and [g]royal wine in abundance, according to the [l]state of the king.

8 And the drinking *was* according to the law; none did compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's pleasure.

9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women *in* the royal house which *belonged* to king Ahasuerus.

10 ¶ On the seventh day, when [m]the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seven [n]chamberlains that served in the presence of Ahasuerus the king,

11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty: for she *was* [g]fair to look on.

12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment [o]by *his* chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

13 ¶ Then the king said to the [p]wise men, [r]which knew the times, (for so *was* the king's manner toward all that knew law and judgment:

14 And the next unto him *was* Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, *and* Memucan, the [s]seven princes of Persia and Media, [t]which saw the king's face, *and* which sat the first in the kingdom;)

15 What [l]shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?

16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the people that *are* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.

17 For *this* deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall [d]despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not.

18 *Likewise* shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus *shall there arise* too much contempt and wrath.

19 If it [o]please the king, let there go a royal commandment from [†]him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that [‡]it be not altered, that Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto [‖]another that is better than she.

20 And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall [A]give to their husbands honour, both to great and small.

21 And the saying [†]pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:

22 For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, [k]into every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language, that every man should [l]bear rule in his own house, and that [o]*it* should be published according to the language of every people.

CHAP. II.

AFTER these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered Vashti, and what she had done, and [m]what was decreed against her.

2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, [o]Let there be fair young virgins sought for the king:

3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women, unto the [l]custody of [‖]Hege the king's chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let their things for purification be given *them*:

4 And let the maiden which pleaseth the king be queen instead of Vashti. And the thing pleased the king; and he did so.

5 ¶ *Now* in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name *was* Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, a Benjamite;

6 Who [a]had been carried away from Jerusalem with the captivity which had been carried away with [†]Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away.

7 And he [§]brought up Hadassah, that *is*, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid *was* [‖]fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father and mother were dead, [o]took for his own daughter.

8 ¶ So it came to pass, when the king's commandment and his decree was heard,

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[a] Ezr. 4. 6. Da. 9. 1.
[b] ch. 8. 9.
[c] Da. 6. 1.
[d] Ep. 5. 33.
[e] 1 Ki. 1. 46.
[f] Ne. 1. 1.
[g] Ge. 40. 20. Mar. 6. 21.
[h] *be good with.*
[i] *before him.*
[k] *it pass not away.* Da. 6. 8, 12.
[l] *found.*
[m] *her companion.*
[n] or, *violet.*
[o] Col. 3. 16.
[p] 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[q] Eze. 23. 41.
[r] *was good in the eyes of.*
[s] or, *of porphyre, and marble, and alabaster, and stone of blue colour*
[t] ch. 8. 9.
[u] *wone of the kingdom.*
[v] *hand.*
[w] Ep. 5. 22...24
[x] 1 Ti. 2. 12.
[y] *one should publish it according to the language of his people.*
[z] 2 Sa. 13. 28.
[a] ch. 1. 19, 20.
[b] 1 Ki. 1. 2.
[c] or, *eunuchs*
[d] *hand.*
[e] *good of countenance.*
[f] or, *Hegai*, ver. 8.
[g] *which was by the hand of* his *eunuchs.*
[h] Da. 2. 12. Mat. 2. 1.
[i] 1 Ch. 12. 32.
[k] 2Ch.36.10,20 Je. 24. 1.
[l] Ezr. 7. 14.
[m] 2 Ki. 25. 19.
[n] or, *Jehoiachin.* 2 Ki. 24. 6. Je.22.24,28, *Coniah.*
[o] *to do.*
[p] *nourished,* Ep. 6. 4.
[q] *fair of form, and good of countenance.* Ge. 29. 5. 2 Co. 6. 16. 1 Jno. 3. 1.

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and when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the custody of Hegai, that Esther was brought also unto the king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women.

9 And the maiden pleased him, [b] and she obtained kindness of him; and he speedily gave her her things for purification, with [c] such things as belonged to her, and seven maidens, *which were* meet to be given her, out of the king's house: and he [†] preferred her and her maids unto the best *place* of the house of the women.

10 Esther [f] had not shewed her people nor her kindred: [g] for Mordecai had charged her that she should not shew *it*.

11 And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.

12 ¶ Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, *to wit*, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with sweet odours, and with *other* things for the purifying of the women;)

13 Then thus came *every* maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, which kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were [m] called by name.

15 ¶ Now when the turn of Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's chamberlain, the keeper of the women, appointed. And Esther obtained favour in the sight of all them that looked upon her.

16 So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth month, which *is* the month Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign.

17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained grace and [†] favour [‡] in his sight more than all the virgins; [i] so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of Vashti.

18 Then the king [n] made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants, *even* Esther's feast; and he made a [§] release to the provinces, and gave gifts, according to the state of the king.

19 And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai sat [p] in the king's gate.

20 Esther had not *yet* shewed her kindred nor her people; as Mordecai had charged her: for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him.

21 ¶ In those days, while Mordecai sat in the king's gate, two of the king's chamberlains, [q] Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept [‖] the door, were wroth, [r] and sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

22 And [s] the thing was known to Mordecai, who told *it* unto Esther the queen; and Esther certified the king *thereof* [*] in Mordecai's name.

B. C. 516.

[a] ch. 6. 1. Mal. 3. 16.
[b] Ps. 106. 46. Pr. 16. 7.
[c] Ps. 12. 6. Pr. 29. 2.
[d] *her portions.*
[e] Nu. 24. 7. 1 Sa. 15. 9.
[f] Ge. 41. 40, 55. Da. 6. 2.
[†] *changed.*
[g] ver. 20.
[h] Ep. 6. 1.
[i] Ps. 15. 4.
[‡] *the grace of Esther.*
[j] ch. 5. 9. Job 5. 2. Pr. 12. 16. 21. 24.
[k] Da. 3. 19.
[l] Ps. 63. 4.
[m] ch. 9. 24. Pr. 16. 33.
[n] Is. 43. 1. 45. 4. Jno. 10. 3.
[o] Le. 26. 33. De. 4. 27. 32. 26. Je. 30. 17. Ja. 1. 1. 1 Pe. 1. 1.
[p] Ezr. 4. 13. Ac. 16. 20. 25. 22.
[§] *meet*, or, *equal.*
[‖] *to destroy them.*
[q] *weigh.*
[r] Mat. 18. 34.
[†] or, *kindness*
[‡] *before him.*
[s] ch. 8. 2, 8. Ge. 41. 42.
[t] 1 Sa. 2. 8. Ps. 75. 6, 7. 113. 7, 8.
[§] or, *oppressor*, ch. 7. 6.
[u] ch. 1. 3.
[v] Ps. 44. 22 Lu. 23. 25.
[‖] *rest.*
[x] ch. 8. 9.
[y] or, *secretaries.*
[z] ch. 3. 2.
[a] ch. 1. 22.
[a] 1 Ki. 21. 8.
[b] Job 9. 25. Je. 51. 31. Ro. 3. 15.
[†] or, *Bigthana*, ch. 6. 2.
[‡] *the threshold.*
[c] Ps. 144. 10.
[d] Ec. 10. 20.
[e] Phi. 2. 4.

22 And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out; therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in [a] the book of the chronicles before the king.

CHAP. III.

AFTER these things did king Ahasuerus [b] promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the [d] Agagite, and advanced him, [e] and set his seat above all the princes that were with him.

2 And all the king's servants, that *were* in the king's gate, bowed, and reverenced Haman: for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai [h] bowed not, nor did *him* reverence.

3 Then the king's servants, which *were* in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai, Why transgressest thou the king's commandment?

4 Now it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them that he *was* a Jew.

5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai [i] bowed not, nor did him reverence, then was Haman [k] full of wrath.

6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had shewed him the people of Mordecai: wherefore Haman [l] sought to destroy all the Jews that *were* throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, *even* the people of Mordecai.

7 ¶ In the first month, that *is*, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, [m] they cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, *to* the twelfth *month*, that *is*, the month Adar.

8 ¶ And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people [n] scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and [p] their laws *are* diverse from all people; neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it *is* not [§] for the king's profit to suffer them.

9 If it please the king, let it be written [‖] that they may be destroyed: and I will [o] pay [r] ten thousand talents of silver to the hands of those that have the charge of the business, to bring *it* into the king's treasuries.

10 And the king [s] took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' [§] enemy.

11 And the king said unto Haman, The silver *is* given to thee, the people also, [v] to do with them as it seemeth good to thee.

12 Then [x] were the king's [y] scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month, and there was written according to all that Haman had commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors that *were* over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every province [z] according to the writing thereof, and *to* every people after their language; [a] in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.

13 And the letters were sent [b] by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, *even* upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month Adar, and *to take* the spoil of them for a prey.

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14 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was published unto all people, that they should be ready against that day.

15 The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and the decree was given in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman [b] sat down to drink; but [c] the city Shushan was perplexed.

CHAP. IV.

WHEN Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai [d] rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth [e] with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and [f] cried with a loud and a bitter cry;

2 And came even before the king's gate: for none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.

3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, *there was* great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and *many* lay in sackcloth and ashes.

4 ¶ So Esther's maids and her [§] chamberlains came and told *it* her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: [m] but he received *it* not.

5 Then called Esther for Hatach, *one* of the king's chamberlains, [‖] whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, [n] to know what it *was*, and why it *was*.

6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which *was* before the king's gate.

7 And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of [†] the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.

8 Also he gave him [o] the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew *it* unto Esther, and to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, [p] to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.

9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

10 ¶ Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;

11 All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into [a] the inner court, who is not called, [b] *there is* one law of his to put *him* to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days.

12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, [c] Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, [d] *then* shall there *be* enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth [e] whether thou art come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?

15 ¶ Then Esther bade *them* return Mordecai *this answer*,

16 Go, gather together all the Jews that are [q] present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which *is* not according to the law: [r] and if I perish, I perish.

17 So Mordecai [†] went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

CHAP. V.

NOW it came to pass [d] on the third day, that Esther put on *her* royal *apparel*, and stood in the inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house: and the king sat upon his royal throne in the royal house, over against the gate of the house.

2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, *that* [h] she obtained favour in his sight: and the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre that *was* in his hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the sceptre.

3 Then said the king unto her, [i] What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what *is* thy request? [k] it shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.

4 And Esther [l] answered, If *it seem* good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.

5 Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 ¶ And [o] the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, [p] What *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request *is*;

8 If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and [s] to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do [t] to morrow as the king hath said.

9 ¶ Then went Haman forth that day [u] joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, [v] that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai.

10 Nevertheless Haman [w] refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and [x] called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.

11 And Haman told them of [a] the glory of his riches, and [b] the multitude of his children, and all *the things* wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had [c] advanced him above the princes and servants of the king.

12 Haman said moreover, Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to morrow am I invited unto her also with the king.

13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate.

14 ¶ Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a [§] gallows [f] be made of fifty cubits high, and to morrow [g] speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused the gallows to be made.

B. C. 510.

[d] *rent.*
[e] Ge. 43. 14. Ac. 20. 24. Ro. 16. 4.
[f] 2 Sa. 1. 11.
[b] Ho. 7. 5. Am. 6. 6. Re. 11. 10.
[c] *passed.*
[d] ch. 8. 15. Pr. 29. 2.
[e] ch. 4. 16.
[f] Jos. 7. 6. Ese. 27. 30
[g] Ge. 27. 34.
[h] Pr. 21. 1.
[i] *sackcloth and ashes were laid under many.* Is. 58. 5. Da. 9. 3.
[k] Mat. 20. 20, 21. Lu. 18. 41.
[§] *eunuchs.*
[l] Mar. 6. 23.
[m] Pr. 29. 11.
[n] Ge. 37. 35. Ps. 77. 2. Je. 31. 15.
[‖] *whom he had set before her.*
[n] Ro. 12. 15. 1 Co. 12. 26.
[o] ch. 7. 2
[p] ch. 9. 12.
[q] ch. 3. 9.
[r] ch. 3. 14, 15.
[o] *to do.*
[t] Pr. 16. 9.
[u] Pr. 16. 1, 4, 15. Ac. 12. 20.
[v] Job 29. 5. Lu. 6. 25. Ja. 4. 9.
[w] ch. 3. 5. Ps. 15. 4.
[x] 2 Sa. 13. 22. Ec. 7. 9.
[†] *caused to come.*
[a] ch. 5. 1.
[a] Ps. 49. 6, 16, 17. Je. 9. 23. Da. 4. 30. Mar. 10. 24.
[b] Da. 2. 9.
[c] ch. 9. 7, &c.
[d] ch. 3. 1.
[e] Pr. 24. 10. 12. Mat. 16. 24, 25.
[f] Nu. 33. 22., 24. De. 32. 35. Is. 54. 17. Je. 30. 11. Am. 9. 8, 9. Mat. 16. 18.
[g] *respiration* Job 9. 18.
[§] *tree.*
[f] ch. 7. 9.
[h] ch. 6. 4.
[i] Is. 49. 23.

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CHAP. VI.

ON that night [a] could not the king sleep, and he commanded to bring [a] the book of records of the chronicles; and they were read before the king.

2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of † Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the § door, who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

3 And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him.

4 ¶ And the king said, Who *is* in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward court of the king's house, [b] to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him.

5 And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the king said, Let him come in.

6 So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man ‡ whom [c] the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman *f* thought in his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself?

7 And Haman answered the king, For the man ‖ whom the king delighteth to honour,

8 [c] Let the royal apparel be brought † which the king *useth* to wear, and [i] the horse that the king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head:

9 And let this apparel and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man *withal* whom the king delighteth to honour, and § bring him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

10 Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, *and* take the apparel and the horse, as thou hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail of all that thou hast spoken.

11 Then [i] took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

12 ¶ And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman [b] hasted to his house mourning, [g] and having his head covered.

13 And Haman told Zeresh his wife and all his friends every *thing* that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto him, If Mordecai *be* of the seed of the Jews, before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely fall before him.

14 And while they *were* yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and hasted to bring Haman unto [c] the banquet that Esther had prepared.

CHAP. VII.

SO the king and Haman came ‖ to banquet with Esther the queen.

2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What *is* thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? and it shall be performed, *even* to the half of the kingdom.

B. C. 510.

[a] *the king's sleep fled away.*
[a] ch. 2. 23.
† or, *Bigthan* ch. 2. 21.
‡ *that they should destroy, and kill, and cause to perish.*
§ *threshold.*
‖ *whose heart hath filled him.*
[c] *The man adversary.*
[b] ch. 5. 14.
[c] Job 15. 21. 18. 5. 12. Ps. 73. 1. 19.
† or, *at the presence of.*
[d] 1 Sa. 20. 7, 33.
‡ *in whose honour the king delighteth.*
[c] Mat. 3. 17. Jno. 5. 23.
f Pr. 1. 32. Ob. 3.
[g] ch. 1. 6.
§ *with me.*
‖ *in whose honour the king delighteth.*
[h] Job 9. 24.
[c] *Let them bring the royal apparel.*
† *wherewith the king clotheth* himself.
[i] 1 Ki. 1. 33.
[k] ch. 1. 10.
[l] Ps. 7. 16. Pr. 11. 5, 6.
‡ *tree.*
§ *cause him to ride.*
[m] Ps. 37. 35, 36 Da. 6. 24.
[n] Ge. 41. 43.
[o] Eze. 5. 13.
[p] Job 27. 16, 17 Ps. 39. 6. 49. 6. 14. Pr. 13. 22. 28. 8. Lu. 12. 20.
‖ *suffer not a whit to fall.*
[r] ch. 2. 7.
[s] Lu. 1. 52.
[t] Lu. 15. 22.
[u] Ps. 37. 34.
[v] 2 Ch. 25. 20. Job 20. 5.
[c] *she wept, and besought him.*
[w] 2 Sa. 15. 30. Je. 14. 3, 4.
[g] ch. 4. 11.
† *the device.*
‡ or, *who wrote.*
[a] ch. 5. 8.
[a] *Je.* 9. 1.
§ *be able that I may see.*
[b] Ne. 2. 3.
‖ *to drink.*

3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:

4 For we are sold, I and my people, ‡ to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

5 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, ‖ that durst presume in his heart to do so?

6 And Esther said, [c] The adversary and enemy *is* this wicked Haman. Then Haman [c] was afraid † before the king and the queen.

7 ¶ And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath *went* into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen: [d] for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon ‖ the bed whereon Esther *was*. Then said the king, Will he force the queen also § before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they [h] covered Haman's face.

9 And [k] Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, [l] the ‡ gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

10 So [m] they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then [c] was the king's wrath pacified.

CHAP. VIII.

ON that day did the king Ahasuerus [n] give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told † what he *was* unto her.

2 And the king took off [o] his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther [c] set Mordecai over the house of Haman.

3 ¶ And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and [c] besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews.

4 Then [p] the king held out the golden sceptre toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before the king,

5 And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing *seem* right before the king, and I *be* pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse † the letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, ‡ which he wrote to destroy the Jews which *are* in all the king's provinces:

6 For [c] how can I § endure to see [b] the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?

7 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

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8 Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name, and seal *it* with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, [a] may no man reverse.

9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that *is*, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth *day* thereof; and it was written according to all that Mordecai commanded unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which *are* [c] from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews according to their writing, and according to their language.

10 And [e] he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed *it* with the king's ring, and sent letters [f] by posts on horseback, *and* riders on mules, camels, *and* young dromedaries:

11 Wherein the king granted the Jews which *were* in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, *both* little ones and women, and [h] *to take* the spoil of them for a prey,

12 Upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, *namely*, upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month Adar.

13 The [k] copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province *was* [§] published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day [m] to avenge themselves on their enemies.

14 *So* the posts that rode upon mules *and* camels went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace.

15 ¶ And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king [p] in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and [r] the city of Shushan rejoiced and was glad.

16 The Jews had [s] light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast [t] and a good day. And many of the people of the land [u] became Jews; for [v] the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

CHAP. IX.

NOW in the twelfth month, that *is*, the month Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews [b] had rule over them that hated them;)

2 The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as [e] sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for [d] the fear of them fell upon all people.

3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and [†] officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them.

4 For Mordecai *was* great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai [b] waxed greater and greater.

5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did [e] what they would unto those that hated them.

6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men.

7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vajezatha,

10 The [d] ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.

11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace [†] was brought before the king.

12 ¶ And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces? [f] now what *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what *is* thy request further? and it shall be done.

13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews which *are* in Shushan to do to morrow also [‡] according unto this day's decree, and [‡] let Haman's ten sons [‡] be hanged upon the gallows.

14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

15 For the Jews that *were* in Shushan [m] gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the month Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan; [e] but on the prey they laid not their hand.

16 But the other Jews that *were* in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and five thousand, but they laid not their hands on the prey,

17 On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day [e] of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

18 But the Jews that *were* at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth *day* thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth *day* of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled towns, made the fourteenth day of the month Adar [n] *a day of* gladness and feasting, [y] and a good day, and of [n] sending portions one to another.

20 ¶ And Mordecai [e] wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that *were* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, *both* nigh and far,

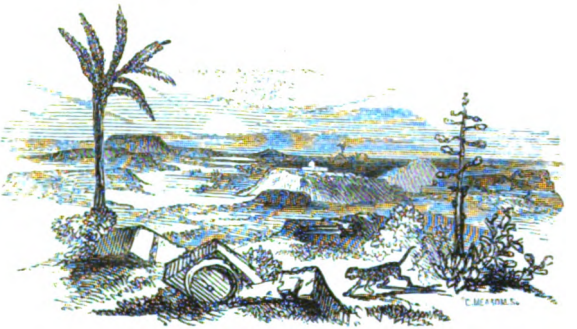
21 To stablish *this* among them, that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly,

22 As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was [e] turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them days of feast-

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[a] Da. 6. 8, 12, 15. He. 6. 17, 18.
[b] 2 Sa. 3. 1. 1 Ch. 11. 9. Pr. 4. 18.
[c] *according to their writing*
[e] ch. 1. 1.
[d] ch. 5. 11. Job 18. 19. 27. 13..15. Ps. 21. 10.
[e] 1 Ki. 21. 8.
[f] Job 9. 25. Je. 51. 31.
[†] *came.*
[g] ch. 5. 6. 7. 2.
[h] ch. 9. 10, 15, 16.
[i] ch. 8. 11.
[‡] *let men hang.*
[k] ch. 3. 14, 15.
[l] 2 Sa. 21. 6, 9.
[§] *revealed.*
[m] Lu. 18. 7.
[n] Ps. 118. 7..12
[o] 1 Th. 5. 22. He. 13. 5.
[p] Ge. 41. 42. Mat. 6. 29. 11. 8. Lu. 16. 19.
[||] or, *violet.*
[r] Pr. 29. 2.
[s] Ps. 97. 11.
[e] *in it.*
[t] 1 Sa. 25. 8.
[u] Ps. 18. 43. Zec. 8. 20.. 23.
[v] Ge. 35. 5. Ex. 15. 16. De. 2. 25. 11. 25.
[w] De. 16. 11, 14
[y] ch. 8. 17.
[z] Ne. 8. 10, 12. Ec. 11. 10.
[a] Ex. 17. 14. De. 31. 19.. 22. Ps. 124. 1..3. 145. 4..12.
[b] 2 Sa. 22. 41.
[c] Ps. 71. 13, 24.
[d] ch. 8. 17.
[e] Ps. 30. 11. Mat. 5. 4. Joo. 16. 20.. 22.
[†] *those which did the business that belonged to the king.*
[‡] *cause.*
[n] *a day of gladness and feasting, and sending portions one to another.*
[y] *and a good day, and of*

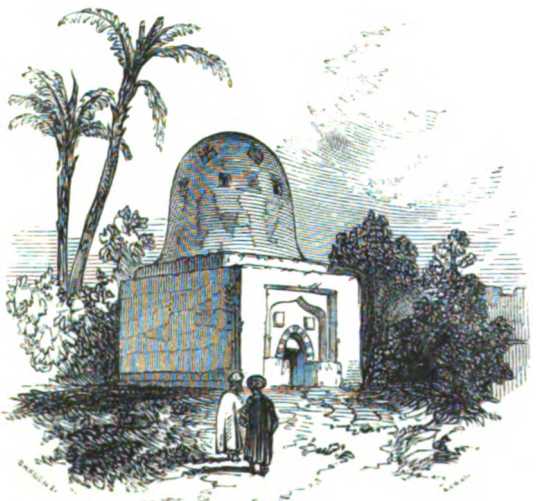
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SITE OF SUSA.—*Original Sketch.*—Esther i. 2.



ANCIENT SIGNET RINGS.—*British Museum.*—Esther iii. 1



TOMB OF ESTHER AND MORDECAI.—*Melling.*

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ing and joy, and of sending portions one to another, [a] and gifts to the poor.

23 And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them;

24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, [o] had devised against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, to [‡] consume them, and to destroy them;

25 But [§] when *Esther* came before the king, he commanded by letters that his wicked device, which he devised against the Jews, should [f] return upon his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.

26 Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of [o] Pur. Therefore for all the words of [A] this letter, and *of that* which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them,

27 The Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as [†] joined themselves unto them, so as it should not [†] fail, that they would keep these two days according to their writing, and according to their *appointed* time every year;

28 And *that* these days *should be* [m] remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and *that* these days of Purim should not [§] fail from among the

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[o] *be ended.*
[a] Ga. 2. 10.
[b] ch. 2. 15.
[†] *strength.*
[c] ch. 3. 6, 7.
[d] ch. 1. 1.
[‡] *crush.*
[e] 2 Ki. 20. 19. Zec. 8. 19.
[§] *when she came.*
[f] ch. 7. 10. Ps. 7. 16. 109. 17, 18. 140. 9. 141. 10.
[||] *for their souls.*
[g] ch. 4. 3, 16.
[o] i. e. *lot.*
[h] ver. 20.
[i] Is. 24. 15.
[k] ch. 8. 17. Is. 56. 3, 6. Zec. 2. 11.
[†] *pass.*
[l] Da. 2. 48.
[‡] *made him great.*
[m] Ex. 12. 17. Ps. 78. 5...7. 103. 2.
[n] Ge. 41. 40.
[o] Ro. 10. 1.
[§] *pass.*

Jews, nor the memorial of them [o] perish from their seed.

29 Then Esther the queen, [b] the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all [†] authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.

30 And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to [d] the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, *with* words of [e] peace and truth,

31 To confirm these days of Purim in their times *appointed*, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had decreed [‖] for themselves and for their seed, the matters of [g] the fastings and their cry.

32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it was written in the book.

CHAP. X.

AND the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and *upon* [i] the isles of the sea.

2 And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, [l] whereunto the king [‡] advanced him, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?

3 For Mordecai the Jew *was* [n] next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, [o] seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I.—SITE OF SUSA. Susa is one of the modern names of Shushan, for it is also called Shouster, or Shus. The original word signifies a lily or a rose, from the great number of lilies growing in that district. It was the ancient royal residence of the kings of Elam or Persia, built by Darius Hystaspis, according to Pliny; though he probably only restored it, being a very ancient city, founded by Tithonus, the father of Memnon. The kings of Persia had two favourite residences—Ecbatana, for the summer, and, after the time of Cyrus, Susa for the winter. Here the kings kept their treasure, and Alexander found immense riches in it. It stood on the river Ulai, Dan. viii. 2. The city was an oblong quadrangle, and had a citadel called Memnonium. Here Daniel had the vision of the ram and he-goat, in the third year of Belshazzar, Dan. viii. Nehemiah was also at Shushan when he obtained from Artaxerxes permission to return into Judea, and to repair the walls of Jerusalem. Neh. i. 1. The correctness of the site has been disputed. Mr. Kennier rather thinks that the ruins about thirty-five miles west of Shouster are those of that ancient residence of royalty, stretching not less, perhaps, than twelve miles from one extremity to the other. They occupy an immense space between the rivers Kerah and Abzal; and, like the ruins of Ctesiphon, Babylon, and Kufa, consist of hillocks of earth and rubbish, covered with broken pieces of brick and covered tile. The largest is a mile in circumference, and nearly one hundred feet in height; another, not quite so high, is double the circuit. They are formed of clay and pieces of tile, with irregular layers of brick and mortar, five or six feet in thickness, to serve, as it should seem, as a kind of prop to the mass. Large blocks of marble covered with hieroglyphics are not unfrequently here discovered by the Arabs, when digging in search of hidden treasure; and at the foot of the most elevated ruins stands the tomb of Daniel, a small and apparently a modern building, erected on the spot where the relics of that prophet are believed to rest.' Major Kennel coincides in the opinion that these ruins represent the ancient Shusa; but Dr. Vincent determines for Shouster. The site of Shusa is now a gloomy wilderness, infested by lions, hyænas, and other beasts of prey.

CH. III.—SIGNET-RINGS. The signets of the ancients were seals in rings, having stones engraven with some devices, and they were worn upon the fingers or wrists. The seal of a governor was guarded with great care, and always carried about his person. The art of writing has for ages been known in the East but by a few. Seals were therefore the necessary substitute for a signature. The civil governor gave validity to every document issuing from him by stamping it with an impression of his seal. In order under the governor's seal, commanding the death of any individual, that person would be treated as a criminal, and executed on the warrant thus authenticated. Or, should an order thus authenticated command the disbursement of a considerable sum of money, the treasurer would disburse it, and justify himself by this authority. So that, in fact, the possessor of this seal possesses all the power of the real owner, and all the resources of the country. Ancient seals were not cut hollow like ours, but the figures or letters were raised, like the stamps used to produce the post marks on letters, and for other purposes. Hence they must have been dipped in some sort of thick ink prepared for raised letters, as our printer's ink. The eastern seals not only bore the initials of the owner's name, but various inscriptions, mottoes, and sentences. To this there seems to be an allusion in 2 Tim. ii. 19. The seal, or motto around the seal, bears this inscription, "The Lord knoweth them that are his." This inscription is on the enclosed, the folded side of the believer's patent: on the open side, the exposed part of the patent, is the counter inscription, "Let all who name the name of Christ depart from iniquity." The character is conspicuous to all, and, as it were, a continuance of the former, its counterpart, and in perfect coincidence with it. The motion of a writing fully, amply confirmed —that is to say, a royal patent—is this passage.

TOMB OF ESTHER AND MORDECAI. At Hamadan, the ancient Ecbatana, there is a tomb called the tomb of Mordecai and Esther. The Jews, who have always abounded in this region, have helped to preserve the memory of it by tradition, and Hamadan has been a place of pilgrimage to the Jews from time immemorial. The building of the tomb has a bell-shaped dome. It stands on rather an elevated spot. The entrance to the building is by a stone door of small dimensions. This door conducts to the ante-chamber, which is small, and contains the tombs of several Rabbis. A second very small door leads to the tomb-chamber, which is larger than the outer apartment. In the midst of this, stand the two sarcophagi of Mordecai and Esther, of dark and hard wood. They are richly carved, and bear a Hebrew inscription from ch. ii. 5, and x. 2. The wood is in good preservation, though evidently very old. This building is thought to have been erected by certain devout Jews about the year of our Lord 250.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO JOSHUA.

Ch. II.—1. *An harlot's house.* Rahab kept a caravanserai or public-house for the entertainment of strangers, it was therefore natural for the spies to go to such a house. But that she was, according to the common meaning of the word, a harlot, is greatly doubted. The name was indiscriminately given to what we should call the innkeeper and the loose woman, but probably only because of the reputation of many persons who kept those houses; thus making the office and character to partake of the same discredit. 6. *Stalks—which she had laid—upon the roof.* In the East they still use the flat roofs of their houses for drying raisins, flowers, &c. 15. *Dwelt upon the wall.* The apartment she reserved for herself was next to the wall and built upon it, the rest of her house toward the street being kept for strangers. This gave a fair opportunity to let the men down without any noise.

Ch. III.—10. *The Canaanites and the Hittites, &c.* The Canaanites chiefly inhabited what is called Phœnicia, the environs of Tyre and Sidon: the Hittites dwelt by Ebal and Gerisim, Sichem, and Gibeon, toward the mountains of Hermon. The Perizzites were probably not a distinct nation or tribe, but rather villagers scattered through the country. The Girgashites possessed the region beyond the Jordan, toward the lake Gennesareth. The Jebusites possessed Jerusalem. The Amorites occupied the mountainous country in the vicinity of the west part of the Dead Sea, also that part of the land of Moab which the Israelites conquered from Sihon and Og.

Ch. V.—3. *Sharp knives.* Many relics of indisputable antiquity show, that the art of cutting the hardest stones, as porphyry, cornelian, &c. was carried to high perfection in Egypt before the exodus; and the English antiquary is reminded of the stone knives, arrow heads, &c. of the ancient Britons turned up by the plough. 15. *Loose thy shoe, &c.* The custom which is here referred to, not only constantly prevailed all over the East from the earliest age, but continues to this day. It was and is a token of respect and reverence; equivalent to uncovering the head with us.

Ch. VII.—21. *A goodly Babylonish garment.* Babylonish robes were very splendid and in high reputation. They were of various colours. Some think they were woven, some embroidered, and others painted.

Ch. IX.—4. *Took old sacks—and wine bottles, &c.* Thus the Gibeonites pretended to have come from a very distant country, and that their sacks, and the skins that served them for carrying their wine and water, were worn out by the length of the journey. Sir J. Chardin informs us, that the Arabs keep water, milk, and other liquors, in leathern bottles, and so preserve them more fresh than in any other way. These leathern bottles are made of goat skins. When the animal is killed, they cut off its feet and its head, and then draw it out of its skin, which is thus left nearly whole. They afterwards sew up the places where the legs and the tail were cut off, and when it is filled they tie it about the neck. These nations and the country people of Persia never go a journey without a small leathern bottle of water hanging by their side, like a scrip. These bottles are frequently rent, when old and much used, but they are capable of being repaired. Similar bottles are still used in Spain, called 'borrachas.' (See outs end of Ps. and Lam.)

Ch. IX.—23. *Cursed—hewers of wood and drawers of water.* The severity of this sentence was greater than it appears at first sight. In the East those services are performed by women and children, and the bitterness of their doom consisted in their being degraded from the employment of men, and condemned, with their posterity, to the duties of females.

Ch. X.—11. *Died with hailstones.* This shower, though natural in itself, was supernaturally employed on this occasion. The stones probably far exceeded the usual size, and it certainly indicates a miraculous interposition of Providence, that they should have fallen as the very crisis when God promised to assist his people against their enemies; and that while in falling, they slew multitudes of the fugitive Canaanites, they should not have harmed one of their pursuers. Commodore Porter gives a graphic description of a similar phenomenon which he witnessed in the year 1831:—'We had got perhaps a mile and a half on our way when a cloud rising in the west, gave indications of an approaching rain. In a few minutes we discovered something falling from the heavens, with a heavy splash, and of a whitish appearance. I could not conceive what it was, but observing some gulls near, I supposed it to be them darting for fish; but soon discovered that it was large balls of ice falling. Immediately we heard a sound like rumbling thunder, or ten thousand carriages rolling furiously over the pavement. The whole Bosphorus was in a foam, as though heaven's artillery had been discharged upon us and our frail machine. Our fate seemed inevitable; our umbrellas were raised to protect us,—the lumps of ice stripped them into shreds. We fortunately had a bullock's hide in the boat, under which we crawled, and saved ourselves from further injury. One man of the three oarsmen, had his hand literally smashed; another much injured in the shoulder; Mr. H. received a severe blow on the leg; my right hand was somewhat disabled, and all more or less injured. A small kaick accompanied with my two servants. They were both disabled, and are now in bed with their wounds; the kaick was terribly bruised. It was the most awful and terrific scene that ever I witnessed, and God forbid that I should ever be exposed to such another. Balls of ice as large as my two fists, fell into the boat; and some of them came with such violence, as certainly to have broken an arm or leg, had they struck us in those parts. One of them struck the blade of an oar, and split it. The scene lasted, perhaps, five minutes; but it was five minutes of the most awful feeling that I ever experienced. When it passed over, we found the surrounding hills covered with masses of ice, I cannot call it hail; the trees stripped of their leaves and limbs, and everything looked desolate. We proceeded on our course, however, and arrived at our destination, drenched and ave struck.' Ps. *Put your feet upon the necks of these kings.* This, in the East, was a favourite way of triumphing; and is represented in the cut below (from Persian sculptures), where two kings are seen treading on the necks of vanquished foes.

Ch. XI.—4. *Chariots very many.* The war chariots of the Canaanites are supposed to have been armed with iron scythes, fastened to the poles and to the ends of the axletrees. When furiously driven, they would make fearful havoc in the ranks of infantry, of which only were the forces of Israel composed, mowing them down like grass.



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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO JUDGES.

Ch. I.—6. *Cut off his thumbs.* That he might never be able to draw his bow or handle his sword; and great toes, that he might never be able to pursue or escape from an adversary. This species of maiming was common among the ancient Greeks and Romans, it being sometimes practised by parents on their little sons, (especially the cutting off of the thumbs,) that, by being incapacitated, they might not be called to go to war. It was also sometimes designed as a brand of reproach for cowardice. The Italians, Calmet remarks, have preserved a term—*poltrons*, which signifies one whose thumb is cut off—to designate a soldier destitute of courage and valour; and we use poltroon to signify the same, without considering the import of the word. 7. *Threescore and ten kings.* Not such monarchs as have subsequently governed the world. Countries were anciently divided into little principalities. Conquerors united many into one. Formerly we had four kings in Kent alone. Germany still retains numerous petty sovereignties.

Ch. II.—11. *Baalim.* Images or statues of Baal are here meant. Baal signifies lord, husband, patron, protector. Baal and Ashtaroth are commonly mentioned together. Baal is used in a generical sense for the superior god of the Phœnicians, Chaldeans, Moabites, and other people, and is often compounded with the name of some place or quality; as Baal-peor, Baal-zebub, Baal-gad, &c. Baal is the most ancient god of the Canaanites, and perhaps of all the East. Some think the Baal of the Phœnicians was the Saturn of Greece and Rome; and he is called by the Greek and Roman writers, Hercules and Hercules-Tyrius. It is commonly concluded that Baal, or Bel, was the sun, and that under this name that luminary was worshipped; yet some think the name was used also, especially in the plural number, to signify deified heroes; Baal (in Chaldea Bel), the king of Babel, or Babylon, (by the authority of whose son, Ninus, this idolatry was begun) being the first, after Nimrod, who was deified and reputed a god after death.



Forms of Baal. 1 & 3 Osiris (*Egypt*). 2 Hercules (*Greece*). 4 Bel (*Phœnicia*). 5 Apollo (*Greece and Rome*).

Ch. III.—8. *Mesopotamia.* The countries which lay between the rivers Tigris and Euphrates. 18. *Made an end to offer the present.* There is still preserved in the East a great deal of pomp and parade in presenting their gifts; they frequently load on four or five horses what might easily be carried on one. Something of this pomp is here referred to, in the account of the present made by Ehud, when we read of a number of persons who conveyed it, and of their 'making an end of offering the present.' 24. *The doors of the parlour were locked.* The wooden locks commonly used in Egypt consist of a long hollow piece of wood, fixed in the door so as to slide backwards and forwards, which enters a hole made for it in the door-post, and is there fastened by small bolts of iron wire, which fall from above into little orifices made for them in the top of the lock. The key is a long piece of wood, having at the end small pieces of iron wire of different lengths, irregularly fixed in, corresponding in number and direction with the bolts which fall into the lock, which it then pulls back. The bolts of wire differ in number from three to fourteen or fifteen, and it is impossible to guess at the number a lock contains, or at the direction in which they are placed. 28. *The fords of Jordan.* The river Jordan has several fordable places, which are of course more numerous in summer than in winter or spring, when the stream is swollen with rains or melted snows. It is now seldom forded except on horseback; and the few places otherwise fordable were, as we see, well known to the ancient inhabitants, who on this, and on other occasions, guarded them to prevent the passage across the river. The points where the river may in different parts of the year be forded, are still well known to the inhabitants of the land, although the communication across the river is now very unfrequent. 31. *With an ox goad.* The goad of Palestine is of enormous size, and well calculated for a military offensive weapon, according to the description of the intelligent Maundrell, who observes, in his diary, 'At Kane Leban (a place about a day's journey from Jerusalem) the country people were, at the time I was there, ploughing everywhere in the fields. It was observable, that in ploughing they used goads of an extraordinary size; I found some of them, on measuring, to be eight feet long, and at the bigger end six inches in circumference. They were armed at the lesser end with a sharp prickle for driving the oxen, and at the other end with a spade or paddle of iron, strong and massy, for cleansing the plough from the clay which encumbers it in working. May we not hence conjecture, that it was with such a goad as one of these, that Shamgar made that prodigious slaughter? I am confident that whoever should see one of these instruments, which are commonly used in all these parts, would judge it to be a weapon not less fit, perhaps fitter than a sword, for such an execution. It is probable that the policy of disarming the Israelites, mentioned in Saul's time, (1 Sam. xiii. 19,) was now introduced by their enemies, and that Shamgar, for want of other weapons, had recourse to an ox goad, which was left for purposes of agriculture.

Ch. IV.—18. *Into the tent.* When a stranger comes to an Arab camp where he has no acquaintance, he proceeds to the first tent, and if the proprietor is himself absent, his wife or daughters are not only authorised but required to perform the duties of hospitality to him. As a character for liberal hospitality is an actual distinction of an Arab, no one can with honour repel from the tent a stranger who claims hospitality, nor, in ordinary circumstances, does any one *desire* to do so: on the contrary, there is rather a disposition to contend who shall enjoy the privilege of granting him entertainment. In the present instance, Sisera's application to the tent of the sheikh, whose privilege it more especially was to entertain strangers, was in the common course of things. As belonging to a friendly people, Sisera's claim for protection was as valid as a common claim for hospitality, and could not be refused. Having once promised protection to a person, and admitted him to his tent, the Arab is bound not only to conceal his guest, but to defend him, even with his life, from his pursuers; and if his tent should be forced, and his guest slain there, it is his duty to become the avenger of his blood. On these sentiments of honour Sisera seems to have relied, particularly after Jael had supplied him with refreshments, which, in the highest sense, are regarded as a seal to the covenant of peace and safety: and in fact, after all this, an Arab would be bound to protect with his own life even his bitterest enemy to whom he may have inadvertently granted his protection. It is probable that Jael introduced Sisera for safety into the inner or woman's part of the tent. This she might do without impropriety, although it would be the most grievous insult for any man to

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intrude there without permission: there he was safe, as a pursued man. 21. *Nail of the tent.* Doubtless one of the small wooden pins or sharpened sticks driven into the ground to attach the cords to which extended the tent. The tents of the Bedouin Arabs are kept firm and steady by bracing and stretching down their eaves with cords tied down to hooked wooden pins, well pointed, which they drive into the ground with a mallet; one of these pins, answering to the nail as the mallet does to the hammer, was that which Jael used in fastening to the ground the temples of Sisera.

Ch. V.—6. *The highways were unoccupied, and the travellers walked through byways.* Though there are roads in the eastern countries, it is very easy to turn out of them, and to go to a place by winding about over the lands, when that is thought safer. Shaw took notice of this circumstance in Barbary, where, he says, he found no hedges, or mounds, or enclosures, to retard or molest them. The account Pococke gives of the manner in which the Arab, under whose care he had put himself, conducted him to Jerusalem, greatly illustrates this circumstance: he says, 'It was by night, and not by the high road, but through the fields; and I observed that he avoided as much as he could going near any village or encampment, and sometimes stood still, as if listening to hear them.' Just in that manner people were obliged to travel in Judea in the days of Shamgar and Jael. 10. *Ride on white asses.* This was a distinction appropriate to magistrates and principal persons; a proof not so much of their poverty as their simplicity, in that they had not yet learned to multiply horses and chariots, in conformity to their heathen neighbours. By these white asses the elegant-shaped onager is supposed to be intended. This is 'a taller and much more dignified animal than the common ass; its form more elegantly shaped, and it bears its head higher. It is peculiarly distinguished by a dusky, woolly mane, long erect ears, and a forehead highly arched. The colour of the hair in general is of a silvery hue. The upper part of the face, the side of the neck, and the upper part of the thighs, are flaxen-coloured. The fore part of the body is divided from the flank by a white line extending from the rump to the tail. The legs and belly are white. A stripe of waved, coffee-coloured, bushy hair runs along the top of the back, from the mane to the tail. Another stripe of the same colour crosses the former at the shoulders. Two beautiful white lines, one on each side, bound the dorsal band and the mane. In winter the hair is soft, silky, and waving, and resembles the hair of the camel; in summer it is smooth and silky; and certain shaded rays, pointing downwards, mark the sides of the neck.' 25. *She brought forth butter.* Everything here agrees with Arab customs; and if we suppose 'an had just been churning, we may account in the easiest manner in the world for these two expressions. Sisera, being thirsty, asked for water: she opens a bottle (leathern of course), and pouring its contents into a bowl fit to be presented to a man of Sisera's quality, and doubtless the best she had, she offers him this butter-milk. 28. *The mother of Sisera looked out at a window.* The method of building, both in Barbary and the Levant, seems to have continued the same from the earliest ages. All the private houses open into the court, if we except sometimes a latticed window or balcony towards the street. It is only during the celebration of some seenah, or public festival, that these houses and their latticed windows are left open, for this being a time of great festivity and rejoicing, and strangers, each family is ambitious of adorning both the inside and the outside of their houses with the richest part of their furniture; while crowds of both sexes, dressed out in their best apparel, and, laying aside all modesty, ceremony, and restraint, go in and out where they please. The account we have (2 Kings ix. 30) of Jezebel's painting her face, tiring her head, and looking out at a window upon Jehu's public entry into Jezreel, gives us a lively idea of an eastern lady at one of these solemnities. (See cut at end of Prov.)

Ch. VII.—19. *Middle watch.* That is, a little after midnight, the night being divided, among the Hebrews and other Eastern nations, into three parts. The Romans afterwards divided the night into four parts; whence we read in the Gospels of the fourth watch. It is wise to keep a well-ordered division of time, that we may daily number our days, and apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Ch. XIV.—6. 6. *He rent him as he would—a kid.* An instance in modern times of an unarmed man attempting to combat a lion, is related by Poiret (Travels in Barbary): 'In a douar, or camp of Bedouin Arabs, near La Calle (a French factory), a young lion had seized a cow. A young Moor threw himself upon the savage beast, to tear his booty from him, and, as it were, to stifle him in his arms, but he would not let go his prey. The father of the young man hastened to him, armed with a kind of hoe, and aiming at the lion, struck his son and cut off three of his fingers. It cost a great deal of trouble to rescue the prey from the lion.' 10. *They brought thirty companions to be with him.* 'In the evening I attended one of the marriages. Three priests assisted in performing it. A multitude of men and boys set off with lights in their hands, an hour after sunset, from the house of the bridegroom (leaving the bridegroom in his father's house) to that of the bride. After waiting nearly half an hour, the bride came out, attended by her female friends, and the procession began, the men going first, and after them the women, with the bride in their front. On their coming near the church they halted, while the bridegroom proceeded first into the church with his father and companions, in number certainly more than thirty, to be ready to receive his bride. After this, the bride and her party entered by the door and apartment belonging to the women. An incessant noise and tumult prevailed throughout the ceremony, which lasted nearly half an hour.'—Jowett. 12. *Change of garments.* Very likely the kumja and caftan are meant; the former a shirt, which hangs outside of the drawers, and comes down before the knee, and the latter a coat, which buttons close before, and over which, when they go out of doors, they throw carelessly a hyke or mantle. (See note Exod. xxii. 27.)

Ch. XV.—4. *Three hundred foxes.* Rather jackalls, which go together in large herds, and are caught in snares and nets. Roman and Greek authors have allusions to mischief done to standing corn by sending into it different animals, and foxes among others, with firebrands tied to them.

Ch. XVI.—1. *Gaza.* One of the most southern cities of Palestine, near the Mediterranean Sea, supposed by some to have derived its name from the treasures despoiled there by Cambyses, king of the Persians; but more likely from the Hebrew word signifying strength, it being a strong and well fortified place. (See note and cut end of Judg.) 21. *Put out his eyes.* This cruel eastern practice is done in various ways. Sometimes the pupils of the eyes are pierced and destroyed. The eyes are taken out with the point of a dagger, or by a method yet more common, a red-hot iron is held before them. One of the late pachas of Egypt, having a very handsome man high in his service, who was so vain of his superiority to himself, that he one day sent for his barber, and desired him to scoop out an eye to disfigure him, to which the unfortunate creature was obliged tacitly to submit; a proof of the continuance of the custom, and of the value set by eastern tyrants on the eye-sight of their unfortunate inferiors, even though they are princes. Modern travellers inform us, that in Persia it is no unusual practice for the king to punish a rebellious city or province by cutting so many pounds of eyes. His executioners accordingly go and scoop them out from every one they meet, till they have the weight required. 27. *There were upon the roof about three thousand men and women.* The eastern method of building may assist us in accounting for the total destruction of the temple of Dagon, and the great number of people that were buried in the ruins of it, by pulling down the two principal pillars. Samson must have been in a court or area below them; and consequently the temple was to be of the same kind with the kiosks or sacred enclosures, surrounded only in part or altogether with some plain or cloistered buildings. Several palaces and dua-eanaa, as they call the courts of justice in these countries, are built in this fashion, and open upon their festivals and rejoicings, a great quantity of sand is strewn upon the area for the wrestlers to fall upon, whilst the roof of the cloisters round about is crowded with spectators of their strength and agility. I have often, says a traveller, seen several hundreds of people dressed in this manner upon the roof of the dey's palace at Algiers, which, like many more of the same quality and denomination, has an advanced cloister over against the gate of the palace, (Ext. v. 1.) made in the fashion of a large penthouse, supported only by one or two contiguous pillars in the front, or else in the centre. In such open structures as these, in the midst of their guards and counsellors, are the bashaws, cadis, and other great officers, assembled to distribute justice and transact the public affairs of their provinces. Here, likewise, they have their public entertainments, as the lords and others of the Philistines had in the house of Dagon. Upon a supposition that in the house of Dagon there was a cloistered structure of this kind, the pulling down of the front or centre pillar's only, which supported it, would be attended with the catastrophe that happened to the Philistines.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO RUTH.

Ch. II.—7. *In the house.* This means the tent which was pitched, or the shed which was erected, temporarily on the ground, for the occasional accommodation of the persons engaged in the harvest. Here they enjoyed an interval of rest, under shade, in the heat of the day, partaking of such refreshments as were provided. After this they resumed their labour, and continued it until towards evening, as we see in the sequel. 14. *Parched corn.* 'To-day we crossed the valley of Elassar, and bathed in the hot baths of Solomon, near some cornfields, where one of our Arabs plucked some green ears of corn, parched them for us, by putting them in the fire, and then, when roasted, rubbed out the grain in his hands.'—Maemichael's Journey to Constantinople.

Ch. III.—3. *He winnoweth barley to night.* The manner of winnowing corn in warm climates is to throw it up in the air when the wind is brisk; the grain then falls, and the wind carries away the husk. In Palestine, as in other countries bordering on the sea, a breeze usually springs up from the sea every evening; and this accounts for the expression we have here, of 'winnowing barley to night.' 15. *Veil.* Eastern veils are of different kinds and names. The veils mentioned in Scripture were, no doubt, mostly analogous to the wrappers of different kinds in which the Eastern women envelope themselves when they quit their houses. These are of great amplitude, and, among the common people, of strong and coarse texture, like that in which Ruth carried home her corn.

Ch. IV.—7. *Plucked off his shoe.* In the law (Deut. xxv. 5) this act is directed to be performed by the woman; but here it seems to be done by the man himself, who gives his shoe to Boaz. In the former instance, the man refusing to perform his duty without coming to any arrangement with the next of kin to act for him, his shoe was taken from him with some ignominy; but here, as he does not absolutely refuse, the ignominy is spared, and the matter is treated as an amicable transfer of right. The use of the shoe in this transaction is sufficiently intelligible; the taking off the shoe denoting the relinquishment of the right, and the dissolution of the obligation, in the one instance, and its transfer in the other. The shoe is regarded as constituting possession; nor is this idea unknown to ourselves, it being expressed in the homely proverbial expression, by which one man is said 'to stand in the shoes of another.'

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO I. AND II. SAMUEL.

I. SAMUEL.

Ch. II.—1. *Mine horn is exalted.* Some think there may here be an allusion to a form of dress in some parts of the East. Buckingham, describing a female's ornaments, at Tyre, says, 'she wore also on her head a hollow silver horn, rearing itself upwards, obliquely, from her forehead, being 4 or 5 inches at the root, and pointed at its extreme.' Bruce noticed the horn bound on the forehead of Abyssinian chiefs. It denotes strength and power, as the chief defence and strength of many beasts is in their horns. It is most likely the allusion to be exalted born, so often made in Scripture, is taken direct from the animals.

Ch. VI.—4. *Five golden emerods, and five golden mice.* This was also a custom among the ancient heathens, to consecrate to their gods such monuments of their deliverances, as represented the evils from which they were freed. Tavernier relates, that this is still practised among the Indians; he says, that when any pilgrim goes to a pagod for the cure of disease, he brings the figure of the limb or part of the body which is affected, made either of gold, silver, or copper, according to his quality, which he offers to his god, and then begins to sing, as all others do, after they have offered. A similar practice of hanging up figures of the limbs or parts afflicted with disease still prevails in popish churches. 5. *Mice that mar the land.* Some think the jerboa, or field-mouse, which does vast damage by eating the sprouts of young corn. (See note Lev. xi. 6.) William of Tyre records, that in the twelfth century a penitential council was held at Naploase, where twenty-five canons were framed to correct the manners of the Christian kingdom of Jerusalem, which, they apprehended, had provoked God to bring upon them the calamities of earthquakes, war, and famine. This last he ascribes to locusts, and devouring mice, which had for four years together so destroyed the fruits of the earth as to cause almost a total failure of their crops.

Ch. IX.—7. *What shall we bring the man?* The ancient custom in Eastern countries to approach men of rank with presents is preserved with great strictness to this day. Mr. Maundrell says, 'He visited no basshaw, or great person, without this previous respect, as it was accounted uncivil in those countries to make such a visit without an offering in hand. All such persons expect it, as a tribute due to their character, deeming themselves affronted, and even defrauded, when this compliment is omitted. Even in familiar visits, among inferior people, you seldom observe them coming without bringing some flower, or orange, or other token of respect to the person visited.' The Turks, in this respect, keep up the ancient Oriental custom hinted at here, which is to be understood in conformity to this usage, as denoting a token of respect, and not a price of divination. Presents are considered essential to humane and civil intercourse in the East; whether they consist of dates or of diamonds, they form so customary a part of Eastern manners, that without them an inferior will never be at peace in his own mind, or think that he has hold of his superior for protection. 24. *Took up the shoulder.* The shoulder of a lamb is esteemed a peculiar delicacy in the East. Josephus says, that it was called the royal portion. It is there eaten covered with butter and milk. The sacred historian perhaps alludes to this when he mentions "that which was upon it:" an expression which an European reader may well be at a loss to understand. 26. *Top of the house, saying, Up, that I may send thee away.* It has ever been customary with the Eastern people, and considered 'equally connected with health and pleasure to pass the night in summer upon the housetops, which, for this very purpose, are made flat, and divided from each other by walls. We found this way of sleeping extremely agreeable: as we thereby enjoyed the cool air above the reach of gnats and vapours, without any other covering than the canopy of the heavens, which unavoidably presents itself in different pleasing forms, upon every interruption of rest, when silence and solitude strongly dispose the mind to contemplation.' —Wood's Baalbec, Introduction. 'As we rode out at a very early hour, we perceived on the tops of the houses people either still in bed, or just getting up, and certainly no sight was ever stranger. The women appeared to be always up first, whilst the men were often seen lounging in bed long after the sun was risen.'—Morier.

Ch. XIV.—25. *There was honey upon the ground.* Which dropped from the hollow trees or clefts of the rocks, where bees make their combs in that country, as they do sometimes on the ground. Wild honey was so copious there, and flowed so plentifully, that it gave occasion to the hyperbolical expression in the book of Job (ch. xx. 17), of brooks, or torrents, of honey and butter. Where wild bees are abundant, they form their combs in any convenient place that offers, particularly in the cavities, or even on the branches of trees; nor are they so nice as is commonly supposed, in the choice of situations. In India particularly, and in the Indian islands, the forests often swarm with bees. 'The forests,' says Mr. Roberts, 'literally flow with honey; large combs may be seen hanging on the trees, as you pass along, full of honey.'

Ch. XVIII.—4. *Stripped himself of the robe, &c.* He did this, that his singular affection to David might be known to all, and that they might appear more closely united into one. This was a customary method of testifying affection. We read, in Tavernier, of a nasar, whose virtue and behaviour so pleased a king of Persia, after being put to the test, that he caused himself to be disappareiled, and gave his habit to the nasar, which is the greatest honour that a king of

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Persia can bestow on a subject. The giving a girdle, in particular, was deemed a token of the greatest confidence and affection; in some cases it was considered an act of adoption. In regard to the sword and the bow, it has been customary, in all countries, to make such military presents as these to brave adventurers, of which instances occur in Greek and Roman writers.

Ch. XXII.—1. *Cave.* Some caves are exceedingly large. Pococke saw one in which 30,000 men once retired to escape bad air. *Adullam:* a city in the tribe of Judah, not far from Bethlehem, eight miles southwest of Jerusalem.

Ch. XXIII.—14. *Wilderness of Ziph.* In the south of Judah, not far from Carmel. 25. *Wilderness of Maon.* A mountainous district, in the most southern parts of Judah.

Ch. XXVI.—11. *Spear—bolster—cruse.* In this way do all Eastern travellers sleep at this day. The bolster is round, about 18 inches in diameter, and 20 long. In travelling it is carried, rolled up in the mat on which the owner sleeps. It is usual, in Arab camps, for every man to have his lance stuck in the ground beside him, that he may be ready for action at a moment's The cruse of water resembled, in some measure, the canteens of our soldiers. 20. *Hunt a partridge.* It is worthy of remark that partridges, especially those of the East, being set up several times, soon become so weary as not to be able to fly, and may be at last knocked down with a club. So the Arabs hunt them.

II. SAMUEL.

Ch. III.—31. *Gird you with sackcloth.* Sacks are usually made of hair in the East, whence we may understand, that where sackcloth is mentioned, haircloth is intended. Hence the idea is different from that which we, whose sacks are not of the same material, affix to the term. That this is correct seems to be confirmed by the fact, that the use of haircloth, as a penitential dress, was retained by the early Oriental monks, hermits, and pilgrims, and was adopted by the Roman church, which still retains it for the same purposes. Haircloth was, moreover, called 'sackcloth' by the early Greek and Latin Fathers.—Pictorial Bible.

Ch. V.—13. *And David took him more concubines and wives.* It was customary for kings to multiply wives, and to strengthen their interests by many alliances; and to this David very improperly conformed.

Ch. X.—4. *Shaved off the one half of their beards.* This was one of the highest indignities that the malice of man could invent in those countries, where all people thought their hair the greatest ornament: inasmuch that they never shaved their heads or their beards, except in case of mourning, and even in that case it was forbidden to the Israelites. (Lev. xix. 27; Deut. xiv. 1.) To see the Ammonites had caused one half of their beards to be shaven, they abhorred to see the other, which made them look ridiculous. It was one of the most infamous punishments of cowardice in Sparta, that those who turned their backs in the day of battle were obliged to appear abroad with one half of their beards shaved, and the other half unshaved. It is still a great mark of infamy among the Arabs to cut off the beard. Many people would prefer death to this kind of treatment. As they would think it a grievous punishment to lose the beard, they carry things so far as to beg for the sake of it, as, 'By your beard;' 'God preserve your blessed beard:' and when they would express the value of anything, they say, 'It is worth more than his beard.' *Cut off their garments.* The Hebrews, like other Eastern nations, wore long flowing garments, so that scarcely anything could be conceived more disgraceful, than the cutting off their clothes and thus exposing their persons.

Ch. XI.—1. *Rabbah.* The capital city of the Ammonites. (See note and cut end of Num.) 2. *In an evening tide that David arose from off his bed.* He had been taking his afternoon rest. Commentators consider this as a proof of his idleness; but it is not so. In the East, no one abstains from repose during the heat of the day, except those whose imperative necessity constrains to forego the indulgence. During this time, the streets are nearly forsaken, the bustle of business is suspended, and an Oriental town has much of that sort of stillness which we observe in our towns on the Lord's day, during the hours of divine worship. Judging from our own sensations in very warm climates, we should conclude that there is more necessity for such repose than the inhabitants of cool climates can readily perceive. It is also to be recollected that the Orientals rise at day-break, which consorts with the heat of the climate to make repose a want in the afternoon.—Kitto. *He saw a woman washing herself.* The Persian ladies regard the bath as their place of greatest amusement; they make appointments to meet there, and often pass seven or eight hours together in the carpeted saloon, relating anecdotes, eating sweetmeats, sharing the kalioons, (a kind of pipes) and completing in their beautiful forms, the fancied perfections of the East. The summer bath seemed to comprise every thing of seclusion, elegance, and that luxurious enjoyment which has too often been the chief occupation of some Asiatic princes. This bath, saloon, or court, is circular, with a vast circular basin in its centre (of pure white marble, sixty or seventy feet in diameter) filled with the clearest water, sparkling in the sun, for its only canopy is the vault of heaven; but rose trees, with other pendant shrubs, bearing flowers, cluster near it. Round the sides of the court are two ranges, one above another, of little chambers, looking towards the bath, and furnished with every refinement of the harem. In this delightful recess, the waters flow through the basin by a constant spring, thus renewing the vigour of the body by their refreshing coolness, and exhilarating and refreshing the air. In such a bathcourt, probably, Bathsheba was seen by David, as he was walking at eventide on the roof of his palace; he might undesignedly have strolled far enough to overlook the anderoon of his women, where the beautiful wife of Uriah, visiting the royal wives, might have joined them, as was often the custom of those countries, in the delights of the bath. 8. *Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet.* In those countries, where it was not the custom to wear shoes, but sandals, and sometimes to go barefoot, to wash the feet was the greatest refreshment after a journey. The same was usually done before they sat down to meat.

Ch. XII.—4. *Came a traveller.* So now in the East, at least among the Arabs. 'A food passenger could make his way at little or no expense, as travellers and wayfarers of every description halt at the sheikh's dwelling, where, whatever may be the rank or condition of the stranger, before any questions are asked him, coffee is served to him from a large pot always on the fire, and a meal of bread, milk, oil, honey, or butter, is set before him; for which no payment is ever demanded or expected by the host.' Every sheikh, too, feeds at least twenty persons on an average every day in the year, from his own purse, or at least as far as I could learn.'—Buckingham.

Ch. XV.—23. *The brook Kidron.* This brook flows through the valley which lies between Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives on the east. It discharges itself into the Dead Sea, and like most of the other streams of Palestine, is a mere winter torrent, having a considerable current during the rainy season, but being usually quite dry for nine months of the year. Its bed is very narrow and rather deep, and is now crossed by a bridge of one arch. 30. *Mount Olivet.* (See note and cut at the end of Luke.) *Head covered—barefoot.* Covering the head was used by persons in great distress, or when they were loaded with disgrace and infamy, (chap. xix. 4; Esther vi. 12; Ezek. xii. 6.) To walk 'barefoot,' was also an indication of great distress. In ancient times, the heads of high and wealthy persons were made of very rich materials, and ornamented with jewels, gold, and silver. When any great calamity befell them, either public or private, they not only stripped themselves of these ornaments, but of their very shoes and walked barefoot.

Ch. XVII.—18. *Had a well in his court; whither they went down.* This may have been either a proper well at that time dry, or a cistern for the preservation of rain-water, which them happened to be exhausted. The water in common cisterns is often out before the end of summer, and wells also become dry in the same season. Some wells remain dry permanently, and cisterns can of course be kept dry when once exhausted. Hence there are in the East great numbers of dry cisterns and wells, which furnish occasional retreats to such as require concealment.

Ch. XX.—22. *They cut off the head of Sheba—and cast it out to Joab.* It is a very common course in the East when an obnoxious person, who has taken refuge in a town, palace, or a fortress, is demanded by an army or an enraged populace, for the inhabitants to consult their own safety, by sacrificing the offender. How many instances occur in Turkish history, of the heads of high functionaries being reluctantly thrown out from the seraglio at Constantinople, to pacify the enraged Janissaries.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO I AND II KINGS.

I KINGS.

Ch. I.—35. *That he may come and sit upon my throne.* The ancient and modern customs of the East, and indeed of the West, afford many instances of kings endeavouring to secure the throne to the successor, by causing him to be publicly recognized in his own lifetime. It was a regular practice for ancient monarchs of Persia, to have the heir solemnly acknowledged when they went on any dangerous expeditions. On the same principle, the late king of Persia presented his second son to his court as the future king; nor was the required homage refused by any, except the eldest son, who, even on that solemn occasion, alleged his claim to the rights of the first-born, and his determination to refer the result to the decision of the sword.

Ch. II.—19. *She sat on his right hand.* The highest mark of dignity which the Eastern monarchs conferred on the person whom they esteemed and favoured most, was placing him on occasions of solemnity at their right hand; the second in honour was next to the royal person on the other side, and the rest of the court succeeded in the same order.

Ch. IV.—21. *From the river unto the land of the Philistines.* The boundaries of Solomon's kingdom were, the Euphrates to the east—this river being here, as in other places of Scripture, called *the river* by way of eminence, without any addition—the country of the Philistines, which bordered on the Mediterranean sea, to the west; and Egypt to the south: so that he had tributary to him the kingdoms of Syria, Damascus, Moab, and Ammon, which lay between the Euphrates and the Mediterranean sea. **22.** *Threescore measures of meal.* By meal is meant a coarser sort of flour for inferior servants,—the measure here spoken of contained about ten ephahs, each ephah being about equal to a bushel of our measure. It is computed that there was bread enough provided for 3,000 persons. **30.** *All the children of the east country.* There were three nations east of Canaan, which were renowned for wisdom and erudition. The Chaldeans beyond the Euphrates, the Persians beyond the Tigris, and the Arabians on the nearer side of the Euphrates, a little towards the south.

Ch. V.—9. *Floats.* They conveyed the timber from the high part of the mountains to the river Adonis or the plain of Biblos, the pieces being bound together in floating rafts. In exactly the same way, timber is now carried in all parts of the East. They usually cut down before the rainy season, all the branches are lopped off and the trunks are squared on the top. Notches are then made in the logs, and they are tied together by ropes, made of green withes gathered in the forests. If, however, the waters of the rainy season should not reach the spot where they are felled, they are dragged singly to the place where it is known that in the wet monsoon they will float. Then, in the harbour, may be seen immense collections of the finest timber, tied down to the stream, and thence to the ocean, and thus brought 'by sea in floats.'

Ch. IX.—18. *Tadmor.* Josephus says, Solomon, making an incursion into the desert, possessed himself of it, and (as in this place only water was to be had) there built a very great city, which he encompassed with strong walls, and gave it the name of Thadamora, by which the Syrians called it in his day. He states, that it is one day's journey from the Euphrates, two from Upper Syria, and six from Babylon. Probably Solomon built it to facilitate his commerce with the East. Alexander conquered it, and changed its name to Palmyra. Its intermediate position, between Mesopotamia and Syria, made it an excellent place of interchange for the commerce of the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean. The protection of its deserts for a long while secured its independence, and enabled it to maintain a friendly intercourse with each of the neighbouring and rival empires. It submitted to the Romans, in A.D. 13), and continued in alliance with them nearly 150 years. Its magnificence and prosperity under its queen Zenobia, and utter subversion by Aurelian (who took her prisoner), A. D. 273, are related by Roman historians. Its advantageous position soon restored its prosperity: it was, however, sacked a second time by the Saracens, after which it gradually sunk to an obscure town, and trifling fortress. Burckhardt gives it 1000 inhabitants. It is scarcely possible to conceive anything more magnificent than the view of its ruins, when they burst upon the eye, as seen from the Valley of the Tombs. On which side soever we look, the earth is strewed with vast stones, half-buried, with broken entablatures, mutilated friezes, disfigured reliefs, effaced sculptures, violated tombs, and altars defiled by the dust.

Ch. X.—11. *Almug trees.* It is not well ascertained what description of tree is meant by this name. The Latin translators call it thynewood. Respecting which Theophrastus says, 'that the thyon or thya tree grows near the temple of Jupiter Ammon in Africa; that it resembles the cypress tree in its boughs, leaves, stalks, and fruits; and that its wood never rots.' It was in high esteem among the heathen, who frequently made of this wood the doors of their temples, and the images of their gods.

Ch. XVI.—24. *Samaria.* The situation of Samaria is extremely beautiful and strong by nature, more so than even Jerusalem. It stands on a fine large insulated hill, compassed all round by a broad deep valley, and when fortified, as it is stated to have been by Herod, one would have imagined that, in the ancient system of warfare, nothing but famine could have reduced such a place. The valley is surrounded by four hills, one on each side, which are cultivated in terraces up to the top, sown with grain and planted with fig and olive trees, as is also the valley. The hill of Samaria likewise rises in terraces to a height equal to any of the adjoining mountains.

Ch. XVIII.—27. *He is a god: either he is talking, or he is pursuing, &c.* Vishnoo sleeps four months in the year; and to each of the gods some particular business is assigned. Varoon manages the winds; Varoonah the waters, &c. According to a number of fables in the puranas, the gods are often out on journeys or expeditions.—Ward's View of the Hindoos. **28.** *Cut themselves.* This has been, and is, no uncommon act in the East, under the excitement of grief, love, or devotion. The general idea of the act is, that, as a testimony of properly excited feeling, it is an act acceptable to gods and men; and, therefore, although in different countries we read of the self-inflicted tortures which deliberate devotees rejoice to undergo, we never read of cutting after this fashion but as an act of excitement. **44.** *Like a man's hand.* Great storms in the East are wont to begin with a small cloud of this description, and it is particularly a sign of them at sea.—Sir J. Chardin.

Ch. XX.—34. *Streets—in Damascus.* In the East persons of different religions and nations do not live indiscriminately where they please; but each denomination occupies its own particular quarter of the town—its street or streets. At this day the Jews have their distinct streets in Damascus, and in every other considerable town of Western Asia. It is not at all likely that this was allowed when Syria and Israel were neighbouring nations, in every respect adverse to each other; and therefore the concession in the present instance, without any equivalent on the part of Israel, is offered and received as a privilege extorted by circumstances. It no doubt included the concession, that the Jews, in the quarter assigned them in Damascus, should have the free exercise of their religion and be subject to their own magistrates.

II KINGS.

Ch. I.—2. *Fell down through a lattice.* This, probably, means that Ahaziah fell from the roof of the house into the interior court of the garden. He was perhaps leaning against the slight fence or battlement, when it gave way under him. Such accidents occasionally happened in the East. **6.** *Thou shalt not come down from that bed.* From this it is clear that Ahaziah did not sleep on the floor, as people of high consideration often do in the East. It appears that he lay on the raised divan. (See note Deut. iii. 11.)

Ch. III.—11. *Poured water on the hands of Elijah.* Mr. Hanway, speaking of a Persian supper, says, 'supper being now brought in, a servant presented a basin of water, and a napkin hung over his shoulders; he

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went to every one in the company, and poured water on their hands to wash.'



Ch. IV.—10. *A little chamber.* To most houses in the East there is a smaller one annexed, which usually rises one story higher than the principal dwelling; sometimes it consists of one or two rooms only and a terrace, while others that are built (as they frequently are) over the porch or gateway, have (if we except the ground floor) all the conveniences that belong to the house, properly so called. There is a door of communication from them into the gallery of the house, kept open or shut at the discretion of the master of the family; besides another door which opens immediately from a private staircase, down into the porch or street, without giving the least disturbance to the house. These backhouses are known by the name of olee, or oleah, (for the house, properly so called, is dar, or beet,) and in them strangers are usually lodged and entertained. *A bed.* The beds of the Hebrews were nothing more than couches without curtains; except, indeed, they had light coverings, which the Greeks called canopies, because they served to keep off the gnats.—Henry. *And a stool.* (See note and cut end of Judges.) 19. *My head, my head!* This was, doubtless, what was called 'a stroke of the sun.' Mr. Madden, who speaks of it as a medical man, witnessed instances of it in the desert between Palestine and Egypt, two of which terminated fatally within forty-eight hours. 23. *New moon nor sabbath.* It is probable that in these days they were accustomed to go to the prophets for instruction; and in Arabia, to this day, it is customary to begin their journeys at the new moon. 29. *If thou meet any man, salute him not; &c.* This command to salute no one, naturally calls to mind that which Jesus gave to the seventy disciples, (Luke x. 4), "salute no one by the way." It is explained by the custom of the East. Serious and taciturn as the natives of the East usually are, they grow talkative when they meet an acquaintance, and salute him. This custom has come from Asia with the Arabs, and spread over the north coast of Africa. A modern traveller relates the reciprocal salutations with which those are received who return with the caravans. 'People go a great way to meet them; as soon as they are perceived, the questioning and salutations begin and continue with the repetition of the same phrases. How do you do? God be praised that you are come in peace! God give you peace! How fares it with you? The higher the rank of the person returning home, the longer does the salutation last.' 38. *A wild vine.* The coloquintidos, the fruit of the wild vine, belongs to the gourd, whose fruit and leaves are very much like those of the vine, whence it might take the name of wild, is probably here referred to. The fruit, when ripe, is so full of wind, that it bursts and throws its liquor and seeds to a great distance. If it is touched before it breaks of itself, as soon as it feels the warmth of the hand, it flies open with an explosion, and discharges its fetid contents in the face of him that touches it. The fruit is so excessively bitter as not to be eatable; and it either was, or was reckoned to be, poisonous.

Ch. VI.—23. *Doves' dung.* The Arabs give the name of 'doves' dung' to a kind of moss that grows on trees and stony ground, and also to a sort of pulse or pea which appears to have been very common in Judea, and which may be the article here indicated. Large quantities of it are parched and dried, and stored in magazines at Cairo and Damascus. It is much used during journeys, and particularly by the great pilgrim caravan to Mecca; and if the conjecture be correct, it may be supposed to have been among the provisions stored up in the besieged city, and sold at the extravagant price mentioned in the text. It is clear, that if doves' dung be really intended it could not be used as an article of food.

Ch. IX.—2. *An inner chamber.* This is often mentioned, and appears to indicate a method of arrangement common to the Israelites and Egyptians. Wilkinson describes it from the Egyptian monuments. A long hall fills one side of the court, its entrance is at one end, a partition divides it, and forms a room at the further end, which is only entered from the first chamber. This room is called the inner chamber.

Ch. X.—8. *Heads—in two heaps at the entering in of the gate.* Morier, speaking of a battle between the Russian and Persian armies, says, 'During this fight ten tomaans were given for every head of the enemy that was brought to the prince (of Persia); and it has been known to occur, after the combat was over, that the prisoners have been put to death, in order that the heads, which are immediately dispatched to the king, and deposited in heaps at the palace-gate, might make a more considerable show. Such barbarities make us shudder in England, but they only tend to show how little the manners of Asia have changed since the remotest times.'

Ch. XII.—10. *Put up in bags.* It is curious that a bag of money, sealed up by a banker's seal, now often passes current in the East without opening it. Among the tribute brought from different nations to the Egyptian kings, are seen bags of pearls, or gold and silver money; this money was in rings, the most ancient coin.—Wilkinson.

Ch. XIV.—9. *Thistle—cedar.* Roberts has a curious note here. He says, 'The Orientals still speak of their rulers under the similitude of different trees. Some men are always known by the name of certain trees. Thus a person who is tall and stoops a little is called the cocoa-nut tree, and he who has long legs and arms, the banyan, which spreads its arms and fixes its supporters to the ground. It is therefore not very improbable, that Jehoash was known by the name of the cedar, and Amasiah by that of the thistle.'

Ch. XVII.—30. *Nergal.* An idol represented by the figure of a cock, which was sacred to Apollo, or the sun, because 'he doth, as it were, invite his influence, and, with songs, congratulate his rising.' 31. *Tartak.* The idol of the Avites. The Jews have a tradition that it was emblematically represented by an ass. *Nibhaz.* The rabbins say, it had the shape of a dog, much like Anubis of the Egyptians.

Ch. XIX.—35. *The angel of the Lord went out, and smote.* The instrument of vengeance was probably the blast, or hot pestilential south wind, blowing from the deserts of Libya, called the simoon. Bruce says, 'This hot wind is generally preceded by an extreme redness in the air, and usually leaves from the southward or from the south a little to the east. It appears in the form of a haze, in colour like the purple part of a rainbow, but not so compressed or thick: it was a kind of blush upon the air. The guide warned the company upon its approach to fall upon their faces, with their mouths close to the ground, and to hold their breath as long as they could, to avoid inhaling the outward air. It moved very rapidly about twenty yards in breadth, and about twelve feet high from the ground; so that,' says Bruce, 'I had scarcely time to turn about, and fall upon the earth with my head to the northward, when I felt the heat of the current plainly upon my face. We all fell upon our faces until the simoon passed on with a gentle ruffling wind. When the meteor of Scripture haste had passed, it was succeeded by a light air, which still blew so hot as to threaten suffocation, which sometimes lasted three hours, and left the company totally enervated and exhausted, labouring under asthmatic sensations, weakness of stomach, and violent headaches, from imbibing the poisonous vapour.'

Ch. XXIII.—10. *Topheth—in the valley of—Hinnom.* The valley of the children of Hinnom was a pleasant place nigh Jerusalem, dedicated to the idol Moloch, where they used to make their children pass through the fire. The spot where this was done was called Topheth, signifying tympanum, a tabor, or kind of drum, because the priests of that idol played upon tabors at the time of sacrificing, that so the children's cries and shrieks might not be heard.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO I. AND II. CHRONICLES.

I. CHRONICLES.

Ch. XII.—40. *Brought bread—on oxen.* We see from this that oxen were used as beasts of burden. The form of back in these animals does not seem to adapt them to this kind of service; but it is one which, in the East, they are still often required to perform; and they do it well, although in their usual deliberate and quiet way. In the Greek writers there are intimations of the same use of oxen. At present, in different parts of Asia, they are more or less employed for riding, for burden, and for draught. In Western Asia we have frequently seen them ridden by women, children, and old or infirm people of the poorer (but not absolutely the poorest) classes, in removals and journeys to a town or village distant from their own. They are also employed for draught perhaps more than any other animals in Asia.

Ch. XIV.—9. *The valley of Rephaim.* This valley has precisely the same general character as the valley of Hinnom, which is straight, pleasant, planted with groves, and watered with fountains. It is, in fact, merely a continuation northward of the same ravine. It, however, decreases in depth as it reaches northward, ascending towards the plain to the north of Jerusalem. The sepulchral excavations are also continued part of the way up this valley, on the side opposite Zion. Mount Zion is not walled, but the modern town is so; and hence, to the north of Zion, the western wall of Jerusalem runs along the edge of the cliff, on the town side of the valley, as the eastern wall does towards the valley of Jehoshaphat. The cliffs are, however, higher on this, the western, than on the eastern side of the town, as its site has a considerable slope from west to east. In the western valley the cliffs, on the side opposite the town, are scarcely higher than the cliffs on the town side in the valley of Hinnom. Mount Zion is actually higher than the cliff on the opposite side of the valley. But on the east, partly from the depression of the site of the town in that quarter the Mount of Olives overlooks the whole city.

Ch. XXI.—23. *And the threshing instruments for wood.* That is, to burn the sacrifice of the oxen. The threshing instrument used in the East is not like a flail, but is a sledge drawn by two oxen, and driven by a man seated in a chair fixed on the sledge. Such instruments as these might serve to accomplish the purpose of consuming the sacrifice, which our flails could not have done, unless they were used in a very great number.—Taylor.



Ch. XXVII.—28. *Over the cellars of oil.* Dr. Chandler says, that the modern Greeks keep their oil in large earthern jars sunk in the ground, in the areas before their houses. This custom, it may be thought from this passage, obtained among the Jews. It is certain, from Jer. xli. 8, that they buried it sometimes in the earth, in times of danger, for the purpose of concealment. 30. *Over the camels.* Camels are of two sorts, the Bactrian, with two humps, and the dromedary, with one. They have always been numbered with the wealth of the Arabians. They are well known as beasts of burden, patient and unwearied in journeying through the sandy deserts; enduring hunger, thirst, fatigue, and living on hard fare. The native country of the genus camel is said to extend from Mauritania to China, within a zone of 900 or 1000 miles in breadth. The common camel, with two humps, is found only in the north part of this region, and, exclusively, from the ancient Bactria (Turkestan) to China. The dromedary, or single hump camel, is found throughout the entire length of this zone, on its southern side, as far as Africa and India; it cannot, like the camel, support all vicissitudes of climate. Camels, used for speed alone, can travel 60 to 80 miles a day. Some have been known, it is said, to travel 150 to 200 miles in twenty-four hours. They can travel nine or ten days with one hour's rest daily, and be fed with one ball of paste, carrying their own and their rider's food and water.



II. CHRONICLES.

Ch. I.—16. *Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt.* Solomon not only obtained from Egypt horses for himself, but, it appears from the passage now before us, that he established a very profitable monopoly of the trade in Egyptian horses. The situation of his dominions rendered the establishment, and the maintenance of his monopoly very easy. When his southern frontier extended from the Mediterranean to the Euphrates, and touched immediately at the Red sea, it was impossible for Syria or Phœnicia to receive horses from Egypt, by land, without passage through his territories. He had only to forbid horses to be taken, for sale, through his dominions, in order to bring the whole trade into his own hands. The Syrians and Phœnicians, rather than be without horses, would necessarily take them, at almost any price, from his factors, or merchants.

Ch. IX.—17, 18. *Made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.* Morier says, that the throne upon which the king of Persia sat was ascended by *steps*, upon which were painted dragons. It was surrounded by a balustrade, and the whole of it, which was overlaid with fine gold, beautifully enamelled, we were told cost 100,000 tomauns. This very much resembles the description here given of Solomon's throne.

Ch. XXIV.—25. *The sepulchres of the kings.* These sepulchres were, doubtless, excavations in the rock; and as such sepulchres are, in the ordinary course of things, imperishable, it is but reasonable to suppose that they may still be found in some of the numerous and remarkable sepulchral excavations, which engage the attention of those who visit Jerusalem. The excavation, or rather series of excavations, which are now indicated to travellers as the tombs of the Hebrew kings, occur about a mile to the north-west of the present city. They have been noticed by most travellers.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO EZRA.

Ch. II.—63. *The Tirshatha.* This was the title of Zerubbabel in the Persian language, signifying governor or judge; though some think it the same as cupbearer.

Ch. III.—13. *Noise of the weeping.* With us weeping is silent, except among children, but in the East tears are very rarely unattended with lamenting cries, and grief is often expressed by the latter only; the loud lamentations, rather than the tears, being considered the proper expression of grief.

Ch. IV.—6. *In the reign of Ahasuerus.* This Ahasuerus is known in profane history by the name of Cambyses: he began to reign B.C. 529. The name Ahasuerus seems rather to have been a title common to several kings of Media and Persia, than a proper name of any of them. It is evidently compounded of two Persick words, which signify the great chief or prince.—Dr. Jennings.

Ch. VI.—2. *Achmetha.* This is generally conceived to be the same as the Ecbatana of the heathen writers, which is on very good grounds identified with the Hamadan of the present day. Ecbatana was the summer capital of the sovereigns of the Persian empire from the time of Cyrus, while the winter metropolis was Susa. The intense heat of summer in the plain of the Tigris, in which Susa was situated, and the very mild character of the winter, rendered a residence in it as inconvenient in the one season as desirable in the other; while on the other hand, the elevated site of Ecbatana gave so much mildness to its summer heat, and severity to its winter cold, that it enjoyed a mild climate when that of Susa was most oppressive, and a severe climate when that of Susa was mild.—Kitto. (See note and cut end of Esth.)

Ch. VIII.—22. *I was ashamed to require of the king a band, &c.* Their journey lay chiefly through the desert; and, as they were encumbered with families and possessions, they could make but slow progress and a feeble defence in case of an assault. They carried large treasures with them, which would invite the attempts of the Arabian free-booters, and others who infested that neighbourhood. (26, 27.) In ordinary cases, it would have been very proper to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen for their defence, which no doubt would have been readily granted. But Ezra, wishing to impress Artaxerxes with a proper sense of the power and perfections of Jehovah, and being afraid lest the king should not at once understand the distinction between using means and confiding in them, determined to travel without a guard, except that of the Almighty.

Ch. IX.—8. *A nail in his holy place.* They do not drive with a hammer the nails or pegs that are placed in Eastern walls, but they fit them with the brick work as they are building. They are usually large, with square heads, like dice, well made, the ends being bent so as to make them cramp-irons.—Chardin.

Ch. X.—9. *Trembling—for the great rain.* On court days in Hindostan, during a wet monsoon, the half-naked people sit huddled together under the nearest tree, trembling or shivering for the great rain.—Roberts.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO NEHEMIAH.

Ch. II.—7. *Let letters be given me.* Roberts says, 'Persons of any rank (in India) always take letters with them in travelling, a duplicate of which is forwarded to the different chiefs of the districts through which they have to pass. Without these, much inconvenience is sustained in obtaining supplies.' It is also quite customary, and necessary now, for the same reason, to have a government janissary, or guard, (v. 9) when travelling through the same region Nehemiah passed through, and other parts of the ill-governed East.

Ch. V.—13. *I shook my lap.* That is, he made use of the common ceremony of ruffling and shaking the lap of the garment, in expressing any sort of detestation. 14. *I and my brethren have not eaten the bread of the governor.* Nehemiah did not eat that bread which properly belonged to him as a governor. When the Orientals say they eat the rice of a person, it denotes that they are under obligations to him.

Ch. VI.—5. *With an open letter in his hand.* It appears from Norden that it is customary in modern times in those countries to send letters to common people open: but it is not according to their usage to send them so to persons of distinction. Bishop Pococke gives us in one of his plates, the figure of a Turkish letter, put into a satin bag to be sent to a great man, with a paper tied to it directed and sealed, and an ivory button tied on the wax. Sometimes the bags used for this are very costly. Nehemiah, being a person of distinction in the Persian court, and then governor of Judea, had reason to expect this ceremony from Sanballat; and the omission of it was perhaps the greater insult, as insinuating, that though Nehemiah was, according to him, preparing to assume the royal dignity, he should be so far from acknowledging him in that character, that he would not even pay him the compliment due to every person of distinction. Sir John Chardin gives a like account of the Eastern letters.—Scripture Illustrations.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO ESTHER.

Ch. I.—6. *Upon a pavement of red and blue.* Dr. Russell says, that they pave their courts, at Aleppo, with marble, and oftentimes with a mixture of yellow and white, red and black, by way of ornament. In the middle of the court there is very commonly a fountain, and a kind of little garden about it, which in that climate must be peculiarly agreeable. 9. *A feast for the women.* The women do not eat with the men in the Eastern feasts; it is, however, usual for them to feast at the same time by themselves. Thus Maillet, after having given an account of the extraordinary feasting at the castle of Grand Cairo, upon the circumcision of the son of the bashaw of Egypt, tells us, that he was assured that the expense which was incurred at the same time, in the apartments of the women of the bashaw, was not much less considerable than what appeared in public: there being there the same abundance and magnificence that appeared out of those apartments.—Harmer.

Ch. III.—7. *They cast Pur, that is, the lot.* It was the superstitious manner of the Eastern countries to enquire by casting lots, what time would be fortunate, or unfortunate, for the execution of any considerable design. Accordingly Haman gathered together his magicians, and lots were cast before him: and it being first enquired what month would be most favourable, by their rules of divination they supposed that the month Adar, the last month of the year, would be such; and, afterward, by the same rules, the thirteenth day of the same month was chosen for Haman's purpose. 13. *The letters were sent by posts.* 'Cyrus originally established couriers, places for post-horses, on all the high roads, and offices, where they might deliver their packets to each other. This they did, night and day, faster than cranes could fly.'—Xenophon.

Ch. V.—6. *He was full of indignation against Mordecai.* This is indeed a graphic sketch of Eastern manners. The colours are so lively, and so fresh, that they might have been but the work of yesterday. See the native gentleman at the head of his courtly train; he moves along in pompous guise, and all who see him arise from their seats, take off their sandals, and humbly move in reverence to him. To some he gives a graceful wave of the hand: to others not a word nor a look. Should there be one who neither stands up, nor moves to him, his name and place of abode will be enquired after, and the first opportunity eagerly embraced to glut his revenge.—Roberts.

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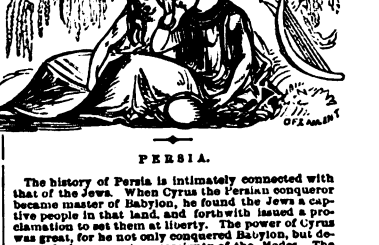
BIBLE ANTIQUITIES.

ISRAEL.

The Jews were originally called Hebrews, from Heber one of their ancestors, and an alleged ancestor of Abraham; afterwards they were called Israelites, from Israel the patriarch. And though the name Jews now commonly distinguishes the whole race, they tenaciously adhere in the East to the appellation Israelites. The ambition of Ephraim led to the defection of the ten tribes, and, on the death of Solomon, the larger territory and population took Jeroboam for their king, leaving to Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, only the portion which included Judah and Benjamin, and merged into the name of Judah. The sun of Solomon had set, and with it the splendid glory of the united people had departed. But Judah adhered to her God, while Ephraim became idolatrous. Jeroboam set up his golden calves for objects of worship, that he might the better separate the two nations; and, in process of time, Ahas established the worship of Baal, peculiar to all the heathen nations, and in abhorrence to Jehovah. Without the shield of divine protection, Israel now became a scene of wickedness and confusion, and from the throne downwards the most dreadful anarchy prevailed. Never did such a set of kings degrade any nation. Cruel usurpers, idolatory, drunkards, suicides,—such were the sovereigns of a people claiming a name which must continually reproach their inadelity and wickedness. The intestine broils of Israel were, however, overruled to preserve their less powerful neighbour from being swallowed up. Israel also owed much to the advantage of having secured the friendship of Egypt, if not actively, at least passively. When Solomon's reign was felt to be oppressive, and the people saw that the royal wealth was really sucked out of the nation's bowels, Jeroboam, being suspected of treason, fled to Shishak, the king of Egypt, and on his return, while the arms of Egypt were turned against Judah, he escaped. War with Syria weakened the Israelites, and the Moabites and Edomites shook off their tributary yoke. As both Judah and Israel were in danger from powerful foes, they at times formed an alliance, but when the danger was over they began to war with each other. Pul, sovereign of Nineveh, invaded the territory of Israel and made it tributary. His successor, Tigiath-pileser, in the reign of Pekah, carried captive the eastern and northern tribes of Israel, and Shalmaneser, having besieged and captured Samaria, terminated the kingdom B.C. 721. Notwithstanding its wickedness, and priests and Levites disappearing from Israel, it was not left without divine warning, and the most illustrious of prophets were sent to declare to the nation "the whole counsel of God."

Israel rose to splendour through Solomon, and through Solomon that splendour was lost. In him there appeared a prospect of a sovereign who would enlighten and moralize his country, and prepare it for expanding into the greatness of its promised destinies. Embracing in his youth moral wisdom as his self-chosen good, he was blessed with every temporal benefit and greatness; but his worldly happiness became his ruin. He involved in sensually pleasures, in all their forms, and he felt the effects of such unrestricted enjoyments. They weakened his mind, and debased his moral principle, and he laid the foundations of the ruin of his nation, and intercepted all its further progress, by allowing his favourite women to seduce him to establish that paganism which his people had been specially raised, and miraculously aggrandised, in order to subvert and extinguish. From that time the sun of Israel began to set. The kingdom was divided into two parts by the divine interference. There were second causes, but here were the first steps, and the gradual and ultimate progress toward ruin. So sunk the greatest commercial monarch of his age, who had no rival but the Syrians, and they were co-workers, to whom Eastern Arabia and Africa were never-failing sources of wealth; and from which, and other countries, overwhelming riches were poured into his lap. So sunk the prince, who was not only the prize of merchants, but of palaces, and who erected the far-famed temple of Jerusalem, designed for the worship of the true God, and never surpassed, or equalled, in the architecture of the greatest nations. He left behind him a lesson written on the few remains of his works, and his cities, "vanity of vanities, all is vanity."

What has become of the ten tribes of Israel is a question which many have tried to solve, but none have satisfactorily answered. They were doubtless dispersed over Assyria, Media, and other neighbouring countries. But they have been looked for in India, among the Affghans, among the aboriginal Americans, and more recently among the Nestorians under the protection of Persia. Prideaux supposed they were totally absorbed and lost in the nations among whom they settled. Judah, in which was maintained the temple worship, and out of which sprung the Messiah, after undergoing various changes, sunk under the iniquity of its later sovereigns, and was delivered into captivity to the mighty potentate of Babylon. After seventy years the captives were restored by Cyrus, and from that time the mingled tribes were called Jews. The large body of the ten tribes never returned, and still remain scattered over the Eastern countries. The sufferings of the Jews, after the restoration, belong to their more modern history. The kingdom of Israel subsisted apart from Judah 254 years, and Judah 338 from the separation of the tribes, and 134 from the ruin of Israel.



PERSIA.

The history of Persia is intimately connected with that of the Jews. When Cyrus the Persian conqueror became master of Babylon, he found the Jews a captive people in that land, and forthwith issued a proclamation to set them at liberty. The power of Cyrus was great, for he not only conquered Babylon, but destroyed the separate sovereignty of the Medes. The two people became blended, and their laws and institutions were made one; hence we read of "the law of the Medes and Persians." But an attempt to regain their independence, known by the name of the Magian conspiracy, having signally failed, they sunk into insignificance among the other vassal nations. Henceforth Persia stands prominent and continues to this day. It was the singular honour and privilege of Cyrus to be the first Gentile friend to the people of Jehovah in the time of their sorest trouble, and to restore them to the land whence light was to break forth for the illumination of all nations. To this high duty he was called by the prophet Isaiah: "Thus saith the Lord"—of Cyrus, "he is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid." A modern authority has suggested, that a nobler motive than mere political interest to assist the Jews to himself operated on the mind of Cyrus. 'The Persian religion was primitively monotheistic, and strikingly free from idolatry; so little pagan in its spirit that, whatever of the mystical and obscure it may contain, not a single impure, cruel, or otherwise immoral practice was united to one of its ceremonies. It is credible, therefore, that a sincere admiration of the Jewish faith actuated the noble Persian when he exclaimed, in the words of the book of Ezra, "Go up and build in Jerusalem—the house of the Lord God of Israel (he is God)," and forced the Babylonian temples to disgorge their ill-gotten spoil.' Impediments however, even in the reign of Cyrus, obstructed the Jews in fortifying Jerusalem, and quietly settling down in their beloved city, till the reign of Darius Hystaspes. These obstructions arose from the misrepresentations of enemies made to the immediate successors of Cyrus. Darius having ascertained the feelings of Cyrus towards the Jews, promoted the building of the temple. A further history of the Jews, in connexion with the Persians, may be easily gathered from the books of Daniel, Esther, Nehemiah, and Ezra, and as it is not intended to proceed further than the Bible History, the sketch of ancient Persia is here closed.

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The Book of JOB.[a]

Job was a real person: see Ezek. xiv. 14; Jas. v. 2. From some incidental allusions, he seems to have dwelt in Idumea, and, as he makes no mention of the worship of the Israelites, he is thought to have lived before the departure from Egypt. Many think that Moses wrote Job during his exile in Arabia.

CHAP. I.

THERE was a man in the land of Uz, whose name *was* [b] Job; and that man was [c] perfect and upright, and one that [d] feared God, and eschewed evil.

2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

3 His † substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great ‡ household; so that this man was the greatest of all the ‖ men of the east.

4 And his sons went and feasted *in their* houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.

5 And it was so, when the days of *their* feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, [e] and offered burnt offerings *according* to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and [f] cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job † continually.

6 ¶ Now there was a day [m] when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and [§] Satan came also ‖ among them.

7 And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From [n] going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou [o] considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?

9 Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?

10 Hast [p] not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? [q] thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his ‡ substance is increased in the land.

11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, [§] and he will [r] curse thee to thy face.

12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy [s] power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

13 ¶ And there was a day when his sons and his daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:

15 And the Sabeans fell *upon them*, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

16 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, [t] The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

17 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and [u] fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

18 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

19 And, behold, there came a great wind § from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

20 Then Job arose, and rent his [v] mantle, and shaved his head, and [w] fell down upon the ground, and worshipped,

21 And said, / Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD [h] gave, and the LORD hath [i] taken away; [k] blessed be the name of the LORD.

22 In all this Job sinned not, nor † charged God foolishly.

CHAP. II.

AGAIN there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; ‖ but save his life.

7 ¶ So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils [x] from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; [y] and he sat down among the ashes.

9 ¶ Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? [z] shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job [a] sin with his lips.

11 ¶ Now when Job's three [b] friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment

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[a] *Moses* is thought to have wrote the Book of *Job*, whilst among the *Midianites* B. C. 1520.

[b] *rushed.*

[c] Ezek. 14. 14. Jas. 5. 11.

[d] Gen. 6. 9. 17. 1.

[e] Ps. 111. 10. Pr. 8. 13. Ec. 7. 18. 12. 13. Ac. 10. 2.

† or, *cattle.*

‡ or, *husbandry.*

§ *from aside, &c.*

‖ *sons.*

[m] or, *robe.*

[n] 1 Pe. 5. 8.

[o] 1 Ti. 6. 7.

[p] Ge. 5. 22.

[q] Ja. 1. 17.

[r] Mat. 20. 15.

[s] Ep. 5. 20.

[t] 1 Th. 5. 18.

[u] 1 Ki. 21. 10. 13.

† or, *attributed folly to God.*

‡ *all the days*

[m] 1 Ki. 22. 19.

§ *the adversary.*

1 Ch. 21. 1. Re. 12. 9, 10.

‖ *in the midst of them.*

[n] 1 Pe. 5. 8.

[o] *set thy heart on.*

[p] Is. 5. 2.

† *to swallow him up.*

[q] Pr. 10. 22.

‡ or, *cattle.*

§ *if he curse thee not.*

[r] Mal. 3. 13, 14

‖ or, *only.*

[s] *hand.* Ge. 16. 6.

[t] Is. 1. 6.

[u] ch. 42. 6. 2 Sa. 12. 19. Esth. 27. 20. Mat. 11. 21.

[v] ch. 1. 21. Ro. 12. 12. Ja. 5 10, 11.

[w] Ps. 29. 1.

† or, *A great fire.*

[x] Pr. 17. 17.

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together to come [a] to mourn with him and to comfort him.

12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and [a] sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

13 So they sat down with him upon the ground [d] seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that *his* grief was very great.

CHAP. III.

AFTER this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Job [§] spake, and said,

3 Let [f] the day perish wherein I was born, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man child conceived.

4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.

5 Let darkness and [f] the shadow of death [•] stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; [†] let the blackness of the day terrify it.

6 *As for* that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.

7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, [h] who are ready to raise up their mourning.

9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but *have* none; neither let it see [‡] the dawning of the day:

10 Because it shut not up the doors of my *mother's* womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the womb? *why* did I *not* give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?

12 Why [m] did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?

13 For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselves;

15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:

16 Or [p] as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants *which* never saw light.

17 There the wicked cease *from* troubling; and there the [†] weary be at rest.

18 *There* the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the oppressor.

19 The small and great are there; and the servant *is* free from his master.

20 Wherefore [‖] is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the [•] bitter in soul;

21 Which [‖] long [f] for death, but it *cometh* not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures;

22 Which rejoice exceedingly, *and* are glad, when they can find the grave?

23 *Why is light given* to a man whose way is hid, [x] and whom God hath hedged in?

24 For my sighing cometh before [•] I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25 For [‡] the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came.

CHAP. IV.

THEN Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

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[a] Ro. 12. 15.
[a] *a word.*
[†] *refrain from words?*
[b] Is. 35. 3.
[c] Ne. 9. 1. La. 2. 10.
[‡] *bowing.*
Ho. 13. 12.
[d] Ge. 50. 10.
[e] Pr. 5. 26.
[f] Ps. 37. 35.
[§] *answered.*
[g] Je. 15. 10. 20. 14.
A Ga. 6. 7, 8.
[‖] L. c. *by his anger.* 2 Th. 2. 8.
[i] Je. 13. 16. Am. 5. 8.
[•] or, *challenge it.*
[†] or, *let them terrify it, as those who have a bitter day.* Am. 8. 10.
[‡] or, *rejoice among the days.*
[§] *by stealth.*
[k] Jo. 9. 17, 18.
[‖] or, *a leviathan.*
[•] *met me.*
[l] Hab. 3. 16.
[•] *the multitude of.*
[‡] *the eyelids of the morning,* ch. 41. 18.
[§] or, *I heard a still voice.*
[m] Ge. 30. 3. Is. 66. 12.
[n] 2 Pe. 2. 4.
[‖] or, *nor in his angels,* in whom *he put light.*
[•] 2 Co. 5. 1.
[•] *beaten in pieces.*
[p] Ps. 58 8.
[†] *wearied* in *strength.*
[‡] or, *look.*
[§] or, *indignation.*
[r] Je. 20. 18.
[s] 2 Ki. 4. 27. Pr. 31. 6.
[‖] *wait.*
[t] Ro. 9. 6. La. 3. 7.
[•] *my meat.*
[†] or, *iniquity.*
[‡] *I feared a fear, and it came upon me.*
[•] 1 Co. 10. 13.
[§] or, *labour.*
[‖] *the sons of the burning coal lift up to fly.*
[x] Ho. 11. 33.
[•] *there is no search.*
[†] *till there be no.*
[‡] *out-places.*

2 *If* we assay [•] to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but who can [†] withhold himself from speaking?

3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast [b] strengthened the weak hands.

4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the [‡] feeble knees.

5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 *Is* not *this* thy fear, [c] thy confidence, thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?

7 Remember, I pray thee, [f] who *ever* perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?

8 Even as I have seen, [A] they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.

9 By the blast of God they perish, and [‖] by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed.

10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.

11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.

12 Now a thing was [§] secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men,

14 Fear [•] came upon me, and [i] trembling, which made [†] all my bones to shake.

15 Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood up:

16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image *was* before mine eyes, [§] *there was* silence, and I heard a voice, *saying*,

17 Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?

18 Behold, he [m] put no trust in his servants; [‡] and his angels he charged with folly:

19 How much less *in* them that dwell in [•] houses of clay, whose foundation *is* in the dust, *which* are crushed before the moth?

20 They are [•] destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding *it*.

21 Doth not their excellency *which is* in them go away? they die, even without wisdom.

CHAP. V.

CALL now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of the saints wilt thou [‡] turn?

2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and [§] envy slayeth the silly one.

3 I have seen the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.

4 His children are far from safety, and they are crushed in the gate, neither *is there* any to deliver *them*.

5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth up their substance.

6 Although [†] affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground;

7 Yet man is [•] born unto [§] trouble, as [‖] the sparks fly upward.

8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause:

9 Which [n] doeth great things and [•] unsearchable; marvellous things [†] without number:

10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon the [‡] fields:

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11 To [a] set up on high those that be low; that those which mourn may be exalted to safety.

12 He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform ‖ *their* enterprise.

13 He [c] taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong.

14 They § meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the night.

15 But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.

16 So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.

17 Behold, *f* happy *is* the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty:

18 For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

19 He [h] shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee.

20 In [m] famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the ‖ power of the sword.

21 Thou [n] shalt be hid [o] from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.

22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

23 For [p] thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

24 And thou shalt know that † thy tabernacle *shall be* in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not § sin.

25 Thou shalt know also that [r] thy seed *shall be* ‖ great, and thine offspring [s] as the grass of the earth.

26 Thou shalt come to *thy* grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn † cometh in in his season.

27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it *is*; hear it, and know thou *it* for ‖ thy good.

CHAP. VI.

BUT Job answered and said,

2 Oh that my grief were throughly weighed, and my calamity † laid in the balances together!

3 For now it would be heavier [u] than the sand of the sea: therefore § my words are swallowed up.

4 For [v] the arrows of the Almighty *are* within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: [x] the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.

5 Doth the wild ass bray [a] when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder?

6 Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there *any* taste in the white of an egg?

7 The things *that* my soul refused to touch *are* as my sorrowful meat.

8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant *me* § the thing that I long for!

9 Even [a] that it would please God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off!

10 Then should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow: let him not spare; for [c] I have not concealed the words of [d] the Holy One.

11 What *is* my strength, that I should hope? and what *is* mine end, that I should prolong my life?

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[a] 1 Sa. 2. 7.
[c] *brawn.*
[h] Pr. 17. 17.
† *melteth.*
‖ or, *any thing.*
[c] 1 Co. 3. 19.
[d] Ps. 38. 11. 41. 9.
[m] Jo. 15. 18.
§ or, *run into*
‖ *are cut off.*
[o] *in the heat thereof.*
† *extinguished.*
[f] He. 12. 5. Ja. 1. 12.
[n] Ge. 25. 15.
[h] Exo. 27. 22.
[i] Ps. 14. 3.
[k] Ps. 91. 3.
‖ or, *ye are like to them* Heb. *to it.*
§ *not.*
[p] Ps. 38. 11.
[m] Ps. 33. 19.
‖ *hands.*
[n] Ps. 31. 20.
[o] or, *when the tongue scourgeth.*
[p] Ps. 91. 12.
† or, *peace is thy tabernacle.*
‖ *cause to fall upon.*
§ or, *err.*
[r] Ps. 57. 6.
[s] Ps. 112. 2.
‖ or, *much.*
[r] Ps. 72. 16.
[s] *before your face.*
† *ascendeth.*
‖ i. e. *in this matter.*
§ *my palate.*
‖ *thyself.* Pr. 9. 12.
[s] or, *a warfare.*
[t] Ps. 39. 4.
† *lifted up.*
‖ *gapeth after.*
[u] Pr. 27. 3.
§ i. e. *I want words to express my grief.* Ps. 77. 4.
[v] Ps. 38. 2.
[x] Ps. 88. 15, 16.
‖ *covering be measured.*
[a] *at grass.*
[y] Is. 14. 11.
[a] Ps. 90. 6. Ja. 4. 14.
† *not return.*
‖ *To see,* i. e. *to enjoy.*
§ *my expectation.*
[a] 1 Ki. 19. 4.
‖ i. e. *I can live no longer.*
[b] 2 Sa. 12. 23.
[c] Ac. 20. 20.
[d] Lu. 19. 2. Is. 57. 15. Ho. 11. 9.
[e] Ps. 39. 1, 9. 40. 9.
[f] 1 Sa. 1. 10.

12 *Is* my strength the strength of stones? or *is* my flesh [e] of brass?

13 *Is* not my help in me? and is wisdom driven quite from me?

14 To [b] him that † is afflicted pity *should be shewed* from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.

15 My [d] brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, *and* [d] as the stream of brooks they pass away;

16 Which are blackish by reason of the ice, *and* wherein the snow is hid:

17 What time they wax warm, they ‖ vanish: [e] when it is hot, they are † consumed out of their place.

18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go to nothing, and perish.

19 The troops of [f] Tema looked, the companies of [g] Sheba waited for them.

20 They were [f] confounded because they had hoped; they came thither, and were ashamed.

21 For now ‡ ye are § nothing; ye see *my* casting down, and [i] are afraid.

22 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your substance?

23 Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?

24 Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove?

26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, *which are* as wind?

27 Yea, ye ‡ overwhelm the fatherless, and ye [p] dig *a pit* for your friend.

28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for *it is* [e] evident unto you if I lie.

29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness *is* ‡ in it.

30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot § my taste discern perverse things?

CHAP. VII.

Is there not [e] an [r] appointed time to man upon earth? *are not* his days also like the days of an hireling?

2 As a servant ‡ earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for *the reward of* his work:

3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.

4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the ‖ night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.

5 My flesh is [p] clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become loathsome.

6 My [r] days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.

7 O remember that my life *is* wind: mine eye shall † no more ‡ see good.

8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no *more*: thine eyes *are* upon me, and ‖ I *am* not.

9 *As* the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so [b] he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no *more*.

10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.

11 Therefore ‡ I will [c] not refrain my mouth; ‡ I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; ‡ I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.

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12 *Am* I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch over me?
13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint;
14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions:
15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, *and* death rather than my † life.
16 I loathe *it;* I would not live alway: let me alone; for ‖ my days *are* vanity.
17 What *is* man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him?
18 And *that* thou shouldest visit him every morning, *and* try him every moment?
19 How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?
20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast *thou* set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?
21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I *shall* not *be*.

CHAP. VIII.

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
2 How long wilt thou speak these *things?* and *how long shall* the words of thy mouth *be like* a strong wind?
3 Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he have cast them away † for their transgression;
5 If thou wouldest seek unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty;
6 If thou *wert* pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase
8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers:
9 (For we *are but of* yesterday, and know § nothing, because our days upon earth *are* a shadow:)
10 Shall not they teach thee, *and* tell thee, and utter words out of their heart?
11 Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow without water?
12 Whilst it *is* yet in his greenness, *and* not cut down, it withereth before any *other* herb.
13 So *are* the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:
14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust *shall be* ‖ a spider's web.
15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.
16 He *is* green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.
17 His roots are wrapped about the heap, *and* seeth the place of stones.
18 If any be destroy him from his place, then *it* shall deny him, *saying*, I have not seen thee.
19 Behold, this *is* the joy of his way, and *others* out of the earth shall others grow.
20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect *man*, neither will he † help the evil doers:
21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with § rejoicing.

B. C. 1520.

* *not be.*
† *bones.*
a Ps. 143. 2. Ro. 3. 20.
‡ or, *before.*
b Ps. 62. 9.
c Ps. 8. 4.
d Is. 2. 19, 21. Hag. 2. 6, 21. He. 12. 26.
e Ps. 36. 6.
f Ps. 21. 12. La. 3. 12.
g Ge. 1. 6. Ps. 104. 2, 3.
§ *heights.*
h Ge. 1. 16. Am. 5. 8.
‖ *Ash, Cesil, and Cimah.*
i Ps. 71. 15.
k Is. 45. 9. Jo. 18. 6. Ro. 9. 20.
* *turn him away?* ch. 11. 10.
l ch. 34. 12, 17. Ge. 18. 25. De. 32. 4. 2 Ch. 19. 7. Da. 9 14. Ro. 3. 5.
m ch. 36. 12. Is. 30. 7.
† *helpers of pride, or, strength.*
‡ *in the hand of their.*
n ch. 10. 15. 1 Co. 4. 4.
o ch. 15. 18. De. 4. 32.
p Ge. 47. 9. 1 Ch. 29. 15. Ps. 39. 5. 102. 11. 144. 4.
§ *not.*
q Ec. 9. 2, 3. Ese. 21. 3. Ps. 139. 6. Je. 17. 6.
r 2 Sa. 15. 30. 19. 4. Jo. 14. 4.
s ch. 27. 8. Ps. 112. 10. Pr. 10. 28. Mat. 24. 51. Lu. 12. 1, 2.
‖ *a spider's house.* Is. 59. 5, 6.
* *ships of desire, or, ships of Ekeh.*
a Hab. 1. 8.
t Ps. 119. 120.
u Ex. 20. 7.
x Ps. 37. 38.
a Je. 2. 22.
b Ps. 113. 7.
† or, *make me to be abhorred.*
‡ *take the ungodly by the hand.*
c Ec. 6. 10. Is. 45. 9. Je. 49. 19. Ro. 9. 20.
§ *shouting for joy.*

22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling place of the wicked shall * come to nought.

CHAP. IX.

THEN Job answered and said,
2 I know *it is* so of a truth: but how should a man be just ‡ with God?
3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.
4 *He is* wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened *himself* against him, and hath prospered?
5 Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.
6 Which b shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.
7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.
8 Which c alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the § waves of the sea.
9 Which ‖ maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.
10 Which d doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.
11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see *him* not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.
12 Behold, e he taketh away, who can * hinder him? who will say unto him, What doest thou?
13 *If* God will not withdraw his anger, the † proud helpers do stoop under him.
14 How much less shall I answer him, *and* choose out my words *to reason* with him?
15 Whom, though I were righteous, *yet* would I not answer, *but* I would make supplication to my judge.
16 If I had called, and he had answered me; *yet* would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice.
17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.
18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness.
19 If *I speak* of strength, lo, *he is* strong: and if of judgment, who shall set me a time *to plead?*
20 If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: *if I say*, I am perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.
21 *Though* I were perfect, *yet* would I not know my soul: I would despise my life.
22 This *is* one *thing*, therefore I said *it*, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.
23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent.
24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, *and* who *is* he?
25 Now my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.
26 They are passed away as the * swift ships: as the eagle *that* hasteth to the prey.
27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and comfort *myself:*
28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.
29 *If* I be wicked, why then labour I in vain?
30 If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never so clean;
31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall † abhor me.
32 For he *is* not a man, as I *am*, *that* I should answer him, *and* we should come together in judgment.

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33 Neither [a] is there [b] any † daysman betwixt us, *that* might lay his hand upon us both.

34 Let [c] him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:

35 *Then* would I speak, and not fear him; ‡ but *it is* not so with me.

CHAP. X.

MY [d] soul is § weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 *Is it* good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise the [e] work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked?

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh? or [f] seest thou as man seeth?

5 *Are* thy days as the days of man? *are* thy years as man's days,

6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?

7 ‖ Thou [g] knowest that I am not wicked; and *there is* none that can deliver out of thine hand.

8 Thine hands [h] have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that [i] thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?

10 Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?

11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast † fenced me with bones and sinews.

12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 And these *things* hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this *is* with thee.

14 If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity.

15 If I be wicked, [k] woe unto me; and ‖ if I be righteous, *yet* will I not lift up my head. *I am* full of confusion; therefore [l] see thou mine affliction;

16 For it increaseth. [m] Thou huntest me as a fierce lion: and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.

17 Thou renewest [n] thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war *are* against me.

18 Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me!

19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.

20 *Are* not my days few? [o] cease *then*, *and* let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,

21 Before I go *whence* I shall not return, [p] *even* to the land of darkness [q] and the shadow of death;

22 A land of darkness, as darkness *itself*; *and* of the shadow of death, without any order, and *where* the light *is* as darkness.

CHAP. XI.

THEN answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should a man ‡ full of talk be justified?

3 Should thy ‖ lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?

B. C. 1520.

[a] 1 Sa. 2. 25.
[b] *one that should argue.*
[c] ch. 6. 10.
[d] or, *umpire.*
[e] Ps. 39. 10.
‡ *but I am not so with myself.*
[f] Exr. 9. 13.
[g] Jon. 4. 3, 8.
§ or, *cut off while I live.*
[h] Ec. 3. 11.
‖ *the heights of heaven.*
[i] *labour.* Ps. 139. 8. Is. 64. 8.
[k] Ro. 3. 7.
† or, *make a change.*
‡ *turn him away?* ch. 9. 12.
[l] 1 Sa. 16. 7.
[m] *empty.* Ec. 3. 19. Ro. 1. 23.
‖ It is upon *thy knowledge.*
[n] Jno. 21. 17.
[o] Ps. 89. 9.
[p] Ps. 101. 3.
[q] *took pains about me.*
[r] 1 Jno. 3. 21.
[s] Ge. 3. 19.
[t] Is. 64. 8.
[u] Ps. 139. 16.
[v] Is. 58. 8, 10.
† *arise above.*
‡ *hedged.*
[w] Ps. 4. 8. Pr. 3. 24.
§ *cast out thy face.*
Ps. 45. 12.
‖ *flight shall perish from them.*
[x] Pr. 11. 7.
[y] Is. 3. 11.
[z] or, *a puff of breath.*
[a] Ps. 25. 16.
[b] Is. 38. 13. La. 3. 10.
† *on heart.*
‡ i. e. *thy plagues.* Ru. 1. 21.
§ *I fall not lower than.*
‖ *with whom are not such as these?*
[c] Ps. 91. 15.
[d] Pr. 14. 2.
[e] Ps. 39. 13.
[f] Ps. 37. 1, 35. Je. 12. 1. Mal. 3. 15.
[g] Ps. 88. 12.
[h] Ps. 23. 4.
[i] Nu. 16. 22. De. 5. 23. Ac. 17. 28.
[k] or, *life.*
† *all flesh of man.*
‡ *of lips.*
§ *palate.*
‖ or, *devices.*
[l] i. e. *God.*

4 For [a] thou hast said, My doctrine *is* pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.

5 But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee;

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that *they are* double to that which is! Know therefore that [b] God exacteth of thee *less* than thine iniquity *deserveth*.

7 Canst [c] thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?

8 *It is* ‖ as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?

9 The measure thereof *is* longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

10 If [d] he † cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then who can † hinder him?

11 For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then consider it?

12 For § vain [e] man would be wise, though man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch [f] out thine hands toward him;

14 If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and [g] let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.

15 For [h] then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:

16 Because thou shalt [i] forget *thy* misery, *and* remember *it as* waters *that* pass away:

17 And *thine* age [j] shall † be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig *about thee, and* [k] thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make *thee* afraid; yea, many shall § make suit unto thee.

20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and ‖ they shall not escape, and [l] their hope *shall be as* [m] the giving up of the ghost.

CHAP. XII.

AND Job answered and said,

2 No doubt but ye *are* the people, and wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I have † understanding as well as you; § I *am* not inferior to you: yea, ‖ who knoweth not such things as these?

4 I am *as* one mocked of his neighbour, who [n] calleth upon God, and he answereth him: the just upright *man is* laughed to scorn.

5 He [o] that is ready to slip with *his* feet *is as* a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

6 The [p] tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that provoke God are secure; into whose hand God bringeth *abundantly*.

7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee:

8 Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee.

9 Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?

10 In [q] whose hand *is* the [r] soul of every living thing, and the breath of † all mankind.

11 Doth not the ear try words? and the § mouth taste his meat?

12 With the ancient *is* wisdom; and in length of days understanding.

13 With [s] him *is* wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding.

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14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again: he [a] shutteth [o] up a man, and there can be no opening.

15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry up: also he [b] sendeth them out, and they overturn the earth.

16 With him *is* strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver *are* his.

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and [c] maketh the judges fools.

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.

19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and overthroweth the mighty.

20 He [d] removeth away the [‡] speech of the trusty, and taketh away the understanding of the aged.

21 He [e] poureth contempt upon princes, and [§] weakeneth the strength of the mighty.

22 He [f] discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and [†] straiteneth them *again*.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness *where there is* no way.

25 They [r] grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to [§] stagger like a drunken *man*.

CHAP. XIII.

LO, mine eye hath seen all *this*, mine ear hath heard and understood it.

2 What ye know, *the same* do I know also: I *am* not inferior unto you.

3 Surely [m] I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye *are* forgers of lies, ye *are* all physicians of no value.

5 O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and [n] it should be your wisdom.

6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?

8 Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?

9 Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do ye *so* mock him?

10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.

11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall upon you?

12 Your remembrances *are* like unto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.

13 [†] Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on me what *will*.

14 Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?

15 Though [d] he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will [‡] maintain mine own ways before him.

16 He also *shall be* my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.

17 Hear diligently my speech, and my declaration with your ears.

18 Behold now, I have ordered *my* cause; I know that I shall be justified.

19 Who [s] *is* he *that* will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue, I shall give up the ghost.

20 Only do not two *things* unto me: then will I not hide myself from thee.

21 Withdraw [t] thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make me afraid.

22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.

23 How many *are* mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin.

24 Wherefore [v] hidest thou thy face, and [d] holdest me for thine enemy?

25 Wilt [r] thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?

26 For thou writest bitter things against me, and [g] makest me to possess the iniquities of my youth.

27 Thou [h] puttest my feet also in the stocks, and [†] lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the [§] heels of my feet.

28 And he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten.

CHAP. XIV.

MAN *that is* born of a woman *is* [o] of few days, and [m] full of trouble.

2 He [a] cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.

3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and [o] bringest me into judgment with thee?

4 Who [‡] can [p] bring a clean *thing* out of an unclean? not one.

5 Seeing [o] his days *are* determined, the number of his months *are* with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;

6 Turn [r] from him, that he may [§] rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

9 *Yet* through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

10 But man dieth, and [t] wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where *is* he?

11 *As* the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:

12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: [u] till the heavens *be* no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14 If a man die, shall he live *again*? all the days of my appointed time [p] will I wait, [x] till my change come.

15 Thou [e] shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.

16 For [b] now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?

17 My [y] transgression *is* sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.

18 And surely the mountain falling [§] cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.

19 The waters wear the stones: thou [‖] washest away the things which grow *out of* the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man.

20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sons come to honour, and [f] he knoweth *it* not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth *it* not of them.

22 But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.

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[a] Is. 22. 22. Re. 3. 7.
[o] *upon.*
[b] Ge. 7. 11, &c
[c] Is. 8. 17.
[d] De. 32. 42. La. 2. 5.
[e] Is. 42. 3.
[f] Is. 19. 12. 29. 14. 1 Co. 1. 19.
[g] Ps. 25. 7.
[h] ch. 33. 11.
[†] *observest.*
[i] Is. 3. 1..3.
[‡] *lip of the faithful.*
[§] *roots.*
[k] Ps. 107. 40. Da. 2. 21.
[‖] or, *looseth the girdle of the strong.*
[l] Da. 7. 22. Mat. 10. 28. 1 Co. 4. 5.
[o] *short of days.*
[m] Ec. 2. 23.
[n] Ps. 90. 5, 6, 9. Is. 40. 6. Ja. 1. 10, 11. 4. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 24.
[†] *loadeth in.*
[o] Ps. 143. 2.
[‡] *will give.*
[p] Ps. 51. 5. Jno. 3. 6. Ro. 5. 12. Ep. 2. 3.
[r] De. 28. 29.
[§] *wander.*
[s] ch. 7. 1.
[t] Ps. 39. 12.
[‖] *cease.*
[u] ch. 31. 35.
[v] Pr. 17. 28.
[o] *is weakened,* or, *cut off.*
[w] Is. 51. 6. 65. 17. 66. 22. Ac. 3. 21. Re. 6. 20. 2 Pe. 3. 7, 10, 11. Re. 20. 11. 21. 1.
[y] ch. 13. 15.
[z] ver. 7.
[a] ch. 13. 22.
[†] *Be silent from me.*
[b] Ps. 56. 8. 139. 1..3. Pr. 5. 21. Je. 32. 19.
[c] De. 32. 34. Ho. 13. 12.
[d] Ps. 23. 4. Pr. 14. 32.
[‡] *prove,* or, *argue.*
[§] *fadeth.*
[‖] *overflowest.*
[e] Is. 50. 8.
[f] Ec. 9. 5.
[g] Ps. 32. 10.

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CHAP. XV.

THEN answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 Should a wise man utter † vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?

3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?

4 Yea, thou ‡ castest off fear, and restrainest § prayer before God.

5 For thy mouth [o] uttereth thine iniquity, and thou choosest the tongue of the crafty.

6 Thine [c] own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.

7 *Art* thou the first man *that* was born? or wast thou made before the hills?

8 Hast [d] thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?

9 What knowest thou, that we know not? *what* understandest thou, which *is* not in us?

10 With us *are* both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.

11 *Are* the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?

12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy eyes wink at,

13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest *such* words go out of thy mouth?

14 What *is* man, that he should be clean? and *he which is* born of a woman, that he should be righteous?

15 Behold, [e] he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.

16 How [h] much more abominable and filthy *is* man, [m] which drinketh iniquity like water?

17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that *which* I have seen I will declare;

18 Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid *it:*

19 Unto whom alone the earth was given, and [p] no stranger passed among them.

20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all *his* days, [s] and the number of years is hidden to the oppressor.

21 A [o] dreadful sound *is* in his ears: [g] in prosperity [u] the destroyer shall come upon him.

22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is waited for of the sword.

23 He [x] wandereth abroad for bread, *saying*, Where *is it?* he knoweth that [y] the day of darkness is ready at his hand.

24 Trouble [z] and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle.

25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himself against the Almighty.

26 He runneth upon him, *even* on *his* neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:

27 Because [d] he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on *his* flanks.

28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heaps.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, / neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.

31 Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his recompence.

32 It shall be [o] accomplished [a] before his time, and his branch shall not be green.

33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.

34 For the congregation of hypocrites *shall be* desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.

35 They [b] conceive mischief, and bring forth ‖ vanity, and their belly prepareth deceit.

CHAP. XVI.

THEN Job answered and said,

2 I have heard many such things: † miserable comforters *are* ye all.

3 Shall ‡ vain words have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?

4 I also could speak as ye *do:* if your soul were in my soul's stead, I could heap up words against you, and [v] shake mine head at you.

5 *But* I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my lips should asswage *your grief.*

6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and *though* I forbear, § what am I eased?

7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate all my company.

8 And thou hast filled me with wrinkles, *which* is a witness *against me:* and my leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.

9 He teareth *me* in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth upon me with his teeth; [i] mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.

10 They have [i] gaped upon me with their mouth; they [l] have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully; they have [m] gathered themselves together against me.

11 God ‖ hath [o] delivered me to the ungodly, and turned me over into the hands of the wicked.

12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken *me* by my neck, and shaken me to pieces, and [r] set me up for his mark.

13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not spare; he poureth out my gall upon the ground.

14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like a giant.

15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and [v] defiled my horn in the dust.

16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids *is* the shadow of death;

17 Not for *any* injustice in mine hands: also my prayer *is* pure.

18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, and [s] let my cry have no place.

19 Also now, behold, [k] my witness *is* in heaven, and my record *is* † on high.

20 My friends ‡ scorn me: *but* mine eye poureth out *tears* unto God.

21 O [c] that one might plead for a man with God, as a man *pleadeth* for his § neighbour!

22 When ‖ a few years are come, then I shall [c] go the way *whence* I shall not return.

CHAP. XVII.

MY [o] breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, [f] the graves *are ready* for me.

2 *Are there* not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye † continue in their [h] provocation?

3 Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee; who *is he that* [i] will strike hands with me?

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[o] or, *cut off.*
[a] ch. 22. 16. Ps. 55. 23.
† *knowledge of wind.*
‡ *maketh void.*
[b] Ps. 7. 14. Is. 59. 4. Ho. 10. 13.
§ or, *speech.*
‖ or, *iniquity teacheth.*
[c] Lu. 19. 22.
† or, *troublesome.*
‡ *words of wind.*
[d] Ro. 11. 34. 1 Co. 2. 11.
[e] Ps. 22. 7. 109. 25. La. 2. 15.
§ *what goeth from me?*
/ 1 Ki. 8. 46. 2 Ch. 6. 36. Ps. 14. 3. Pr. 20. 9. Ec. 7. 20. 1 Joh. 1. 8, 10
[f] ch. 4. 18. 25. 5.
[h] ch. 13. 24.
[i] Ps. 22. 13.
[k] Ps. 14. 3. 53. 3.
[l] La. 3. 30. Mi. 5. 1.
[m] ch. 34. 7. Pr. 19. 28.
[n] Ps. 25. 15.
‖ *hath shut me up.*
[o] ch. 1. 15, 17.
[p] Joel 3. 17.
[r] ch. 7. 20.
[s] Ps. 90. 12.
[o] *sound of fears.*
[t] 1 Th. 5. 3.
[u] 1 Co. 10. 10. Re. 9. 11.
[x] ch. 30. 19. Ps. 7. 5.
[y] Ps. 59. 15. 109. 10. La. 5. 6, 9.
[z] ch. 18. 12.
[a] Ps. 119. 143. Pr. 1. 27. Ro. 2. 9. Re. 6. 15. 17.
[c] ch. 27. 9. Ps. 66. 18, 19.
[b] Ro. 1. 9.
† *on high places.*
‡ *are my scorners.*
[c] ch. 31. 35. Ec. 8. 10. Is. 45. 9. Ro. 9. 20.
[d] ch. 17. 10.
§ or, *friend.*
‖ *years of number.*
[e] Ec. 12. 5.
[o] or, *spirit is spent.*
[f] Ps. 49. 14, 17. Lu. 16. 2, 19. 22. Ja. 5. 1. 3.
[g] Ps. 88. 3, 4.
† *lodge.*
[h] 1 Sa. 1. 6, 7.
[i] Pr. 6. 1. 17. 18.

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4 For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt *them*.

5 He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends, even the eyes of his children shall fail.

6 He hath made me also [b] a byword of the people; and [‡] aforetime I was as a tabret.

7 Mine [d] eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all [§] my members *are* as a shadow.

8 Upright *men* shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall stir up himself against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath [f] clean hands [e] shall be stronger and stronger.

10 But as for you all, [g] do ye return, and come now: for I cannot find *one* wise *man* among you.

11 My [h] days are past, my purposes are broken off, *even* [†] the thoughts of my heart.

12 They change the night into day: the light *is* [‡] short because of darkness.

13 If I wait, the grave *is* mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.

14 I have [i] said to corruption, Thou *art* my father: to the worm, *Thou art* my mother, and my sister.

15 And where *is* now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when *our* rest together *is* in the dust.

CHAP. XVIII.

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 How long *will it be ere* ye make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.

3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, *and* reputed vile in your sight?

4 He teareth [a] himself in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?

5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.

6 The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, [‖] and his [†] candle shall be put out with him.

7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.

8 For [c] he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he walketh upon a snare.

9 The gin shall take *him* by the heel, *and* the robber shall prevail against him.

10 The snare *is* [e] laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.

11 Terrors [p] shall make him afraid on every side, and shall [‡] drive him to his feet.

12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction *shall be* ready at his side.

13 It shall devour the [§] strength of his skin: *even* the firstborn of death shall devour his strength.

14 His [r] confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrors.

15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because *it is* none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.

16 His [s] roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch be cut off.

17 His [s] remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.

18 [†] He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.

19 He [t] shall neither have son nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.

B. C. 1520.

[a] Ps. 37. 13.
[c] or, *lived with him.*
[†] *laid hold on horror.*
[b] ch. 30. 9.
[‡] or, *before them.*
[d] 2 Th. 1. 8. Tit. 1. 16.
[d] Ps. 6. 7. 31. 9.
[§] or, *my thoughts.*
[e] Ge. 31. 7.
[‖] or, *harden yourselves against me*
[f] Ps. 24. 4.
[e] *shall add strength.*
[g] ch. 6. 29.
[h] ch. 7. 6.
[†] *the possessions.*
[‡] *near.*
[§] or, *violence.*
[‖] *cried*, or, *called.*
[i] Ps. 88. 8.
[k] Ps. 89. 44.
[l] La. 3. 5.
[m] Ps. 69. 8.
[e] *his soul.*
[n] Ps. 18. 28.
[†] or, *lamp.*
[‡] *my belly.*
[o] Ps. 9. 15. 35. 8.
[§] or, *the wicked.*
[‖] *the men of my secret.*
[e] *hidden.*
[†] or, *as.*
[p] Jo. 6. 25.
[‡] *scatter.*
[r] Ps. 38. 2.
[§] *bars.*
[s] Ps. 69. 26.
[t] Ps. 112. 10. Pr. 10. 28.
[‖] *Who will give, &c.*
[u] Is. 5. 24. Am. 2. 9. Mal. 4. 1.
[e] or, *After I shall awake, though this* body *be destroyed, yet out of my flesh, &c.*
[v] Ps. 34. 16. Pr. 2. 22.
[x] 1 Co. 13. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[†] *They shall drive him.*
[‡] *a stranger.*
[§] or, *my reins within me are consumed with earnest desire* [for that day.]
[‖] *in my bosom.*
[y] Is. 14. 22. Je. 22. 30.
[z] ver. 12.

20 They that come after *him* shall be astonied at [a] his day, as they that [e] went before [†] were affrighted.

21 Surely such *are* the dwellings of the wicked, and this *is* the place *of him that* [c] knoweth not God.

CHAP XIX.

THEN Job answered and said,

2 How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?

3 These [c] ten times have ye reproached me: ye are not ashamed *that* ye [‖] make yourselves strange to me.

4 And be it indeed *that* I have erred, mine error remaineth with myself.

5 If indeed ye will magnify *yourselves* against me, and plead against me my reproach:

6 Know now that God hath overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of [§] wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but *there is* no judgment.

8 He [i] hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set darkness in my paths.

9 He [g] hath stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown *from* my head.

10 He hath destroyed me on every side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and [l] he counteth me unto him as *one of* his enemies.

12 His troops come together, and raise up their way against me, and encamp round about my tabernacle.

13 He [m] hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are verily estranged from me.

14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.

16 I called my servant, and he gave *me* no answer; I intreated him with my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's *sake* of [‡] mine own body.

18 Yea, [§] young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.

19 All [‖] my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me.

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin [†] and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; [†] for the hand of God hath touched me.

22 Why do ye [e] persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 [‖] Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

25 For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth:

26 [e] And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet [x] in my flesh shall I see God:

27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; [e] *though* my reins be consumed within me.

28 But ye should say, [a] Why persecute

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we him, ᵒ seeing the root of the matter is found in me?

29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath *bringeth* the punishments of the sword, ᵖ that ye may know *there is* a judgment.

CHAP. XX.

THEN answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Therefore do my thoughts cause me to answer, and for *this* I make haste.

3 I have heard the check of my reproach, and the spirit of my understanding causeth me to answer.

4 Knowest thou *not* this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

5 That ᵃ the triumphing of the wicked is § short, and the joy of the hypocrite *but* for a moment?

6 Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the † clouds;

7 *Yet* he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say, Where *is* he?

8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

9 The eye also *which* saw him shall *see him* no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.

10 § His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.

11 His bones are full *of the sin* of his youth, which shall lie down with him in the dust.

12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, *though* he hide it under his tongue;

13 *Though* he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it still ᵠ within his mouth:

14 *Yet* his meat in his bowels is turned, *it is* the gall of asps within him.

15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of his belly.

16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay him.

17 He shall not see the rivers, the ‡floods, the brooks of honey and butter.

18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow *it* down: according to § his substance *shall* the restitution *be*, and he shall not rejoice *therein*.

19 Because he hath † oppressed *and* hath forsaken the poor; *because* he hath violently taken away an house which he builded not;

20 Surely ʳ he shall not ‖ feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he desired.

21 There shall § none of his meat be left; therefore shall no man look for his goods.

22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: every hand of the ᵒ wicked shall come upon him.

23 *When* he is about to fill his belly, *God* shall cast the fury of his wrath upon him, and shall rain *it* upon him ᵖ while he is eating.

24 He ᵍ shall flee from the iron weapon, *and* the bow of steel shall strike him through.

25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the glittering sword cometh out of his ‖ gall: terrors *are* upon him.

26 All darkness *shall be* hid in his secret places: a fire not blown shall consume him; it shall go ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.

B. C. 1520.

ᵒ or, *and what need of matter is found in me?*
ᵖ Ps.58.10,11. He. 9. 27.
† *of his decree from God.*
‡ *my haste is on me.*
ᵃ Ps.37.35,36.
§ *from near.*
‖ *shortened.*
ᵒ *Look unto me.*
ᵖ Ps. 39. 9.
† *cloud.*
ᵍ Jo. 12. 1. Hab. 1. 16.
‡ *peace from.*
ᵉ Ps. 73. 5.
ᶠ Ex. 23. 26.
§ or, *The poor shall oppress his children.*
‖ or, *mirth.*
ᵒ *in the midst of his palate.*
ᵍ Ex. 5. 2.
ʰ Ps. 1. 1. Pr. 1. 10.
† or, *lamp.*
ᶦ Lu. 12. 46.
‡ or, *streaming brooks.*
ᵏ Is. 29. 5. Ho. 13. 3.
§ *stealeth away.*
‖ *the substance of his exchange.*
ᵒ i. e. *the punishment of his iniquity.*
ᶦ Ex. 20. 5.
† *crushed.*
ᵐ Jo. 25. 15. Ru. 14. 10. 19. 15.
ⁿ Ec. 5. 13,14.
‡ *know.*
§ or, *he none left for his meat.*
ᵒ Ro. 11. 34. 1 Co. 2. 16.
‖ *very perfection, or, in the strength of his perfection.*
ᵒ or, *troublesome.*
† or, *milk pails.*
ᵖ Nu. 11. 33. Ec. 7.5..10.
ᵠ Ec. 9. 2.
ʳ Is. 24. 18. Je. 48. 43. Am. 5. 19.
‡ *tent of the tabernacles*
ˢ 2 Pe. 2. 9.

27 The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall rise up against him.

28 The increase of his house shall depart, *and his goods* shall flow away in the day of his wrath.

29 This *is* the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage † appointed unto him by God.

CHAP. XXI.

BUT Job answered and said,

2 Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.

3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, mock on.

4 As for me, *is* my complaint to man? and if *it were so*, why should not my spirit be ‖ troubled?

5 ᵒ Mark me, and be astonished, ᵖ and lay *your* hand upon *your* mouth.

6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.

7 Wherefore ᵈ do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?

8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.

9 Their houses *are* ‡ safe from fear, ᵉ neither *is* the rod of God upon them.

10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; their cow calveth, and ᶠ casteth not her calf.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their children dance.

12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.

13 They spend their days in ‖ wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.

14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us: for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.

15 What ᵍ *is* the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?

16 Lo, their good *is* not in their hand: ʰ the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

17 How oft is the † candle of the wicked put out? and *how oft* cometh their destruction upon them? *God* ᶦ distributeth sorrows in his anger.

18 They ᵏ are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm § carrieth away.

19 God layeth up ᵒ his iniquity ᶦ for his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and ᵐ he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty.

21 For what pleasure *hath* he in his house after him, when the number of his months is cut off in the midst?

22 Shall ᵒ *any* teach God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.

23 One dieth in his ‖ full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His † breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure.

26 They shall ʳ lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices *which* ye wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, Where *is* the house of the prince? and where *are* the ‡ dwelling places of the wicked?

29 Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens,

30 That ᵗ the wicked is reserved to the

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day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of † wrath.

31 Who shall declare his way [b] to his face? and who shall repay him *what* he hath done?

32 Yet shall he be brought to the ‡ grave, and shall § remain in the tomb.

33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and [d] every man shall draw after him, as *there are* innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there remaineth ‖ falsehood?

CHAP. XXII.

THEN Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

2 Can [f] a man be profitable unto God, ‡ as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?

3 *Is it* any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or *is it* gain *to him*, that thou makest thy ways perfect?

4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?

5 *Is* not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?

6 For thou hast [g] taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and stripped the ‖ naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou [i] hast withholden bread from the hungry.

8 But *as for* [e] the mighty man, he had the earth; and the † honourable man dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.

10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;

11 Or darkness, *that* thou canst not see; and abundance of [l] waters cover thee.

12 *Is* not God in the height of heaven? and behold the § height of the stars, how high they are!

13 And thou sayest, ‖ How [m] doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?

14 Thick [p] clouds *are* a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.

15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?

16 Which [t] were cut down out of time, ‡ whose foundation was overflown with a flood:

17 Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can the Almighty do § for them?

18 Yet he filled their houses with good *things*: but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

19 The righteous see *it*, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them to scorn.

20 Whereas our ‖ substance is not cut down, but [u] the remnant of them the fire consumeth.

21 Acquaint now thyself with † him, and [y] be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.

22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and [a] lay up his words in thine heart.

23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.

24 Then shalt thou [d] lay up gold § as dust, and the *gold* of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.

25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy ‖ de-

B. C. 1320.

[o] *silver of strength.*
† *wraths.*
[a] Is. 56. 14.
[b] Ge. 2. 11.
[c] Is. 38. 9.
‡ *graves.*
§ *watch in the heap.*
[d] He. v. 27.
[e] Pr. 29. 23. Ja. 4. 6.
[f] 1 Pe. 5. 5.
‖ *transgression.*
[g] *him that hath low eyes.*
† or, *The innocent shall deliver the island,* Ge. 18. 26, &c.
[f] Lu. 17. 10.
‡ or, *if he may be profitable,* doth his *good success* depend *thereon?*
§ *my hand.*
[g] Ex. 22. 26, 27. Eze. 18. 12.
[h] Is. 57. 16.
‖ *clothes of the naked.*
[i] Mat. 25. 42.
[e] *the man of arm.*
† *eminent,* or, *accepted for countenance.*
[k] Ps. 139. 1..3.
‡ that is *with me.*
[l] La. 3. 54.
[m] Ps. 17. 3. Is. 1. 12.
§ *head.*
‖ or, *What.*
[n] Ps. 10. 11.
[o] Jno. 4. 32, 34
[t] *hid,* or, *laid up.*
[p] Ps. 139. 11, 12
† or, *my appointed portion.*
[r] Ro. 9. 19.
[s] Ps. 115. 3.
[t] Ec. 7. 17.
[u] 1 Th. 2. 3.
‡ *a flood was poured upon their foundation*
2 Pe. 2. 5.
§ or, *to.*
[v] Ps. 22. 14.
‖ or, *estate.*
[o] or, *their excellency.*
[x] Ac. 1. 7.
† i. e. *God.*
[y] Is. 27. 5.
[z] De. 19. 14. Ho. 5. 10.
‡ or, *feed them.*
[a] Ps. 119. 11.
[b] De. 24. 6, 10.
[c] Pr. 28. 28.
[d] 2 Ch. 1. 15.
§ or, *on the.*
‖ or, *gold.*

fence, and thou shalt have [o] plenty of silver.

26 For then shalt thou have thy [c] delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God.

27 Thou [r] shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

29 When *men* are cast down, then thou shalt say, *There is* lifting up; and [s] he shall save [e] the humble person.

30 † He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.

CHAP. XXIII.

THEN Job answered and said,

2 Even to day *is* my complaint bitter: § my stroke is heavier than my groaning.

3 Oh that I knew where I might find him! *that* I might come *even* to his seat!

4 I would order *my* cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words *which* he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me.

6 Will [t] he plead against me with *his* great power? No; but he would put *strength* in me.

7 There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge.

8 Behold, I go forward, but he *is* not *there*; and backward, but I cannot perceive him:

9 On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold *him*: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see *him*:

10 But he [k] knoweth the way † that I take: *when* [m] he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

11 My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not declined.

12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I [e] have esteemed the words of his mouth more than † my necessary *food*.

13 But he *is* in one *mind*, and [r] who can turn him? and *what* [s] his soul desireth, even *that* he doeth.

14 For he performeth *the thing that is* [u] appointed for me: and many such *things are* with him.

15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider, I am afraid of him.

16 For God [v] maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:

17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, *neither* hath he covered the darkness from my face.

CHAP. XXIV.

WHY, seeing [x] times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that know him not see his days?

2 *Some* remove the [a] landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and ‡ feed *thereof*.

3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they [b] take the widow's ox for a pledge.

4 They turn the needy out of the way: [c] the poor of the earth hide themselves together.

5 Behold, *as* wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work; rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness *yieldeth* food for them *and* for *their* children.

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6 They reap *every one* his [a] corn in the field: and [†] they gather the vintage of the wicked.

7 They [c] cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that *they have* no covering in the cold.

8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and [d] embrace the rock for want of a shelter.

9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.

10 They cause *him* to go naked without clothing, and they take away the sheaf *from* the hungry;

11 *Which* make oil within their walls, *and* tread *their* winepresses, and suffer thirst.

12 Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly *to them*.

13 They are of those that [e] rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.

14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy, and in the night is as a thief.

15 The [f] eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying, No eye shall see me: and [g] disguiseth *his* face.

16 In the dark they dig through houses, *which* they had marked for themselves in the daytime: [h] they know not the light.

17 For the morning *is* to them even as the shadow of death: if *one* know *them*, *they are* in the terrors of the shadow of death.

18 He *is* swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.

19 Drought and heat [§] consume the snow waters: *so doth* the grave *those which* have sinned.

20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; [*] he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a tree.

21 He evil entreateth the barren *that* beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.

22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, [†] and no *man is* sure of life.

23 *Though* it be given him *to be* in safety, whereon he resteth; yet [ǂ] his eyes *are* upon their ways.

24 They are exalted for a little while, but [‡] are gone and brought low; they are taken out of the way as all *other*, and cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.

25 And if *it be* not *so* now, who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?

CHAP. XXV.

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 Dominion and fear *are* with him, he maketh peace in his high places.

3 Is there any number of his armies? and upon whom doth not [ǁ] his light arise?

4 How [¶] then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean *that is* born of a woman?

5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars *are* not pure in his sight.

6 How much less man, *that is* [b] a worm? and the son of man, *which* is a worm?

CHAP. XXVI.

BUT Job answered and said,

2 How hast thou helped *him that is* without power? *how* savest thou the arm *that hath* no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled *him that hath* no wisdom? and *how* hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?

4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?

5 Dead *things* are formed from under the waters, [‡] and the inhabitants thereof.

6 Hell [b] *is* naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.

7 He [d] stretcheth out the north over the empty place, *and* hangeth the earth upon nothing.

8 He [e] bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.

9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, *and* spreadeth his cloud upon it.

10 He [f] hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the [§] day and night come to an end.

11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.

12 He [g] divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through [h] the proud.

13 By [i] his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed [k] the crooked serpent.

14 Lo, these *are* parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?

CHAP. XXVII.

MOREOVER Job [†] continued his parable, and said,

2 *As* God liveth, [m] *who* hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, *who* hath [‡] vexed my soul;

3 All the while my breath *is* in me, and [ǁ] the spirit of God *is* in my nostrils;

4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.

5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die [¶] I will not remove mine integrity from me.

6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: [r] my heart shall not reproach *me* [*] so long as I live.

7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.

8 For [*] what *is* the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?

9 Will [m] God hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?

10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty? will he always call upon God?

11 I will teach you [§] by the hand of God: *that* which *is* with the Almighty will I not conceal.

12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen *it*; why then are ye thus altogether vain?

13 This [n] *is* the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, *which* they shall receive of the Almighty.

14 If [o] his children be multiplied, *it is* for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and [p] his widows shall not weep.

16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare *it*, but [q] the just shall put *it* on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and [d] as a booth *that* the keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he is not.

[a] *mingled corn, or, dredge.*
[†] *the wicked gather the vintage.*
[c] Ex. 22. 26, 27
[ǂ] *or, wrath.*
[d] Pr. 12. 28, 11. Pr. 15. 11. Ho. 4. 13.
[e] Lu. 4. 5.
[f] Ps. 24. 2. 104. 2. &c.
[g] Pr. 20. 4.
[h] Ps. 104. 9. Pr. 8. 29. Je. 5. 22.
[§] *end of light with darkness.*
[i] Jno. 9. 39.. 41. Ro. 2. 17..24
[k] Ja. 4. 17.
[l] Ex. 14. 21. Ps. 74. 13. Is. 51. 15. Je. 31. 35.
[ǁ] *pride.*
[m] Ps. 33. 6.
[n] Is. 27. 1.
[i] Pr. 7. 9.
[*] *setteth his face in secret.*
[m] Jno. 3. 20. Ep. 5. 11..13
[†] *added to take up.*
[n] ch. 34. 5.
[ǂ] *made my soul bitter,* Ru. 1. 20. 2 Ki. 4. 27.
[‡] *violently take.*
[ǁ] *i. e. the breath which God gave him,* Ge. 2. 7.
[¶] Pr. 10. 7. Is. 38. 14.
[o] ch. 2. 9. 13. 15.
[r] Ac. 24. 16.
[*] *from my days.*
[†] *or, he trusteth not his own life.*
[s] Mat. 16. 26. Lu. 12. 20.
[t] Ps. 11. 4. Pr. 15. 3. Re. 2. 23.
[u] Pr. 1. 28. Is. 1. 15. Jno. 9. 31. Ja. 4. 3.
[ǂ] *are not.*
[§] *closed up.*
[ǁ] *or, being in the hand.*
[v] ch. 20. 29.
[w] De. 28. 41. Ho. 9. 10. Ho. 9. 13.
[x] Ja. 1. 17.
[y] ch. 4. 17. &c. Ps. 130. 3. 143. 2.
[a] Ps. 78. 64.
[b] Ps. 22. 6.
[c] Pr. 29. 8. Ec. 2. 26.
[d] Is. 1. 8.

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20 Terrors [a] take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.
21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.
22 For *God* shall cast upon him, and not spare: [†] he would fain flee out of his hand.
23 *Men* shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place.

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SURELY there is a [§] vein for the silver, and a place for gold *where* they fine *it*.
2 Iron is taken out of the [‖]earth, and brass *is* molten *out of* the stone.
3 He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.
4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; *even the waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.
5 *As for* the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.
6 The stones of it *are* the place of sapphires: and it hath [†]dust of gold.
7 *There is a* path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:
8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.
9 He putteth forth his hand upon the [‡] rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots.
10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing.
11 He bindeth the floods from [§]overflowing; and *the thing that is* hid bringeth he forth to light.
12 But [a] where shall wisdom be found? and where *is* the place of understanding?
13 Man knoweth not the [b] price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.
14 The [c] depth saith, It *is* not in me: and the sea saith, *It is* not with me.
15 It [d] cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed *for* the price thereof.
16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.
17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it *shall not be for* [e] jewels of fine gold.
18 No mention shall be made of [†]coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom *is* above rubies.
19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.
20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where *is* the place of understanding?
21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.
22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.
23 God [f] understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.
24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, *and* [g] seeth under the whole heaven;
25 To [h] make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.
26 When he [i] made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:
27 Then did he see it, and [†] declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.
28 And unto man he said, Behold, [k] the fear of the Lord, that *is* wisdom; and to depart from evil *is* understanding.

CHAP. XXIX.

MOREOVER Job [§] continued his parable, and said,

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[a] ch. 18. 11. Jon. 2. 3.
[b] ch. 7. 3.
[c] ch. 16. 6.
[d] or, *iamp.* Ps. 18. 28.
[†] *in fleeing he would flee.*
[e] Ps. 25. 14.
[f] Ge. 49. 11. De. 32. 13.
[‡] *with me.*
[§] or, *mine.*
[‖] or, *dust.*
[†] ch. 31. 5.
[a] *voice of the nobles was hid.*
[§] Ps. 137. 6.
[b] Ps. 73. 12. Pr. 21. 12. 24. 11.
[†] or, *gold ore* De. 24. 13.
[c] Ps. 133. 9. Is. 61. 10. Ep. 5. 14. &c. 1 Th. 5. 8.
[‡] or, *Abaddon.*
[d] Mi. 10. 31.
[e] Pr. 29. 7.
[§] *weeping.*
[a] Ps. 58. 6. Pr. 30. 14.
[‖] *fawteeth, or, grinders*
[a] *cast.*
[a] Ec. 7. 24. 1 Co. 1. 19, 20 2. 6. 15. Col. 2. 3. Ja. 1. 5, 17.
[b] Ps. 30. 6.
[c] Pr. 3. 15.
[†] ch. 18. 16.
[†] *opened.*
[f] Ps. 1. 3. Je. 17. 8.
[g] Ro. 11. 33, 34.
[‡] *new.*
[h] Ge. 49. 24.
[§] *changed.*
[a] Pr. 16. 16.
[‖] *Fine gold shall not be given for it*
[a] or, *vessels.*
[b] Zec. 10. 1.
[†] or, *Ramoth.*
[‡] or, *heaven.*
[§] *of fewer days.*
[a] Ps. 147. 5. Lu. 10. 21, 22 Ac. 15. 18. Jude 25.
[b] Pr. 15. 3.
[c] Ps. 135. 7.
[‖] or, *dark as the night.*
[a] *yesternight*
[a] ch. 38. 25.
[†] or, *number.*
[a] De. 4. 6. Ps. 111. 10. Pr. 1. 7. 9. 10. Ec. 12. 13. Ro. 3. 17, 18.
[‡] *holes.*
[§] *added to take up.*

2 Oh that I were [b] as *in* months past, as *in* the days *when* God preserved me;
3 When [c] his [d] candle shined upon my head, *and when* by his light I walked *through* darkness;
4 As I was in the days of my youth, when [e] the secret of God *was* upon my tabernacle;
5 When the Almighty *was* yet with me, *when* my children *were* about me;
6 When [f] I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured [‡] me out rivers of oil;
7 When I went out to the gate through the city, *when* I prepared my seat in the street!
8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, *and* stood up.
9 The princes refrained talking, and [f] laid *their* hand on their mouth.
10 The [g] nobles held their peace, and their [§] tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.
11 When the ear heard *me*, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw *me*, it gave witness to me:
12 Because [h] I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and *him that had* none to help him.
13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.
14 I [i] put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment *was* as a robe and a diadem.
15 I was [k] eyes to the blind, and feet *was* I to the lame.
16 I *was* a father to the poor: and [l] the cause *which* I knew not I searched out.
17 And I brake [m] the [‖] jaws of the wicked, and [a] plucked the spoil out of his teeth.
18 Then I said, [†] I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply [n] my days as the sand.
19 My [o] root *was* [†] spread out [p] by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.
20 My glory *was* [‡] fresh in me, and [t] my bow was [§] renewed in my hand.
21 Unto me *men* gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.
22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.
23 And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide *as* for [a] the latter rain.
24 *If* I laughed on them, they believed *it* not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.
25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one *that* comforteth the mourners.

CHAP. XXX.

BUT now *they that are* [§] younger than I have me in derision, whose fathers I would have disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock.
2 Yea, whereto *might* the strength of their hands *profit* me, in whom old age was perished?
3 For want and famine *they were* [‖] solitary; fleeing into the wilderness [a] in former time desolate and waste.
4 Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots *for* their meat.
5 They were driven forth from among *men*, (they cried after them as *after* a thief;)
6 To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys, *in* [‡] caves of the earth, and *in* the rocks.
7 Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together.
8 *They were* children of fools, yea,

[b] Job 29. 2.
[c] ch. 18. 6.
[d] or, *lamp.*
[e] Ps. 25. 14.
[f] Ge. 49. 11. De. 32. 13.
[‡] *with me.*
[g] ch. 21. 5.
[h] *voice of the nobles was hid.*
[i] Ps. 132. 9. Is. 61. 10. Ep. 5. 14. &c. 1 Th. 5. 8.
[k] Nu. 10. 31.
[l] Pr. 29. 7.
[m] *weeping.*
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[a] *cast.*
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[p] Ro. 11. 33, 34.
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[‡] *holes.*
[§] *added to take up.*

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children of [o] base men: they were viler than the earth.

9 And [o] now am I their song, yea, I am their byword.

10 They abhor me, they flee far from me, [†] and spare not [b] to spit in my face.

11 Because he [d] hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also let loose the bridle before me.

12 Upon *my* right *hand* rise the youth; they push away my feet, and they raise up against me the ways of their destruction.

13 They mar my path, they set forward my calamity, they have no helper.

14 They came *upon me* as a wide breaking in *of waters*: in the desolation they rolled themselves *upon me*.

15 Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue [‡] my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.

16 And [e] now my soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction have taken hold upon me.

17 My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest.

18 By the great force *of my disease* is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the collar of my coat.

19 He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up, and thou regardest me *not*.

21 Thou art [o] become cruel to me: with [†] thy strong hand thou opposest thyself against me.

22 Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride *upon it*, and dissolvest my [‡] substance.

23 For I know *that* thou wilt bring me *to* death, and *to* the house [f] appointed for all living.

24 Howbeit he will not stretch out *his* hand to the [‖] grave, though they cry in his destruction.

25 Did [m] not I weep for him that was [o] in trouble? was *not* my soul grieved for the poor?

26 When [n] I looked for good, then evil came *unto me*: and when I waited for light, there came darkness.

27 My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction prevented me.

28 I [p] went mourning without the sun: I stood up, *and* I cried in the congregation.

29 I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to [o] owls.

30 My [r] skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat.

31 My harp also is *turned* to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that weep.

CHAP. XXXI.

I MADE a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?

2 For what [s] portion of God *is there* from above? and *what* inheritance of the Almighty from on high?

3 *Is* not destruction to the wicked? and a strange *punishment* to the workers of iniquity?

4 Doth [t] not he see my ways, and count all my steps?

5 If I have walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit;

6 Let [o] me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity.

7 If my step hath turned out of the way, and [p] mine heart walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands;

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[o] *men of no name.*
[a] Ps. 35. 15. 69. 12. La. 3. 14, 63.
[†] *and withhold not spit before from my face.*
[b] Nu. 12. 14. De. 25. 9. Is. 50. 6. Mat. 26. 67.
[d] 2 Sa. 12. 11. Je. 8. 10.
[e] ch. 12. 18.
[o] Ge. 38. 24. Le. 20. 10. De. 22. 21, 22.
[‡] *my principal one.*
[f] Ps. 14. 31. 22. 2. Mal. 2. 10.
[§] or, *did he not fashion us in one womb?*
[g] Ps. 42. 4.
[‖] i. e. *the widow.*
[h] De. 24. 13.
[o] *turned to be cruel.*
[†] *the strength of thy hand.*
[‡] or, *wisdom.*
[§] or, *chancebone.*
[i] He. 9. 27.
[k] Is. 13. 6. Joel 1. 15.
[‖] *heap.*
[l] Mat. 10. 24. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[m] Ps. 35. 13, 14. Ro. 12. 15.
[n] *hard of day?*
[†] *formed.*
[o] Je. 8. 15.
[o] De. 4. 19.
[‡] *the light.*
[§] *bright.*
[‖] *hand hath kissed my mouth.*
[p] Ps. 42. 9.
[o] or, *ostriches.*
[r] Ps. 119. 83. La. 4. 8. 5. 10.
[s] Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 14.
[†] *palate.*
[t] Ro. 12. 12. He. 13. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 9.
[u] ch. 20. 29. 27. 13.
[‡] or, *way.*
[§] or, *after the manner of men.*
[o] He. 6. 7.
[x] Je. 32. 19.
[‖] or, *my sign is that the Almighty will.*
[o] *him weigh me in balances of justice.*
[y] Nu. 15. 39.

8 *Then* let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.

9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or *if* I have laid wait at my neighbour's door;

10 *Then* let my wife grind unto [o] another, and let others bow down upon her.

11 For this *is* an heinous crime; yea, [o] it *is* an iniquity *to be punished by* the judges.

12 For it *is* a fire *that* consumeth to destruction, and would root out all mine increase.

13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, when they contended with me;

14 What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer him?

15 Did [f] not he that made me in the womb make him? [§] and did not one fashion us in the womb?

16 If I have withheld the poor from *their* desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail;

17 Or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof;

18 (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as *with* a father, and I have guided [‖] her from my mother's womb;)

19 If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering;

20 If his loins have not [h] blessed me, and *if* he were *not* warmed with the fleece of my sheep;

21 If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, when I saw my help in the gate:

22 *Then* let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the [§] bone.

23 For [k] destruction *from* God *was a* terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure.

24 If [l] I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, *Thou art* my confidence;

25 If I rejoiced because my wealth *was* great, and because mine hand had [†] gotten much;

26 If [o] I beheld [‡] the sun when it shined, or the moon walking [§] *in* brightness;

27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my [‖] mouth hath kissed my hand:

28 This also *were* an iniquity *to be punished by* the judge: for I should have denied the God *that is* above.

29 If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found him:

30 Neither [o] have I suffered my [†] mouth to sin by wishing a curse to his soul.

31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.

32 The [s] stranger did not lodge in the street: *but* I opened my doors to the [‡] traveller.

33 If I covered my transgressions [§] as [o] Adam, by hiding mine iniquity in my bosom:

34 Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept silence, *and* went not out of the door?

35 Oh that one would hear me! behold, [‖] my desire *is, that* the Almighty would answer me, and *that* mine adversary had written a book.

36 Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, *and* bind it *as* a crown to me.

37 I would declare unto him the num-

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ber of my steps; as a prince would I go near unto him.

38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof ᵒ complain;

39 If ᵇ I have eaten the † fruits thereof without money, or have caused ‡ the owners thereof to lose their life:

40 Let thistles grow instead of wheat, and ᵒ cockle instead of barley. The words of Job are ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

SO these three men ceased to answer Job, because he *was* righteous in his own eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled, because he justified § himself rather than God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because they had found no answer, and *yet* had condemned Job.

4 Now Elihu had ‖ waited till Job had spoken, because they *were* ᵒ elder than he.

5 When Elihu saw that *there was* no answer in the mouth of *these* three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I *am* † young, and ye *are* very old; wherefore I was afraid, and § durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.

8 But *there is* a spirit in man: and *the* inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

9 Great ᵃ men are not *always* wise: neither do the aged understand judgment.

10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words; I gave ear to your ‡ reasons, whilst ye searched out ‖ what to say.

12 Yea, I attended unto you, and, behold, *there was* none of you that convinced Job, *or* that answered his words:

13 Lest ᵐ ye should say, We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

14 Now he hath not ᵒ directed *his* words against me: neither will I answer him with your speeches.

15 They were amazed, they answered no more: they ‡ left off speaking.

16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, *and* answered no more;)

17 *I said,* I will answer also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of ‖ matter, the spirit ᵒ within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly *is* as wine *which* ‡ hath no vent; it is ready to burst like new bottles.

20 I will speak, that I may § be refreshed: I will open my lips and answer.

21 Let me not, I pray you, ᵍ accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man.

22 For I know not to give flattering titles; *in so doing* my maker would soon take me away.

CHAP. XXXIII.

WHEREFORE, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and hearken to all my words.

2 Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my † mouth.

3 My words *shall be of* the uprightness of my heart: and my lips shall utter knowledge clearly.

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ᵃ Ge. 2. 7.
ᵇ *sweep.*
ᵒ Ja. 3. 4.
† *strength.*
‡ *the soul of the owners thereof to expire,* or, *breathe out*
ᵉ eh. 31. 35.
§ *mouth.*
‖ *cut.*
ᵒ or, *noisome weeds.*
ᵈ eh. 13. 21.
† *from answering.*
‡ *ears.*
ᵈ eh. 9. 17. 10. 7. 14. 7. 22. 10, 11. 29. 14.
§ *his soul.*
‖ *expected Job in words*
ᵒ *elder for days.*
ᶠ Is. 45. 9.
† *he answereth not.*
ᵍ Ps. 62. 11.
‡ *few of days*
ʰ Nu. 12. 6.
§ *feared.*
‖ *revealeth,* or, *uncovereth.*
ⁱ Mat. 11. 25. Ja. 1. 5.
ᵒ *work.*
ᵏ 1 Co. 1. 26.
† *passing.*
ˡ Ps. 107. 18.
‡ *understandings.*
§ *meat of desire.*
‖ *words.*
ᵐ Je. 9. 23.
ᵒ or, *ordered.*
† or, *an atonement.*
‡ *removed speeches from themselves.*
§ *childhood.*
‖ *words.*
ᵒ *of my belly.*
† or, *shall look upon men, and say, &c.*
‡ *is not opened.*
ᵐ 2 Sa. 12. 13. Lu. 15. 21. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
ᵒ Ro. 6. 21.
§ *breathe.*
‖ or, *hath delivered my soul, &c. and my life.*
ᵖ Is. 38. 17.
ᵍ Le. 19. 15. Mat. 22. 16.
ᵒ *twice and thrice.*
ʳ Ps. 34. 11.
† *palate.*

4 The ᵃ Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.

5 If thou canst answer me, set *thy words* in order before me, stand up.

6 Behold, ᶜ I *am* according to thy § wish in God's stead: I also am ‖ formed out of the clay.

7 Behold, ᵈ my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.

8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine ‡ hearing, and I have heard the voice of *thy* words, *saying,*

9 I ᵉ am clean without transgression, I *am* innocent; neither *is there* iniquity in me.

10 Behold, he findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his enemy,

11 He putteth my ‖ feet in the stocks, he marketh all my paths.

12 Behold, *in* this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that God is greater than man.

13 Why dost thou ᶠ strive against him? for † he giveth not account of any of his matters.

14 For ᵍ God speaketh once, yea twice, *yet man* perceiveth it not.

15 In ʰ a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed;

16 Then he ‖ openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction,

17 That he may withdraw man *from his* ᵒ purpose, and hide pride from man.

18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from † perishing by the sword.

19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong *pain:*

20 So ⁱ that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul § dainty meat.

21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones *that* were not seen stick out.

22 Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers.

23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness:

24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found † a ransom.

25 His flesh shall be fresher than § a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:

26 He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall ‖ see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.

27 He † looketh upon men, and *if any* say, ᵐ I have sinned, and perverted *that which was* right, and it ᵒ profited me not;

28 He ‖ will ᵖ deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.

29 Lo, all these *things* worketh God ᵒ oftentimes with man,

30 To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.

31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.

33 If not, ʳ hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

CHAP. XXXIV.

FURTHERMORE Elihu answered and said,

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2 Hear my words, O ye wise men; and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.
3 For the ear trieth words, as the [o] mouth tasteth meat.
4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what *is* good.
5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and [p] God hath taken away my judgment.
6 Should I lie against my right? [†] my wound *is* incurable without transgression.
7 What man is like Job, *who* drinketh up scorning like water?
8 Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with wicked men.
9 For [a] he hath said, It profiteth a man nothing that he should delight himself with God.
10 Therefore hearken unto me, ye men of [b] understanding: [c] far be it from God, *that he should do* wickedness; and *from* the Almighty, *that he should commit* iniquity.
11 For [d] the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to *his* ways.
12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment.
13 Who hath given him a charge over the earth? or who hath disposed [§] the whole world?
14 If he set his heart [‡] upon man, *if* he [e] gather unto himself his spirit and his breath;
15 All [f] flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.
16 If now *thou hast* understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice of my words.
17 Shall [g] even he that hateth right [h] govern? and wilt thou condemn him that is most just?
18 *Is it fit* to say to a king, *Thou art* wicked? *and* to princes, *Ye are* ungodly?
19 *How much less to him* that [i] accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the poor? for they all *are* the work of his hands.
20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and [†] the mighty shall be taken away without hand.
21 For [r] his eyes *are* upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.
22 *There* [s] *is* no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.
23 For he will not lay upon man more *than right;* that he should [t] enter into judgment with God.
24 He [u] shall break in pieces mighty men without [v] number, and set others in their stead.
25 Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth *them* in the night, so that they are [†] destroyed.
26 He striketh them as wicked men in the [§] open sight of others;
27 Because they [w] turned back from [‖] him, and would not consider any of his ways:
28 So that they [x] cause the cry of the poor to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.
29 When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth *his* face, who then can behold him? whether *it be done* against a nation, or against a man only:
30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest [y] the people be ensnared.
31 Surely it is meet to be said unto God, I have borne *chastisement*, I will not offend *any more:*
32 *That which* I see not teach thou me: if I have done iniquity, I will do no more.
33 *Should it be* [‡] according to thy mind? he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not I: therefore speak what thou knowest.
34 Let men of [§] understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken unto me.
35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words *were* without wisdom.
36 ¶ My desire *is that* Job may be tried unto the end because of *his* answers for wicked men.
37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, he clappeth *his hands* among us, and multiplieth his words against God.

CHAP. XXXV.

ELIHU spake moreover, and said,
2 Thinkest thou this to be right, *that* thou saidst, My righteousness *is* more than God's?
3 For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? *and*, What profit shall I have, [†] *if I be cleansed* from my sin?
4 I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee.
5 Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds *which* are higher than thou.
6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou [/] against him? or *if* thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto him?
7 If [‖] thou be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receiveth he of thine hand?
8 Thy wickedness *may hurt* a man as thou *art;* and thy righteousness *may profit* the son of man.
9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make *the oppressed* to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.
10 But none saith, [m] Where *is* God my maker, [n] who giveth songs in the night;
11 Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us wiser than the fowls of heaven?
12 There [o] they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.
13 Surely [p] God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.
14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, *yet* judgment *is* before him; therefore [q] trust thou in him.
15 But now, because *it is* not so, [†] he hath [r] visited in his anger; yet [§] he knoweth *it* not in great extremity:
16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge.

CHAP. XXXVI.

ELIHU also proceeded, and said,
2 Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee that [‖] *I have* yet to speak on God's behalf.
3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.
4 For truly my words *shall* not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge *is* with thee.
5 Behold, God *is* mighty, and despiseth not *any:* [s] *he is* mighty in strength *and* [*] wisdom.
6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the [†] poor.
7 He [a] withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but [b] with kings *are they* on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.
8 And [c] if *they be* bound in fetters, *and* be holden in cords of affliction;

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[o] *palate.*
[†] *from with thee?*
[a] ch. 27. 2.
[‡] *mine arrow,* ch. 6. 4.
[§] *heart.*
[‖] or, *My father, let Job be tried.*
[b] Mal. 3. 14.
[*] *heart.*
[c] Ge. 18. 25. Ro. 9. 14.
[d] Exo. 33. 20. Mat. 16. 27. Ro. 2. 6. 2 Co. 5. 10. 1 Pe. 1. 17. Re. 22. 12.
[†] or, by it *more than by my sin?*
[‡] *return to thee words.*
[§] *all of it.*
[‖] *upon him.*
[e] Ps. 104. 29.
[f] Pr. 8. 36. Ja. 7. 19.
[g] Ge. 3. 19.
[h] Ps. 16. 2. Pr. 9. 12. Ro. 11. 35.
[i] Ge. 18. 25. 2 Sa. 23. 3.
[*] *kind.*
[k] Ex. 22. 28.
[l] Ac. 10. 34. Ga. 2. 6. Ep. 6. 9.
[m] Is. 51. 13.
[n] Ps. 42. 8. 149. 5. Ac. 16. 25.
[o] Pr. 1. 28.
[†] *they shall take away the mighty.*
[p] Pr. 15. 29. Is. 1. 15. Je. 11. 11.
[r] Je. 16. 17. 32. 19.
[s] He. 4. 13.
[t] Ps. 37. 5, 6.
[‡] i. e. *God.*
[u] Ps. 89. 32.
[§] i. e. *Job.*
[‖] *go.*
[v] De. 2. 21.
[*] *searching out.*
[†] *crushed.*
[‡] there are *yet words for God.*
[§] *place of beholders.*
[w] 1 Sa. 15. 11. [‖] *after him.*
[x] Ja. 5. 4.
[y] Ps. 99. 4.
[*] *heart.*
[†] or *afflicted.*
[a] Ps. 33. 18. 34. 15.
[b] Ps. 113. 8.
[c] 1 Ki. 12. 28, 30. 2 Ki. 21. 9.
[d] Ps. 107. 10.

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9 Then he sheweth them their work, and their transgressions that they have exceeded.

10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.

11 If they obey and serve *him*, they shall [e] spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.

12 But if they obey not, they shall † perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart [d] heap up wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.

14 ‖ They [e] die in youth, and their life *is* among the † unclean.

15 He delivereth the ‡ poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.

16 Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait, *f* *into* a broad place, where *there is* no straitness; and § that [h] which should be *set* on thy table *should be* full of *f* fatness.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: judgment and justice [e] take hold *on thee*.

18 Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest he take thee away with *his* stroke: then *f* a great ransom cannot † deliver thee.

19 Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, [m] regard not iniquity: for [e] this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.

22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who [p] teacheth like him?

23 Who [r] hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?

24 Remember that [s] thou magnify his work, which men behold.

25 Every man may see it; man may behold *it* afar off.

26 Behold, God *is* great, and we [u] know *him* not, [v] neither can the number of his years be searched out.

27 For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly.

29 Also can *any* understand the spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of his tabernacle?

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light upon it, and covereth § the bottom of the sea.

31 For by them judgeth he the people; he [e] giveth meat in abundance.

32 With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine* by *the cloud* that cometh betwixt.

33 The [d] noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning † the vapour.

CHAP. XXXVII.

AT this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

2 Hear ‖ attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.

3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his [e] lightning unto the † ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.

5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice; [e] great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For [b] he saith to the snow, Be thou *on* the earth; [e] likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength.

7 He sealeth up the hand of every man; that all men may know his work.

8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.

9 Out of the ‡ south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of the § north.

10 By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened.

11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth [e] his bright cloud:

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He [f] causeth it to come, whether for ‖ correction, or for his land, or † for mercy.

14 Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and [g] consider the wondrous works of God.

15 Dost thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?

16 Dost thou know the balancings of the clouds, the wondrous works of him which is perfect in knowledge?

17 How thy garments *are* warm, when he quieteth the earth by the south *wind*?

18 Hast thou with him [m] spread out the sky, *which is* strong, *and* as a molten looking glass?

19 Teach us what we shall say unto him; *for* we cannot order *our speech* by reason of darkness.

20 Shall it be told him that I speak? if a man speak, surely he shall be swallowed up.

21 And now *men* see not the bright light which *is* in the clouds: but the wind passeth, and cleanseth them.

22 † Fair weather cometh out of the north: with God *is* terrible majesty.

23 *Touching* the Almighty, [t] we cannot find him out: *he is* excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice; he will not afflict.

24 Men do therefore [x] fear him: he respecteth not any *that are* [y] wise of heart.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

THEN the LORD answered Job [a] out of the whirlwind, and said,

2 Who *is* this that [c] darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

3 Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and [g] answer thou me.

4 Where [h] wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou [c] hast understanding.

5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

6 Whereupon are the ‡ foundations thereof § fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8 Or [e] *who* shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, *as if* it had issued out of the womb?

9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddling-band for it,

10 And ‡ brake up for it my decreed *place*, and set bars and doors,

11 And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall § thy proud waves be stayed?

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[e] Ro. 15. 3.
[b] Ps. 147. 16, 17
[c] *and to the shower of rain, and to the shower of his strength.*
[e] Is. 1. 19, 20.
† *pass away.*
‡ *chamber.*
§ *scattering winds.*
[d] Ro. 2. 5.
‖ *Their soul dieth.*
[e] Ps. 55. 23.
[e] *the cloud of his light.*
† or, *sodomites.* De. 23. 17.
‡ or, *afflicted.*
[f] Ps. 21. 5. 119. 5.
[g] Ex. 9. 18, 23. 1 Sa. 12. 18, 19
§ *the rest of thy table.*
[h] Ps. 23. 5.
‖ *a rod.*
† 2 Sa. 21. 10.
[j] Ps. 36. 6.
[k] Ps. 111. 2.
[e] or, *should uphold.*
[l] Ps. 49. 7.
† *turn thee aside.*
[m] Ge. 1. 6. Is. 44. 24.
[n] Ps. 65. 18.
[p] He. 11. 25.
[r] Is 40. 13, 14. Ro. 11. 34. 1 Co. 2. 16.
[s] ch. 34. 13.
[t] Re. 15. 3.
‡ *Gold.*
[u] 1 Ti. 6. 16.
[v] 1 Co. 13. 12.
[x] Ps. 90. 2. 102. 24, 27 He. 1. 12.
[x] Mat. 10. 28.
[y] Mat. 11. 25. 1 Co. 1. 26.
[a] Ex. 19. 16, 19. 1 Ki. 19. 11. Eze. 1. 4. Na. 1. 3.
[c] Ro. 1. 22. 1 Ti. 1. 7.
§ *the roots.*
‖ *make me know.*
[b] Pr. 8. 29.
[c] Ps. 136. 25. Ac. 14. 17.
[e] *knowest.*
[d] 1 Ki. 18. 41, 45.
† *that which goeth up.*
‡ *sockets.*
§ *made to sink.*
‖ *in hearing.*
[e] Ge. 1. 9. Ps. 33. 7. Je. 5. 22.
[e] *light.*
† *wings.*
‡ or, *established my decree upon it.*
§ *the pride of thy waves.*

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12 Hast thou [a] commanded the morning since thy days; *and* caused the dayspring to know his place;
13 That it might take hold of the [b] ends of the earth, that [c] the wicked might be shaken out of it?
14 It is turned as clay *to* the seal; and they stand as a garment.
15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and [d] the high arm shall be broken.
16 Hast thou [e] entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?
17 Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?
18 Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all.
19 Where *is the way where* light dwelleth? and *as for* darkness, where *is* the place thereof,
20 That thou shouldest take it § to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths *to* the house thereof?
21 Knowest thou *it*, because thou wast then born? or *because* the number of thy days *is* great?
22 Hast thou entered into the [h] treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,
23 Which [i] I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?
24 By what way is the light parted, *which* scattereth the east wind upon the earth?
25 Who [k] hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the lightning of thunder;
26 To cause it to rain on the earth, *where* no man *is; on* the wilderness, wherein *there is* no man;
27 To [l] satisfy the desolate and waste *ground;* and to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?
28 Hath [m] the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew?
29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the [n] hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?
30 The waters are hid as *with* a stone, and the face of the deep [o] is frozen.
31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of †Pleiades, or loose the bands of ‡ Orion?
32 Canst thou bring forth § Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou [p] guide Arcturus with his sons?
33 Knowest thou [r] the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?
34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?
35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, § Here we *are?*
36 Who [t] hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?
37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can [u] stay the bottles of heaven
38 When the dust [v] groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?
39 Wilt [w] thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill [x] the appetite of the young lions,
40 When they couch in *their* dens, *and* abide in the covert to lie in wait?
41 Who [y] provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat.

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[a] Ps. 74. 16. 148. 5.
[b] *wings.*
[c] Ps. 29. 9.
[d] Ps. 104. 35
[e] Ps. 10. 15.
[f] Ps. 77. 19.
[g] Je. 2. 24. Ho. 8. 9.
† *salt places.*
‡ *exactor.* ch. 3. 18.
§ or, *at.*
[h] Nu. 23. 22. De. 33. 17.
[i] Ps. 135. 7.
[k] Ex. 9. 18. Jos. 10. 11. Is. 30. 30. Eze. 13. 11, 13. Re. 16. 21.
|| *or, the feathers of the stork and ostrich*
[l] ch. 28. 26.
[m] Ps. 107. 35.
[n] La. 4. 3.
[o] Je. 14. 22. Ps. 147. 6.
[p] ch. 35. 11.
[q] Ps. 147. 16.
[r] *is taken.*
† *Cimah,* or, *the seven stars.* ch. 9. 9. Am. 5. 8.
‡ *Cesil.*
§ *terror.*
|| or, *the twelve signs.*
[t] *made them.*
† or, *His feet dig.* Ju. 5. 22.
[u] Je. 8. 6.
[v] Je. 31. 35.
‡ *armour.*
§ *Behold us.*
[t] ch. 32. 8. Ps. 51. 6. Ec. 2. 26.
|| *causes to lie down.*
[o] *is poured,* or, *is turned into mire.*
† *by thy mouth.*
[u] Je. 49. 16. Ob. 4.
[v] Ps. 104. 21. 145. 15.
‡ *the lift.*
[w] Ps. 147. 9. Mat. 6. 26.
[y] Eze. 39. 17.. 19. Mat. 24. 28. Lu. 17. 37.

CHAP. XXXIX.

KNOWEST thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? *or* canst thou mark when [a] the hinds do calve?
2 Canst thou number the months *that* they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?
3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.
4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they go *forth,* and return not unto them.
5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?
6 Whose [f] house I have made the wilderness, and the [g] barren land his dwellings.
7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the [i] driver.
8 The range of the mountains *is* his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.
9 Will the [k] unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?
10 Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the vallies after thee?
11 Wilt thou trust him, because his strength *is* great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?
12 Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather *it into* thy barn?
13 *Gavest thou* the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or [l] wings and feathers unto the ostrich?
14 Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,
15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.
16 She is [m] hardened against her young ones, as though *they were* not her's: her labour is in vain without fear;
17 Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he [n] imparted to her understanding.
18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.
19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?
20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the glory of his nostrils § *is* terrible.
21 † He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in *his* strength: [r] he goeth on to meet the [t] armed men.
22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.
23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.
24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that *it is* the sound of the trumpet.
25 He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.
26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, *and* stretch her wings toward the south?
27 Doth the eagle mount up † at thy command, and [v] make her nest on high?
28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.
29 From thence she seeketh the prey, *and* her eyes behold afar off.
30 Her young ones also suck up blood: and [y] where the slain *are,* there *is* she.

[a] Ps. 74. 16. 148. 5.
[b] *wings.*
[c] Ps. 29. 9.
[d] Ps. 104. 35
[e] Ps. 10. 15.
[f] Ps. 77. 19.
[g] Je. 2. 24. Ho. 8. 9.
† *salt places.*
‡ *exactor.* ch. 3. 18.
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[h] Nu. 23. 22. De. 33. 17.
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[l] ch. 28. 26.
[m] Ps. 107. 35.
[n] La. 4. 3.
[o] Je. 14. 22. Ps. 147. 6.
[p] ch. 35. 11.
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[v] Ps. 104. 21. 145. 15.
‡ *the lift.*
[w] Ps. 147. 9. Mat. 6. 26.
[y] Eze. 39. 17.. 19. Mat. 24. 28. Lu. 17. 37.

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CHAP. XL.

MOREOVER the LORD answered Job, and said,

2 Shall he that [a] contendeth with the Almighty instruct *him*? he [b] that reproveth God, let him answer it.

3 ¶ Then Job answered the LORD, and said,

4 Behold, [c] I am vile; what shall I answer thee? [d] I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.

5 Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further.

6 ¶ Then [e] answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

7 Gird up thy loins now like a man: [f] I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

8 Wilt [g] thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous?

9 Hast thou an arm like God? or canst thou thunder with [h] a voice like him?

10 Deck [i] thyself now *with* majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.

11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one *that is* proud, and abase him.

12 Look on every one *that is* [m] proud, *and* bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place.

13 Hide them in the dust together; *and* bind their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can save thee.

15 ¶ Behold now [k] behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.

16 Lo now, his strength *is* in his loins, and his force *is* in the navel of his belly.

17 He [*]moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

18 His bones *are as* strong pieces of brass; his bones *are* like bars of iron.

19 He *is* the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach *unto him*.

20 Surely the mountains bring him forth [n]food, where all the beasts of the field play.

21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.

22 The shady trees cover him *with* their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about.

23 Behold, he [§]drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.

24 ‖ He taketh it with his eyes: *his* nose pierceth through snares.

CHAP. XLI.

CANST thou draw [*] out [†]leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord *which* thou [‡]lettest down?

2 Canst thou [*]put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?

3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft *words* unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?

5 Wilt thou play with him as *with* a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

8 Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

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[a] ch. 33. 13. Ec. 6. 10. Is. 45. 9. 50. 8. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[b] Exo. 18. 7. Mat. 26. 11. 12. Ro. 9. 19. 21. 11. 34, 35.
[c] Ro. 11. 35.
[d] Ex. 19. 5. De. 10. 14. Ps. 24. 1. 50. 12. 1 Co. 10. 26, 28.
[e] Exr. 9. 6. Ps. 51. 4.
[f] ch. 29. 9. Ps. 39. 9.
[g] or, *within*.
[h] ch. 38. 1.
[i] † *strong pieces of shields.*
[k] ch. 42. 4.
[l] Ro. 3. 4.
[m] Ps. 29. 3, 4.
[n] Ps. 93. 1 104. 1.
[m] Is. 2. 12. Da. 4. 37.
[*] ‡ *sorrow rejoiceth.*
[§] *fallings.*
[‖] or, *the elephant*, as some think
[*] or, *setteth up.*
[†] or, *breastplate.*
[n] Ps. 104. 14.
[‡] *pieces of potsherd.*
[§] *oppresseth.*
[‖] or, *Will any take him in his sight, or bore his nose with a gin?*
[*] or, *who behave themselves without fear.*
[*] Ps. 104. 26. Is. 27. 1.
[†] That is, a *whale*, or, *a whirlpool.*
[‡] *drowsiness.*
[p] Ge. 18. 14. Mat. 19. 26. Mar. 14. 36. Is. 37. 29
[§] or, *no thought of thine can be hindered.*
[s] Jno. 2. 24, 25. 21. 17. He. 4. 12, 13.
[t] Ps. 40. 5. 131. 1. 139. 6.
[u] ch. 40. 7.
[*] Exr. 9. 6. Lu. 15. 18, 19 1 Co. 15. 8, 9. 1 Ti. 1. 13.. 16.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him?

10 None *is so* fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?

11 Who [*] hath prevented me, that I should repay *him*? [p] *whatsoever* is under the whole heaven is mine.

12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discover the face of his garment? *or* who can come *to him* [*] with his double bridle?

14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth *are* terrible round about.

15 *His* [†] scales *are his* pride, shut up together *as with* a close seal.

16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.

17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes *are* like the eyelids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, *and* sparks of fire leap out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as *out* of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his neck remaineth strength, and ‡ sorrow is turned into joy before him.

23 The [§] flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.

24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether *millstone*.

25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the [†] habergeon.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, *and* brass as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

30 Sharp [‡] stones *are* under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.

31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him; *one* would think the deep *to be* hoary.

33 Upon earth there is not his like, [*] who is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth all high *things*: he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

CHAP. XLII.

THEN Job answered the LORD, and said,

2 I know that thou [p] canst do every *thing*, and *that* [§] no thought [s] can be withholden from thee.

3 Who *is* he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; [t] things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.

4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: [u] I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

6 Wherefore I [*] abhor *myself*, and repent in dust and ashes.

7 ¶ And it was *so*, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD

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said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me *the thing that is* right, as my servant Job *hath*.

8 Therefore take unto you now [b] seven bullocks and seven rams, and [c] go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray *f* for you: for [e] him will I accept: lest I deal with you *after your* folly, in that ye have not spoken of me *the thing which is* right, like my servant Job.

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite *and* Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted [f] Job.

10 And [g] the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD [‡] gave Job [h] twice as much as he had before.

11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that *had been* of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and [i] they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

12 So [k] the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had [l] fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

13 He had also seven sons and three daughters.

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Kerenhappuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found *so* fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, *even* four generations.

17 So Job died, *being* old and [m] full of days.

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[a] Jno. 11. 19. Ro. 13. 15. 1 Co. 12 26. He. 12. 12.
[b] Nu. 23. 1.
[c] Mat. 5. 24.
[d] 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[e] Ja. 5. 11. ch. 1. 3.
[f] Ge. 20. 17. Ja. 5. 15, 16. 1 Jno. 5. 16.
[g] *his face*, or, *person*. 1 Sa. 25 35. Mal. 1. 8.
[h] *the face of Job.*
[i] Ps. 126. 1.
[‡] *added all that had been to Job unto the double.*
[k] Is. 40. 2.
[l] Ps. 91. 16.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I.—THE SHEIK. Sheik is a term signifying 'an old man,' and is used to designate the heads of tribes: it is also given to the governor or magistrate of a small town. The manners and customs of the Arabians have continued unchangeable as the sands and rocks of their deserts, and afford a fair specimen of the days of Abraham and of Job. Abraham, with his three hundred and eighteen servants able to bear arms, would be looked upon with high respect were he now in the Arabian deserts or their vicinity, for some Arabian tribes can bring no more than three or four hundred horsemen into the field. Job would have ranked among modern emirs: for, in ch. 1. 3, 'we have a description of the wealth of an Arab ruler or chief, similar to that of those who are at this day called emirs. Indeed, the whole description in the book is that which is applicable to the chief of a tribe. The possessions referred to in this verse would constitute no inconsiderable wealth anywhere, and particularly among the nomadic tribes of the East. Their circumstances require them to live in moveable tents, hence houses are not mentioned as a part of the wealth of this emir. Job's wealth has been computed to have amounted to about thirty or forty thousand pounds sterling, and even at the present day such possessions would be regarded as constituting a great wealth in Arabia. The condition of Job we are therefore to regard as that of a rich Arabic emir, and his mode of life as between the nomadic pastoral life and the settled manner of living in communities like ours. This mixed condition of life, which is still frequently exhibited in Western Asia, will probably account sufficiently for the diversified character of the allusions and pictures which the book contains. In Job's case we see to what great trials good men may be exposed—how beneficial such trials are for the purifying of the heart—and how graciously the giver of our mercies ultimately rewards us for all that he may please for a while to take away.

CH. XXXIX.—THE OSTRICH. The Ostrich seems to constitute the link which unites the feathered tribe with quadrupeds, its feathers of its body more resembling the hair of a quadruped than the plumage of a bird; and its internal parts bear as great a resemblance to the one class of animals as to the other. In size this creature is very often found between seven and eight feet in height from the ground to the top of the head; but to the top of the back only four feet. In length, from the top of the head to the rump, when the neck is extended in a right line with the body, it is six feet. The length of the tail is about one foot, and the breadth of the wing, exclusive of the feathers, one foot and a half; but including the feathers, three feet. The head and bill of this bird in form are somewhat like those of the duck, its neck like that of a swan, but longer, and generally straight: and its legs and thighs are somewhat like those of a hen. The plumage of this bird is a mixture of black and white. The largest feathers, situated at the extremity of the wings and tail, are exceedingly white. It has a long and cloven foot, with which it runs with extraordinary swiftness, aided by its wings, and so distances the fleetest horse of Arabia. Its digestive powers enables it to swallow leather, grass, hair, iron, stones, or in fact, almost any thing. This bird is found in large flocks in the burning deserts of Africa, but they often live in pairs, and are emblems of connubial adelity. The female will lay forty or fifty eggs, which weigh upwards of fifteen pounds each. It is not true, however, that she abandons them to the nurture of the sun. She is timid, and when alarmed will forsake them; and she often wanders far in search of food, and her long absence causes them to become addled. This explains verses 16—18 of this chapter.

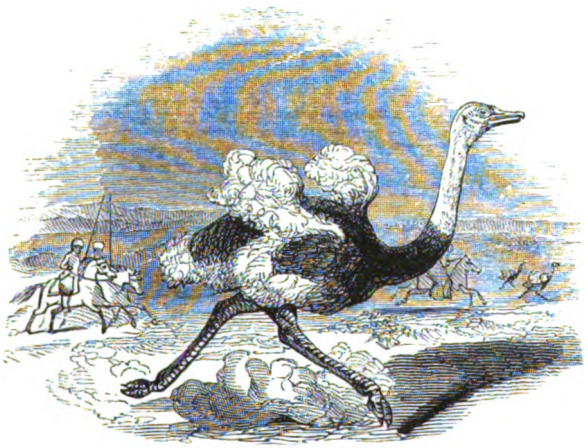
CH. XL.—BEHEMOTH, probably the hippopotamus. Some have understood this to mean the elephant, and some an extinct species. But some of the peculiar features of the elephant are altogether unnoticed. The hippopotamus inhabits the rivers of Africa, and the lakes of Abyssinia and Ethiopia. In size it resembles the rhinoceros. It measures in length sixteen or seventeen feet, in circumference fifteen, and in height seven. Head, three feet and a half long. Its jaws extend two feet, armed with four cutting teeth, each a foot long. It dwells in the water, yet has no membranes to its feet. It has a thick, impenetrable, and nearly naked dark skin. Even its belly is not vulnerable, from being dragged over the hard stones of the river. The tail is indeed very short, but it is thicker and firmer than that of the elephant. The animal subsists chiefly on roots and vegetables, in search of which it visits the shore at night. He is naturally quiet, but furious when provoked. His voice is harsh and loud. He is sometimes taken by snares. Animals such as here described are only some among numerous evidences of the power of God, in creating, sustaining, and controlling his creatures.

CH. XLI.—LEVIATHAN, supposed to mean the crocodile. The old commentators understood it to mean the whale, but since the scrutiny of the celebrated Bochart, the decision is general that the crocodile is intended. The whale tribes neither occupy the Mediterranean, nor the rivers that empty themselves into it. Whales have neither a proper snout, nostrils, nor proper teeth: the eyes are exceedingly small, compared with the size of the fish: nor is the whale distinguished by fierce habits or unconquerable courage. But the crocodile inhabits Asiatic and African rivers, is of enormous voracity and strength, as well as fleetness in swimming, and attacks mankind and the largest animals with the most daring impetuosity. When taken by means of a powerful net, it will overturn the boats that surround it; has, proportionally, the largest mouth of any monster whatever; moves both its jaws equally, the upper, which has not less than forty, and the lower than thirty-eight large teeth; and is furnished with a coat of mail so scaly and callous as to resist the force of a musket ball in every part, except under the belly. In the days of Herodotus, one mode of taking this monster was by means of a hook, baited with a hog's chine, and thrown into the river: the crocodile, swallowing the hook, was drawn on shore, and despatched.

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ARAB SHEIK.—Job i.

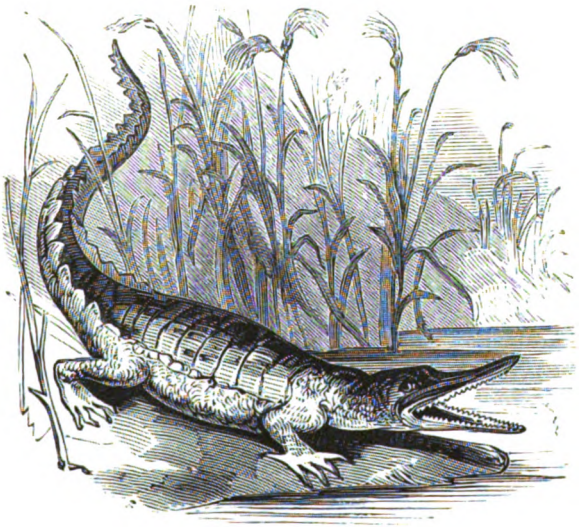


THE OSTRICH.—*From Nature.*—Job. xxxix. 13.

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THE HIPPOPOTAMUS.—*Ency. Brit.*—Job. xl. 15.



THE CROCODILE.—*From Nature.*—Job xli. 1.

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The Book of PSALMS.

Hymns or praises, written by different persons at different periods; many are by David, but some refer to historical events long after his time, such as the Babylonish captivity. Many passages are prophetical.

PSALM I.

BLESSED [a] *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the [b] ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, [b] nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

2 But [c] his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; [d] and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree [f] planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not † wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall [g] prosper.

4 The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* [h] like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For [i] the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM II.

WHY [l] do the heathen ‖ rage, and the people [b] imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his [c] anointed, *saying*,

3 Let [r] us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that sitteth in the heavens [s] shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and † vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I ‡ set my king upon § my holy hill of Zion.

7 I will declare ‖ the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, [t] Thou *art* my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

8 Ask [u] of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth *for* thy possession.

9 Thou [v] shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

11 Serve [x] the LORD with fear, and rejoice [a] with trembling.

12 Kiss [b] the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when [c] his wrath is kindled but a little. [d] Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him.

PSALM III.

A Psalm of David, [f] when he fled from Absalom his son.

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me? many *are* they that rise up against me.

2 Many *there be* which say of my soul, *There is* no help for him in God. Selah.

3 But thou, O LORD, *art* a shield † for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.

5 I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.

[a] Pr. 4. 14, 15.
[b] or, *wicked.*
[b] Jo. 15. 17.
[b] Ps. 119. 35.
[c] Jos. 1. 8.
[d] Is. 63. 11. Je. 3. 22. Re. 7. 10.
[f] Je. 17. 8.
† *fade.*
‡ or, *overseer* Hab. 3. 19.
[g] Is. 3. 10.
[h] Job 21. 18. Ho. 13. 3.
§ or, *be gracious unto.*
[i] Jno. 10. 14. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[l] 1 Pe. 2. 9. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[l] Ac. 4. 25, 26.
‖ or, *tumultuously assemble.*
[b] *meditate.*
[c] Ep. 4. 26.
[r] Ps. 77. 6.
[s] 2 Co. 13. 5.
[t] Jno. 1. 41.
[u] Ps. 51. 19. De. 33. 19.
[v] Lu. 19. 14.
[x] Pr. 1. 23.
[t] Nu. 6. 26.
[a] Is. 9. 3.
† or, *trouble.*
‡ *anointed.*
§ *Zion, the hill of my holiness.*
‖ or, *for a decree.*
[b] Ac. 13. 33. He. 1. 5. b. 5.
[c] Jno. 17. 4, 5. 19. 15.
[d] Re. 2. 27.
[f] He. 12. 28
[a] Phi. 2. 12.
[b] Jno. 5. 23.
[c] Re. 6. 16, 17.
[d] *before thine eyes.*
[d] Ho. 9. 33. 1 Pe. 2. 6.
[f] Re. 21. 8.
† *man of bloods and deceit.*
[f] 2 Sa. xv.. xviii.
‡ *the temple of thy holiness.*
§ *those which observe me.*
‖ or, *stedfastness.*
[a] *his mouth,* i. e. *in the mouth of anyof them*
† or, *about.*
‡ *wickednesses.*
§ or, *Make them guilty*
‖ or, *from their counsels.*

6 I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set *themselves* against me round about.

7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies *upon* the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

8 Salvation [e] *belongeth* unto the LORD. thy blessing *is* upon thy people. Selah.

PSALM IV.

To the ‡ chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm of David.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me *when I was* in distress; § have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long *will ye turn* my glory into shame? *how long* will ye love vanity, *and* seek after leasing? Selah.

3 But know that [b] the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

4 Stand [m] in awe, and sin not: [n] commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.

5 Offer [p] the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

6 *There be* many that say, Who will shew us *any* good? [r] LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

7 Thou hast put [s] gladness in my heart, more than in the time *that* their corn and their wine increased.

8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM V.

To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, A Psalm of David.

GIVE ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.

3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up.

4 For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.

5 The foolish shall not stand [d] in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

6 Thou [e] shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the † bloody and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy; *and* in thy fear will I worship toward ‡ thy holy temple.

8 Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of § mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.

9 For *there is* no ‖ faithfulness in [b] their mouth; their inward part *is* † very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.

10 § Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall ‖ by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgres-

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sions; for they have rebelled against thee.
11 But let all those that put their trust in thee [a] rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou [•] defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.
12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou [‡] compass him as *with* a shield.

PSALM VI.

To the chief Musician on Neginoth upon [§] Sheminith. A Psalm of David.

O LORD, [a] rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.
2 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; for I *am* weak: O LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.
3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, [b] how long?
4 Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.
5 For [c] in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?
6 I am weary with my groaning; [•] all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.
7 Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.
8 Depart [d] from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.
9 The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer.
10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return *and* be ashamed suddenly.

PSALM VII.

Shiggaion [e] of David, which he sang unto the LORD, [•] concerning the [‡] words of Cush the Benjamite.

O LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me:
2 Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending *it* in pieces, while *there is* [§] none to deliver.
3 O LORD my God, if I have done this; if there be iniquity in my hands;
4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that was at peace with me; (yea, [f] I have delivered him that without cause is mine enemy:)
5 Let the enemy persecute my soul, and take *it;* yea, let him tread down my life upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.
6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage of mine enemies: and awake for me *to* the judgment *that* thou hast commanded.
7 So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about: for their sakes therefore return thou on high.
8 The [g] LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity *that is* in me.
9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: [‖] for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.
10 My [§] defence *is* of God, which saveth the upright in heart.
11 God [‖] judgeth the righteous, and God is angry *with the wicked* every day.
12 If he turn not, he will [•] whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.
13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.
14 Behold, [†] he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood.
15 He [†] made a pit, and digged it, [•] and is fallen into the ditch *which* he made.
16 His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate.
17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

PSALM VIII.

To the chief Musician upon [•] Gittith, A Psalm of David.

O LORD our Lord, how [f] excellent *is* thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.
2 Out [h] of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou [‖] ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.
3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;
4 What [j] is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?
5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.
6 Thou [‡] madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; [•] thou hast put all *things* under his feet:
7 [†] All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;
8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and whatsoever* passeth through the paths of the seas.
9 O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth!

PSALM IX.

To the chief Musician upon Muth-labben, A Psalm of David.

I WILL praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.
2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.
3 When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.
4 For thou hast [‖] maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging [•] right.
5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked, thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.
6 [†] O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: and thou hast destroyed cities; their memorial is perished with them.
7 But [‡] the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgment.
8 And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness.
9 The LORD also will be [§] a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.
10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.
11 Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings.
12 When [•] he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he forgetteth not the cry of the [•] humble.

[a] Is. 65. 13.
[b] Is. 33. 11. 59. 4. Ja. 1. 15.
[•] *covereth over, or, protecteth.*
[†] *hath digged.*
[c] Ec. 7. 10. Job 4. 8. Pr. 5. 22. 26. 27. Ec. 10. 8.
[‡] *crown.*
[§] or, *the eighth.* 1 Ch. 15. 21.
[d] Je. 46. 28.
[e] Ps. 81, 84, title.
[f] Ps. 148. 13.
[g] Ps. 90. 13.
[h] Mat. 11. 25. 21. 16. 1 Co. 1. 27.
[i] Is. 38. 18.
[‖] *founded.*
[•] or, *every night.*
[j] Ps. 144. 3. Job 7. 17. He. 2. 6.
[k] Ps. 119. 115. Mat. 25. 41. Lu. 13. 27.
[l] Ge. 1. 26, 28.
[m] 1 Co. 15. 27. He. 2. 8.
[†] *Flocks and oxen all of them.*
[n] Hab. 3. 1.
[•] 2 Sa. xvi.
[‡] or, *business*
[§] *not a deliverer.*
[p] 1 Sa. 24. 7. 26. 9.
[‖] *made my judgment.*
[•] *in righteousness.*
[†] or, *The destructions of the enemy are come to a perpetual end: and their cities hast thou destroyed, &c.*
[q] Ps. 103. 12, 36. He. 1. 11.
[r] Ge. 18. 25. Ac. 17. 31. Ro. 14. 10. 12. 2 Co. 5. 10.
[‡] *an high place.*
[s] Ps. 139. 1. 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Je. 11. 20. 17. 10. 20. 12. Re. 2. 23.
[§] *buckler is upon God.*
[‖] or, *is a righteous judge.*
[n] Ge. 9. 5.
[•] or, *afflicted.*

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13 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; consider my trouble *which I suffer* of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death:

14 That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion: I will rejoice in thy salvation.

15 The [b] heathen are sunk down in the pit *that* they made: in the net which they hid is their own foot taken.

16 The LORD is known *by* the judgment *which* he executeth: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. † Higgaion. [d] Selah.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, *and* all the nations that forget God.

18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall *not* perish for ever.

19 Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

20 Put them in fear, O LORD: *that* the nations may know themselves *to be but* men. Selah.

PSALM X.

WHY standest thou afar off, O LORD? *why* hidest thou *thyself* in times of trouble?

2 † The wicked in *his* pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.

3 For the wicked boasteth of his ‡ heart's desire, and [‖] blesseth [i] the covetous, *whom* the LORD abhorreth.

4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God:* † God *is* not in all his thoughts.

5 His ways are always grievous; thy judgments *are* far above out of his sight: *as for* all his enemies, he pufteth at them.

6 He [k] hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: [l] for *I shall* § never *be* in adversity.

7 His [m] mouth is full of cursing and [•] deceit and fraud: under his tongue *is* mischief and † vanity.

8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes § are privily set against the poor.

9 He lieth in wait [•] secretly as a lion in his den: he lieth in wait to catch the poor: he doth catch the poor, when he draweth him into his net.

10 He † croucheth, *and* humbleth himself, that the poor may fall § by his strong ones.

11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see *it*.

12 Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up thine hand: forget not the [‖] humble.

13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require *it*.

14 Thou hast seen *it;* for thou beholdest mischief and spite, to requite *it* with thy hand: the poor [•] committeth [m] himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless.

15 Break thou the arm of the wicked and the evil *man:* seek out his wickedness *till* thou find none.

16 The [p] LORD *is* King for ever and ever: the heathen are perished out of his land.

17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt † prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

18 To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more ‡ oppress.

[a] 1 Sa. 26. 19, 20.
[b] Pr. 5. 22. 22. 5. 26. 27.
[c] *in darkness*
[•] Hab. 2. 20.
† i. e. *meditation.*
[d] Ps. 19. 14.
[e] Ro. 4. 5.
[f] Ja. 1. 12.
‡ or, *quick burning coals.*
§ or, *a burning tempest*
[g] 1 Pe. 3. 12.
‖ or, *the sighth.*
[•] or, *Save.*
[h] Is. 57. 1.
† *In the pride of the wicked he doth.*
‡ *soul's.*
§ *an heart and an heart.* 1 Ch. 12. 33.
‖ or, *the covetous blesseth himself, he abhorreth the LORD.*
[i] Ro. 1. 32.
[•] *great.*
† or, *all his thoughts* are, There is *no God.*
‡ *with us.*
[k] Ec. 8. 11. Is. 56. 12.
[l] Re. 18. 7.
§ *unto generation and generation.*
‖ or, *would enmare him.*
[m] Ro. 3. 14.
[•] *deceits.*
† or, *iniquity*
‡ *him:* i. e. *every one of them.*
§ *hide themselves.*
‖ *of the sons of men.*
[•] *in the secret places.*
† or, *overseer*
‡ *breaketh himself.*
§ or, *into his strong parts.*
‖ or, *afflicted.*
[•] *leaveth.*
[m] ‡ Ti. 1. 12. 1 Pe. 4. 19.
[•] Ps. 116. 7. 119. 17.
[p] Je. 10. 10. La. 5. 19. Da. 4. 34. 6. 26. 1 Ti. 1. 17. 6. 15.
[q] Ge. 6. 11, 12. Ro. 3. 10, &c
† or, *establish*
‡ or, *terrify.*

PSALM XI.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.

IN the LORD put I my trust: [a] how say ye to my soul, Flee *as* a bird to your mountain?

2 For, lo, the wicked bend *their* bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may [•] privily shoot at the upright in heart.

3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

4 The [•] LORD *is* in his holy temple, the LORD'S [c] throne *is* in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

5 The LORD / trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

6 Upon the wicked he shall rain † snares, fire and brimstone, and § an horrible tempest: *this shall be* the portion of their cup.

7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; [d] his countenance doth behold the upright.

PSALM XII.

To the chief Musician upon ‖ Sheminith, A Psalm of David.

HELP, [•] LORD; for [a] the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men.

2 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips *and* with § a double heart do they speak.

3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh [•] proud things:

4 Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips *are* ‡ our own: who *is* lord over us?

5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the LORD; I will set *him* in safety *from him that* ‖ puffeth at him.

6 The words of the LORD *are* pure words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve ‡ them from this generation for ever.

8 The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest ‡ men are exalted.

PSALM XIII.

To the † chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, *having* sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me?

3 Consider *and* hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the *sleep of* death;

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; *and* those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

5 But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.

6 I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath [•] dealt bountifully with me.

PSALM XIV.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.

THE fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. [q] They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good.

2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, *and* seek God.

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3 They are all gone aside, they are *all* together become [a] filthy: *there is* none that doeth good, no, not *one*.
4 Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread, and [a] call not upon the LORD.
5 There were they in great fear: for God *is* in the generation of the righteous.
6 Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the LORD *is* his refuge.
7 ¶ Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of Zion! when the LORD bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.

PSALM XV. A Psalm of David.

LORD, who shall [†] abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?
2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and [b] speaketh the truth in his heart.
3 *He that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor [‖] taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.
4 In *whose* eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that* [§] sweareth to *his own* hurt, and changeth not.
5 *He* [h] *that* putteth not out his money to usury, [i] nor taketh reward against the innocent. He [j] that doeth these *things* shall never be moved.

PSALM XVI. [a] Michtam of David.

PRESERVE me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.
2 *O my soul*, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my Lord: [b] my goodness *extendeth* not to thee;
3 *But* to the saints that *are* in the earth, and *to* the excellent, in whom *is* all my delight.
4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied *that* [†] hasten *after* another *god:* their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.
5 The [c] LORD *is* the portion of [§] mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.
6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant *places;* yea, I have a goodly heritage.
7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.
8 I [d] have set the LORD always before me: because *he is* at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall [†] rest in hope.
10 For [e] thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.
11 Thou wilt shew me the [f] path of life: [g] in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.

PSALM XVII. A Prayer of David.

HEAR [§] the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, *that goeth* [‖] not out of feigned lips.
2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.
3 Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited *me* in the night; [a] thou hast tried me, *and* shalt find nothing; I am purposed *that* my mouth shall not transgress.
4 Concerning the works of men, by the

[a] *stinking.*
[†] *be not moved.*
[a] Is. 64. 7.
[‡] *they feared a fear.* Ps. 53. 5.
[§] or, *them which trust in thee from those that rise up against thy right hand.*
[‖] *Who will give, &c.* Ro. 11. 26.
[b] Zec. 2. 8.
[c] Mat. 23. 37.
[d] *waste me.*
[†] *enemies against the soul.*
[‡] *sojourn.*
[d] 1 Sa. 23. 26.
[e] Ep. 4. 25.
[§] *The likeness of him,* (that is, *of every one of them*) is *as a lion that desireth to ravin.*
[‖] or, *receiveth,* or, *endureth.*
[a] *sitting.*
[f] Es. 3. 2.
[†] *prevent his face.*
[g] Ja. 11. 35.
[‡] or, *by thy.*
[§] or, by *thine.*
[h] Exo. 18. 8.
[i] Lu. 16. 25.
[k] Ex. 23. 8.
[j] De. 16. 19.
[l] Mat. 7. 24, 25. Jno. 13. 17. 2 Pe. 1. 10.
[‖] or, *their children are full.*
[a] or, *A golden Psalm of David.*
Ps. lvi. lx.
[m] 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[n] Ro. 11. 35.
[o] Ps. 35, title.
[p] 2 Sa. xxii.
[†] or, *gave gifts to.*
[r] Ps. 144. 1.
[‡] *my rock.*
[s] De. 32. 9.
[§] *my part.*
[t] Ho. 2. 13.
[u] Ps. 76. 4.
[v] Ps. 116. 3.
[‖] *Belial.*
[a] Ac. 2 25, &c.
[a] or, *cords.*
[†] *dwell confidently.*
[y] Ac. 13. 35.
[z] Ac. 4. 31.
[a] Mat. 7. 14.
[‡] *by her.*
[b] 1 Co. 13. 12.
[c] Ps. 144. 5.
[d] Ps. 99. 1.
[§] *justice.*
[e] Ps. 104. 3.
[‖] *withoutlips of deceit.*
[f] Ps. 97. 2.
[g] 1 Pe. 1. 7.

word of thy lips I have kept *me from* the paths of the destroyer.
5 Hold up my goings in thy paths, *that* my footsteps [†] slip not.
6 I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God: incline thine ear unto me, *and hear* my speech.
7 Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness, O thou that savest [§] by thy right hand them which put their trust *in thee* from those that rise up *against them.*
8 Keep [e] me as the apple of the eye, [e] hide me under the shadow of thy wings,
9 From the wicked that [a] oppress me, *from* my [†] deadly enemies, *who* compass me about.
10 They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.
11 They have now [d] compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;
12 [§] Like as a lion *that* is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion [e] lurking in secret places.
13 Arise, O LORD, [†] disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked, *which is* thy sword:
14 From men [§] *which are* thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, [f] *which have* their portion in *this* life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid *treasure:* [‖] they are full of children, and leave the rest of their *substance* to their babes.
15 As for me, [m] I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.

PSALM XVIII.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, [a] the servant of the LORD, who spake unto the LORD the words of *this* song in the day *that* the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: And he said,

I [r] WILL love thee, O LORD, my strength.
2 The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, [‡] my strength, [s] in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, *and* my high tower.
3 I will call upon the LORD, [t] *who is worthy* to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.
4 The [u] sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of [‖] ungodly men made me afraid.
5 The [v] sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.
6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, *even* into his ears.
7 Then [a] the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.
8 There went up a smoke [†] out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.
9 He [a] bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness *was* under his [‡] feet.
10 And [a] he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, [a] he did fly upon the wings of the wind.
11 He made darkness his secret place; [f] his pavilion round about him *were* dark waters *and* thick clouds of the skies.
12 At the brightness *that was* before him his thick clouds passed, hail *stones* and coals of fire.
13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail *stones* and coals of fire.

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14 Yea, [a] he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.
15 Then [b] the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.
16 He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of § many waters.
17 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.
18 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.
19 He [d] brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.
20 The[e] LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.
21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
22 For all his judgments *were* before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.
23 I was also upright § before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.
24 Therefore [g] hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.
25 With [h] the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;
26 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and [k] with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward.
27 For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down [m] high looks.
28 For [n] thou wilt light my § candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.
29 For by thee I have ‡ run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall.
30 *As for* God, [o] his way *is* perfect: the word of the LORD is ‡ tried: he *is* a buckler to all those that trust in him.
31 For [p] who *is* God save the LORD? or who *is* a rock save our God?
32 *It is* God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.
33 He [r] maketh my feet like hinds' *feet*, and setteth me upon my high places.
34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.
35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me up, and [s] thy gentleness hath made me great.
36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, [t] that ‡ my feet did not slip.
37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn again till they were consumed.
38 I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.
39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast ‖ subdued under me those that rose up against me.
40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me.
41 They cried, but *there was* none to save *them*: *even* unto the LORD, but he answered them not.
42 Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.
43 Thou [v] hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; *and* thou hast made me the head of the heathen: [b] a people *whom* I have not known shall serve me.
44 [c] As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the † strangers shall ‡ submit themselves unto me.
45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.
46 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.
47 *It is* God that ‖ avengeth me, and • subdueth the people unto me.
48 He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the † violent man.
49 Therefore will I ‡ give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and sing praises unto thy name.
50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.

PSALM XIX.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

THE [f] heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.
2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
3 *There is* no speech nor language, • *where* their voice is not heard.
4 Their † line [i] is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,
5 Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
6 His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.
7 The • law of the LORD *is* perfect, † converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.
8 The statutes of the LORD *are* right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the eyes.
9 The fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD *are* § true *and* righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired *are they* than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the ‖ honeycomb.
11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: *and* in keeping of them *there is* great reward.
12 Who can understand *his* errors? cleanse thou me from [o] secret *faults*.
13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins*; [u] let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from ‡ the great transgression.
14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, § my strength, and my redeemer.

PSALM XX.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob • defend thee.
2 Send † thee help from the sanctuary, and ‡ strengthen thee out of Zion.
3 Remember all thy offerings, and § accept thy burnt sacrifice. Selah.
4 Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.

[a] Is. 30. 30.
[b] Is. 50. 2.
[c] Ex. 15. 8.
• *At the hearing of the ear.*
† *sons of the stranger.*
‡ *lie*, or, *yield feigned obedience.*
§ or, *great.*
‖ *giveth avengements for me.*
• or, *destroyeth.*
[d] Ps. 118. 5.
† *man of violences.*
§ 2 Sa. 22. 21.
‡ or, *confess.*
[f] Ro. 1. 19, 20.
§ *with.*
[g] 1 Sa. 26. 23.
‖ *before his eyes.*
• *without their voice heard*, or, *without* these *their voice is heard.*
[h] 1 Ki. 8. 32.
† or, *rude*, or, *direction.*
[i] Ro. 10. 18.
[k] Pr 3. 34.
‡ or, *wrestle.*
[l] Ec. 1. 5.
[m] Pr. 6. 17.
[n] Job 18. 6.
§ or, *lamp*, Job 29. 3.
‖ or, *broken.*
• or, *doctrine*
[o] Ro. 15. 3.
† or, *restoring.*
‡ or, *refined.*
[p] Is. 45. 5.
[r] Hab. 3. 19.
§ *truth.*
‖ *dropping of honeycombs.*
• or, *with thy meekness thou hast multiplied me.*
[s] Ps. 90. 6.
[t] Pr. 4. 12.
† *mine ancles*
[u] Ro. 6. 12, 14.
‡ or, *much.*
§ *my rock.* Ps. 18. 1.
‖ *caused to bow.*
• *set thee on an high place.*
† *thy help.*
‡ *support.*
§ *turn to ashes*, or, *make fat.*
[v] 2 Sa. 2. 9, 10. 3. 1. VIII.

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5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up *our* banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from † his holy heaven ‖ with the saving strength of his right hand.

7 Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.

8 They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright.

9 Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call.

PSALM XXI.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

THE king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!

2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

3 For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.

4 He asked life of thee, *and* thou gavest *it* him, ᵉ *even* length of days for ever and ever.

5 His glory *is* great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.

6 For thou hast § made him most blessed for ever: ᶠ thou hast ‖ made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.

7 For the king trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he ʰ shall not be moved.

8 Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall find out those that hate thee.

9 Thou ⁱ shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, ᵐ and the fire shall devour them.

10 Their ᵉ fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, *which* they are not able *to perform*.

12 Therefore ᵒ shalt thou make them turn their † back, *when* thou shalt make ready *thine arrows* upon thy strings against the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: *so* will we sing and praise thy power.

PSALM XXII.

To the chief Musician upon ‡ Aijeleth Shahar, A Psalm of David.

MY God, my God, ᵖ why hast thou forsaken me? *why art thou so* far § from helping me, *and from* ᵍ the words of my roaring?

2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and ‖ am not silent.

3 But thou *art* holy, O *thou* that inhabitest the ʳ praises of Israel.

4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: ˢ they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But I *am* a worm, and no man; ᵗ a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

7 All ᵘ they that see me laugh me to scorn: they ! shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,

8 He § trusted on the LORD *that he* would deliver him: let him deliver him, ‖ seeing he delighted in him.

9 But thou *art* he that took me out of the womb: thou ᵛ didst make me hope *when I was* upon my mother's breasts.

10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou *art* my God from my mother's belly.

11 Be not far from me; for trouble *is* near; for *there is* § none to help.

12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong *bulls* of Bashan have beset me round.

13 They ‖ gaped upon me *with* their mouths, *as a* ravening and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are ᵒ out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and ᵉ my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

16 For ᵇ dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: ᵒ they pierced my hands and my feet.

17 I may tell all my bones: they look *and* stare upon me.

18 They ᵈ part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my † darling from ! the power of the dog.

21 Save ᶠ me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.

22 I ᵃ will declare thy name unto ᵍ my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but ʰ when he cried unto him, he heard.

25 My praise *shall be* of thee in the great congregation: ᶦ I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

26 The ᵏ meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart ˡ shall live for ever.

27 All ᵐ the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

28 For ⁿ the kingdom *is* the LORD's: and he *is* the governor among the nations.

29 All *they that be* fat upon earth shall eat and worship: ᵒ all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.

30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

31 They ᵖ shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done *this*.

PSALM XXIII. A Psalm of David.

THE LORD *is* ᵃ my shepherd; ᵇ I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in ᵒ green pastures: ᵉ he leadeth me beside the † still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: ᵖ he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, ᵃ I will fear no evil: ᶠ for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou ᵒ anointest

ᵉ or, *hearken me in safety*
† *the heaven of his holiness.*
‡ *by the strength of the salvation of.*
§ *not a helper*
‖ *opened their mouths against me.*
ᵒ or, *murdered.*
ᵃ Jno. 19. 28.
ᵇ Re. 22. 15.
ᶜ Jno. 19. 23, 37 20. 25.
ᵈ Lu. 23. 34.
ᵉ 2 Sa. 7. 19.
† *only one.*
‡ *the hand.*
§ *set him to be blessings* Ge. 12. 2.
ᶠ 2 Ti. 4. 17.
ᵍ Ac. 2. 28.
‖ *gladded him with joy.*
ʰ Ha. 2. 12.
ⁱ Jno. 20. 17. Ro. 8. 29.
ᵏ Ps. 16. 8.
ˡ Mal. 4. 1.
ᵐ Is. 26. 11.
ⁿ He. 5. 7.
ᵒ Is. 14. 20.
ᵖ Ec. 5. 4.
ʳ Jno. 6. 51.
ᵉ or, *thou shalt set them as a butt.*
ᵉ Is. 49. 6.
† *shoulder.*
ᵗ Mat. 6. 13.
ᵘ Is. 26. 19. Phi. 2. 10.
‡ or, *the hind of the morning.*
ᵛ Mat. 27. 46. Mar. 15. 34.
§ *from my salvation.*
ᵍ Lu. 22. 44.
ʸ Is. 60. 3. Ro. 3. 21, 22.
‖ there is *no silence to me.*
ᵃ De. 10. 21.
ᵃ Is. 40. 11. Jno. 10. 11. 1 Pe. 2. 25.
ᵇ Phi. 4. 19.
ᵒ *pastures of tender grass.*
ᵉ Re. 7. 17.
† *waters of quietness.*
ᵈ Is. 49. 23. Ro. 9. 33. 1 Pe. 2. 6.
ᵉ Pr. 8. 20.
ᶠ Is. 53. 2. Mat. 12. 24. Ro. 15. 3.
ᵍ Lu. 23. 35.
! *open.*
ʰ Ps. 116. 6.
ⁱ Is. 43. 2.
§ *rolled himself on the LORD.*
‖ or, *if he delight.*
ᵉ *maketh fat.*

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my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD [o] for ever.

PSALM XXIV. A Psalm of David.

THE [a] earth *is* the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.
2 For [b] he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.
3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?
4 [†] He that hath [d] clean hands, and [e] a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
6 This *is* the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, [‡] O Jacob. Selah.
7 Lift [f] up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; [g] and the King of glory shall come in.
8 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift *them* up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
10 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. Selah.

PSALM XXV. *A Psalm* of David.

UNTO thee, O LORD, do I lift up *my* soul.
2 O my God, I [h] trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.
3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.
4 Shew [i] me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.
5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.
6 Remember, O LORD, [k] thy [§] tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they *have been* ever of old.
7 Remember not [l] the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.
8 Good and upright *is* the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.
10 All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.
11 For [m] thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; [n] for it *is* great.
12 What man *is* he that feareth the LORD? [o] him shall he teach in the way *that* he shall choose.
13 His [p] soul shall [†] dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.
14 The [q] secret of the LORD *is* with them that fear him; [§] and he will shew them his covenant.
15 Mine eyes *are* ever toward the LORD; for he shall [‖] pluck my feet out of the net.
16 Turn [r] thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I *am* desolate and afflicted.
17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged: *O* bring thou me out of my distresses.
18 Look [s] upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins.
19 Consider mine enemies; for they are many; and they hate me with [t] cruel hatred.

[o] *to length of days.* [a] 1 Co. 10. 26, 28.
[b] Ge. 1. 9. Job 38. 6. 2 Pe. 3. 5.
[c] Ps. 66. 10. 139. 23. Zec. 13. 9.
[†] *The clean of hands.*
[d] Job 17. 9. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[e] Mat. 5. 8.
[f] 2 Ki. 20. 5.
[g] Je. 15. 17.
[‡] or, *O God of Jacob.*
[h] Ez. 30. 19, 20. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[i] Is. 26. 2.
[k] Hag. 2. 7. Mal. 3. 1. 1 Co. 2. 8.
[§] *of the tabernacle of thy honour.*
[‖] or, *Take not away.*
[l] 1 Sa. 25. 29.
[m] *men of blood.*
[†] *filled with.*
[n] Is. 33. 15.
[o] Is. 59. 16. 49. 23. Ro. 10. 11.
[p] Is. 60. 19, 20.
[q] Is. 12. 2.
[r] Ex. 33. 13.
[‡] *approached against.*
[s] Is. 63. 15.
[§] *bowels.*
[t] Ps. 3. 6.
[u] Job 13. 26. Je. 3. 25.
[v] Lu. 2. 37.
[‖] or, *delight.*
[w] Is. 4. 6.
[x] Ps. 31. 3. 143. 11.
[y] Ro. 5. 20.
[z] *shouting.*
[a] Ps. 37. 23.
[b] Pr. 19. 23.
[†] *lodge in goodness.*
[c] Pr. 3. 32. Jno. 7. 17. 15. 15.
[‡] or, *My heart said unto thee, Let my face seek thy face, &c.*
[§] or, *and his covenant to make them know it.*
[‖] *bring forth.*
[d] Ps. 69. 16. 86. 16.
[e] Is. 49. 15.
[f] *gather me.* Is. 40. 11.
[g] 2 Sa. 16. 12.
[h] Is. 30. 20, 21.
[†] *a way of plainness.* Ps. 26. 12.
[‡] *those which observe me.* Ps. 54. 5.
[§] *hatred of violence.*

20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.
21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.
22 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

PSALM XXVI. *A Psalm* of David.

JUDGE me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; *therefore* I shall not slide.
2 Examine [a] me, O LORD, and prove *me*; try my reins and my heart.
3 For thy lovingkindness *is* before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.
4 I [b] have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.
5 I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.
6 I [†] will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:
7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.
8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place [§] where thine honour dwelleth.
9 [‖] Gather [c] not my soul with sinners, nor my life with [d] bloody men:
10 In whose hands *is* mischief, and their right hand is [†] full of [e] bribes.
11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.
12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.

PSALM XXVII. *A Psalm* of David.

THE LORD *is* [f] my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? [g] the LORD *is* the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
2 When the wicked, *even* mine enemies and my foes, [‡] came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
3 Though [h] an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this *will* I *be* confident.
4 One *thing* have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may [i] dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the [§] beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.
5 For [k] in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.
6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of [‖] joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.
7 Hear, O LORD, *when* I *cry* with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.
8 [†] *When thou saidst*, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.
9 Hide not thy face *far* from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
10 When [l] my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will [m] take me up.
11 Teach [n] me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in [o] a plain path, because of [p] mine enemies.
12 Deliver me not over unto the will of

[a] *Examine me.* Ps. 139. 23. Je. 17. 10.
[b] Ps. 1. 1.
[†] *I will wash.* Ps. 73. 13.
[§] *of the habitation of thy house.*
[‖] *Gather.*
[c] Ps. 28. 3.
[d] *men of blood.*
[e] Ps. 15. 5.
[f] Is. 60. 19, 20. Mic. 7. 8.
[g] Ps. 118. 6. Ro. 8. 31. Heb. 13. 6.
[‡] *approached against me.*
[h] Ps. 3. 6.
[i] Ps. 23. 6.
[§] *delightfulness.*
[k] Ps. 31. 20.
[‖] *shouting.*
[†] *When thou saidst.* Ps. 105. 4. Is. 55. 6. Ho. 5. 15. Am. 5. 4, 6. Zep. 2. 3.
[l] Is. 49. 15.
[m] *gather me.* Ps. 73. 24.
[n] Ps. 25. 4. 86. 11. 119. 33.
[o] Ps. 143. 10.
[p] *those which observe me.* Ps. 54. 5.

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mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as [a] breathe out cruelty.

13 *I had fainted*, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD [c] in the land of the living.

14 Wait [d] on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

PSALM XXVIII. *A Psalm* of David.

UNTO thee will I cry, O LORD my rock; be not silent ‖ to me: *lest, if* thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward † thy holy oracle.

3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, [g] which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief *is* in their hearts.

4 Give [h] them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their endeavours: give them after the work of their hands; render to them their desert.

5 Because [i] they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he shall destroy them, and not build them up.

6 Blessed *be* the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.

7 The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.

8 The LORD *is* ‖ their strength, and he *is* the * saving strength of his anointed.

9 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: † feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

PSALM XXIX. A Psalm of David.

GIVE unto the LORD, O ye ‡ mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

2 Give unto the LORD the § glory due unto his name; worship the LORD ‖ in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD *is* upon the waters: * the God of glory thundereth: the LORD *is* upon * many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD *is* † powerful; the voice of the LORD *is* ‡ full of majesty.

5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh * the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the LORD § divideth the flames of fire.

8 The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds ‖ to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple * doth every one speak of *his* glory.

10 The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.

11 The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.

PSALM XXX.

A Psalm *and* Song *at* [p] the dedication of the house of David.

I WILL extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.

2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

[a] Ac. 9. 1.
[b] 1 Ch. 16. 4.
[c] Je. 11. 19.
* or, *to the memorial.*
[d] Is. 25. 9. Hab. 2. 3. Ro. 8. 25. He. 10. 36, 37
† there is but *a moment in his anger.*
[e] Is. 54. 7, 8. 2 Co. 4. 17.
‡ *in the evening.*
§ *singultus.*
‖ *from me.*
* *settled strength for my mountain.*
† or, *the oracle of thy sanctuary.*
[f] Ps. 88. 10.. 12. Is. 38. 18.
[g] Je. 9. 8.
[h] 2 Ti. 4. 14. Re. 18. 6.
[i] 2 Sa. 6. 14. Is. 61. 3. Je. 31. 4.
‡ i.e. *tongue*, or, *soul.* Ge. 49. 6.
[k] Job 34. 27. Is. 5. 12.
[l] Is. 49. 23.
§ *to me for a rock of strength.*
‖ or, *his.*
* *strength of salvations.*
† or, *rule.* Ps. 78. 71.
‡ *sons of the mighty.*
[m] Lu. 23. 46. Ac. 7. 59.
§ *honour of.*
‖ or, *in his glorious sanctuary.*
[n] Jon. 2. 8.
[o] Job 37. 4, 5.
* or, *great.*
[p] Jno. 10. 27.
† *in power.*
[r] De. 32. 30. 1 Sa. 17. 46. 24. 18.
‡ *in majesty.*
[s] Is. 2. 13.
§ *cutteth out.*
[t] Is. 53. 4. Ro. 15. 3.
‖ or, *to be in pain.*
* or, *every whit of it utterly.*
† *a vessel that perisheth.*
[u] Je. 20. 10.
[v] Je. 5. 25. 20. 3. La. 2. 22
[x] Mat. 27. 1.
[y] De. 20. 5.

3 O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

4 Sing [k] unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks * at the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For † his [l] anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure † for a night, but § joy *cometh* in the morning.

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.

7 LORD, by thy favour thou hast * made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, *and* I was troubled.

8 I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication

9 What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go down to the pit? [f] Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?

10 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.

11 Thou [g] hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;

12 To the end that *my* ‖ glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

PSALM XXXI.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

IN [i] thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou § my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me.

3 For thou *art* my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.

4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou *art* my strength.

5 Into [m] thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

6 I have hated them [n] that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.

7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast [p] known my soul in adversities;

8 And hast not [r] shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.

9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, *for* I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, *yea*, my soul and my belly.

10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

11 I [s] was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.

12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like † a broken vessel.

13 For [u] I have heard the slander of many: [v] fear *was* on every side: while they * took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life.

14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.

15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.

17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked

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be ashamed, *and* [a] let them be [o] silent in the grave.

18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which [d] speak [†] grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.

19 *Oh* [†] how great *is* thy goodness, which thou [f] hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: [g] thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

21 Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a [‖] strong city.

22 For [h] I said in my haste, [i] I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.

23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: *for* the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

PSALM XXXII.

A Psalm of David, [•] Maschil.

BLESSED *is he whose* [•] transgression *is* forgiven, *whose* sin *is* covered.

2 Blessed *is* the man unto whom the LORD [r] imputeth not iniquity, and [s] in whose spirit *there is* no guile.

3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

4 For day and night thy [m] hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

5 I [t] acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. [u] I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

6 For [v] this shall every one that is godly [w] pray unto thee in a time [†] when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

7 Thou [x] *art* my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with [y] songs of deliverance. Selah.

8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will [§] guide thee with mine eye.

9 Be [A] ye not as the horse, *or* as the mule, *which* have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

10 Many [z] sorrows *shall be to* the wicked: but [l] he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

11 Be [c] glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all *ye that are* upright in heart.

PSALM XXXIII.

REJOICE in the LORD, O *ye* righteous: *for* praise is comely *for* the upright.

2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing [r] unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the word of the LORD *is* right; and all his works *are done* in truth.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the [•] goodness of the LORD.

6 By [v] the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and [b] all the host of them [c] by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was *done;* he commanded, and it stood *fast.*

10 The [A] LORD [‡] bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

11 The [f] counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to [§] all generations.

12 Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD; *and* the people *whom* he hath [=] chosen for his own inheritance.

13 The [=] LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

14 From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.

16 There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

17 An [p] horse *is* a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver *any* by his great strength.

18 Behold, [t] the eye of the LORD *is* upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;

19 To deliver their soul from death, and [•] to keep them alive in famine.

20 Our soul waiteth for the LORD: he *is* our help and our shield.

21 For our [y] heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.

22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.

PSALM XXXIV.

A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before [‡] Abimelech; who drove him away, and he departed.

I WILL [b] bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.

2 My soul shall make her [d] boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear *thereof,* and be glad.

3 O [f] magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

4 I [g] sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

5 They [‖] looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him,* and [h] saved him out of all his troubles.

7 The [=] angel of the LORD [•] encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

8 O [†] taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for *there is* no want to them that fear him.

10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *thing.*

11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

12 What man *is he that* desireth life, *and* loveth *many* days, that he may see good?

13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from [•] speaking guile.

14 Depart [i] from evil, and do good; [=] seek peace, and pursue it.

15 The eyes of the LORD *are* upon the

[a] 1 Sa. 2. 9.
[o] or, *cut off for the.*
[d] Job 26. 13.
[d] 1 Sa. 2. 3. Jude 15.
[†] *a hard thing.*
[e] Is. 64. 4. 1 Co. 2. 9. 1 Jno. 3. 1, 2.
[f] Col. 3. 4. Ja. 2. 5. 1 Pe. 1. 3, 4.
[g] Job 5. 21.
[h] Is. 8. 10. 19. 3.
[‡] *maketh frustrate.*
[i] Is. 38. 10.
[§] *generation and generation.*
[‖] or, *fenced.*
[k] 1 Sa. 23. 26.
[l] Is. 38. 11, 12. La. 3. 54. Jon. 2. 4.
[m] Ex. 19. 5.
[n] Pr. 15. 3.
[•] or, *giving instruction*
[o] Ro. 4. 6. 8.
[p] Pr. 21. 31.
[r] 2 Co. 5. 19.
[s] Jno. 1. 47.
[t] Job 36. 7. 1 Pe. 3. 12.
[u] Job 33. 7.
[v] Job 5. 20.
[w] Is. 65. 24. Lu. 15. 18, 21, &c. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[x] Jno. 16. 22.
[y] 1 Sa. 30. 6.
[z] Is. 55. 6. Jno. 7. 34.
[†] *of finding.*
[‡] or, *Achish.* 1 Sa. 21. 13.
[a] Eg. 5. 20. 1 Th. 5. 18.
[b] Ps. 119. 164.
[c] 1 Co. 1. 31. 2 Co. 10. 17.
[d] Ex. 15. 1. Ju. 5. 1. 2 Sa. 22. 1. Re. 7. 10.
[e] Lu. 1. 46.
[f] Lu. 1. 46.
[§] *counsel* thee, *mine eye* shall be *upon thee.*
[g] Lu. 11. 9.
[h] Pr. 26. 3. Ja. 3. 3.
[‖] or, *flowed* unto him.
[i] Pr. 13. 21. Ro. 2. 9.
[k] 2 Sa. 22. 1.
[l] Ps. 84. 12. Pr. 16. 20. Je. 17. 7.
[m] Da. 6. 22. He. 1. 14.
[n] Ge. 22. 2. 2.
[•] Ps. 68. 3.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 3.
[p] Is. 42. 10. Re. 5. 9.
[q] 1 Pe. 2. 22.
[•] or, *mercy.*
[t] Is. 1. 16, 17.
[u] Ro. 12. 18. He. 12. 14.
[v] Ge. 1. 6, 7. He. 11. 3.

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righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.

16 The [c] face of the LORD *is* against them that do evil, [d] to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 *The righteous* cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The LORD *is* nigh [†] unto [e] them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be [‡] of a contrite spirit.

19 Many [f] *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

20 He keepeth all his bones: [h] not one of them is broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be [§] desolate.

22 The LORD [k] redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

PSALM XXXV. *A Psalm* of David.

PLEAD [m] *my cause*, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.

2 Take [n] hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.

3 Draw out also the spear, and stop *the way* against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I *am* thy salvation.

4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.

5 Let [p] them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase *them*.

6 Let their way be [†] dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.

7 For without cause have they hid [r] for me their net *in* a pit, *which* without cause they have digged for my soul.

8 Let [s] destruction come upon him [§] at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

9 And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.

10 All my bones shall say, LORD, [t] who *is* like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?

11 [†] False witnesses did rise up; they [‖] laid to my charge *things* that I knew not.

12 They [b] rewarded me evil for good *to* the [‖] spoiling of my soul.

13 But as for me, [c] when they were sick, my clothing *was* sackcloth: I [†] humbled my soul with fasting; [c] and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.

14 I [‡] behaved myself [§] as though *he had been* my friend *or* brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth *for his* mother.

15 But in mine [*] adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: *yea*, [b] the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew *it* not; they did tear *me*, and ceased not:

16 With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my [†] darling from the lions.

18 I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among [‡] much people.

19 Let not them that are mine enemies [*] *falsely*. Ps. 38. 19.
[a] Job 15. 12. Pr. 6. 13. 10. 10.
[b] La. 3. 52. Jno. 15. 25.
[c] Le. 17. 10. Je. 44. 11. Am. 9. 4.
[d] Pr. 10. 7.
[†] *to the broken of heart.*
[e] Is. 57. 15.
[f] Ac. 7. 34.
[‡] *contrite of spirit.*
[g] Pr. 24. 16. 2Ti.3.11,12.
[h] Jno. 19. 36.
[i] 2 Th. 1. 6.
[§] or, *guilty.*
[k] 2 Sa. 4. 9. 1 Ki. 1. 29.
[‖] *Ah, ah, our soul.*
[l] La. 2. 16.
[m] La. 3. 58.
[n] Ro. 12. 15.
[o] 1 Co. 12. 26.
[p] Is. 42. 13.
[*] *righteousness.*
[p] Pr. 8. 18.
[P] Job 21. 18. Is. 29. 5. Ho. 13. 3.
[†] *darkness and slipperiness.*
[r] Ro. 3. 13.
[s] De. 29. 19.
[‡] *to find his iniquity to hate.*
[t] 1 Ti. 5. 3.
[§] which *he knoweth not of.*
[u] Je. 4. 22.
[v] Pr. 4. 16. Mi. 2. 1.
[‖] or, *enmity.*
[x] Is. 65. 2.
[y] Ex. 15. 11.
[*] *mountains of God.*
[z] Job 11. 8. Ro. 11. 33.
[a] Job 7. 20. 1 Ti. 4. 10.
[†] *Witnesses of wrong.*
[‡] *asked me.*
[§] *precious.*
[b] Je. 18. 20. Jno. 10. 32.
[‖] *depriving.*
[c] Job 30. 25.
[d] Ps. 65. 4.
[*] *watered.*
[†] or, *afflicted.*
[e] La. 10. 6.
[f] Job 20. 17. Ro. 22. 1.
[‡] *walked.*
[§] *as a friend, as a brother to me.*
[g] Je. 2. 13. Jno. 4.10,14
[h] 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[‖] *draw out at length.*
[i] Je. 22. 16.
[*] *halting.* Ps. 38. 17.
[k] Job 30. 1, 8.
[†] *only one.*
[‡] *strong.*

[*] wrongfully rejoice over me: *neither* [a] let them wink with the eye [b] that hate me without a cause.

20 For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against *them that are* quiet in the land.

21 Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, *and* said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen *it*.

22 *This* thou hast [c] seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me.

23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, *even* unto my cause, my God and my Lord.

24 Judge me, O LORD my God, [d] according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, [‖] Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, [e] We have swallowed him up.

26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify *themselves* against me.

27 Let [*] them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my [*] righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

28 And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness *and* of thy praise all the day long.

PSALM XXXVI.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David the servant of the LORD.

THE transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that* [f] *there is* no fear of God before his eyes.

2 For [g] he flattereth himself in his own eyes, [‡] until his iniquity be found to be hateful.

3 The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: [a] he hath left off to be wise, *and* to do good.

4 He [b] deviseth [§] mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself [c] in a way *that is* not good; he abhorreth not evil.

5 Thy mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; *and* thy faithfulness *reacheth* unto the clouds.

6 Thy righteousness *is* like the [*] great mountains; [d] thy judgments *are* a great deep: O LORD, [e] thou preservest man and beast.

7 How [§] excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8 They [f] shall be [*] abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of [f] the river of thy pleasures.

9 For [g] with thee *is* the fountain of life: [h] in thy light shall we see light.

10 O [i] continue thy lovingkindness [i] unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.

11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.

12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.

PSALM XXXVII. *A Psalm* of David.

FRET not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

[a] Ps. 35. 19.
[b] Ps. 38. 20. Jno. 15. 25.
[c] Ps. 35. 22.
[d] Ps. 7. 6.
[‖] *Ah, so would we have it.*
[e] La. 2. 16.
[*] *righteousness.*
[f] Ps. 14. 1. 53. 1.
[g] Ps. 36. 2.
[‡] *to find his iniquity to hate.*
[a] Ps. 78. 72.
[b] Mi. 2. 1.
[§] *vanity.*
[c] Is. 65. 2.
[*] *mountains of God.*
[d] Ps. 35. 7.
[e] Ps. 104. 21. 145. 16.
[§] *precious.*
[f] Je. 31. 14.
[*] *satisfied with fatness.*
[g] Ps. 16. 11. Je. 2. 13.
[h] Re. 21. 23.
[i] Ps. 85. 10.
[i] *draw out.*

3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; *so* shalt thou dwell in the land, and [o] verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight [b] thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

5 † Commit [c] thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass.

6 And [d] he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

7 § Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: [e] fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: [f] fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall [h] inherit the earth.

10 For [i] yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be*: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.

11 But [m] the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

12 The wicked [l] plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that [p] his day is coming.

14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, *to* cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay [o] such as be of upright conversation.

15 Their [r] sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.

16 A [s] little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.

17 For [u] the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.

18 The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be [y] for ever.

19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and [z] in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as the § fat of lambs: they shall consume; [b] into smoke shall they consume away.

21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.

22 For [c] *such as be* blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and *they that be* cursed of him shall be cut off.

23 The *f* steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.

24 Though [g] he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.

25 I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

26 *He i* is § ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed *is* blessed.

27 Depart [k] from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.

28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: [l] but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.

30 The [m] mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.

31 The [p] law of his God *is* in his heart; none of his § steps shall slide.

[o] *in truth, or, stableness.*
[a] 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[b] Is. 58. 14.
[c] Pr. 20. 22.
† *Roll thy way upon.*
[d] Lu. 12. 22. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[e] Mi. 7. 9.
‡ *or, tree that groweth in his own soil.*
§ *Be silent to*
[f] Is. 30. 15. La. 3 26.
[g] Je. 12. 5.
[h] Is. 32. 17. 57. 2.
[i] Ep. 4. 26.
[k] Ix. 57. 13.
[l] He. 10. 36, 37
[m] Is. 31. 5.
[n] Mat. 5. 5.
[o] 1 Ch. 5. 20. Da. 6. 23.
|| *or, practiseth.*
[p] 1 Sa. 26. 10.
[o] *the upright of way.*
[r] Mi. 5. 6.
† *peace, or, health.*
[s] 1 Tl. 6. 6.
[t] Ezr. 9. 6.
[u] Job 38. 15.
[v] Mat. 11. 28.
‡ *wearied.*
[x] Job 30. 28.
[y] Is. 60. 21.
[z] Job 5. 20.
[a] Is. 59. 11.
§ *precious-ness.*
[b] Ps. 102. 3.
|| *is not with me.*
[c] Pr. 3. 33.
[d] Lu. 10. 31. 32
[e] *stroke.*
† *or, neighbours.*
[f] Lu. 23. 49.
[g] Pr. 16. 9.
‡ *or, established.*
[h] Mi. 7. 8. 2 Co. 4. 9.
[i] 2 Sa. 16. 7, 8.
[k] De. 15. 8, 10.
§ *all the day.*
|| *or, thee do I wait for.*
[l] Is. 1. 16, 17.
[m] *or, answer.*
[n] Is. 14. 20.
† *for halting.* Ps. 35. 15.
[o] Pr. 28. 13.
[p] Mat. 12. 35.
[q] 2 Co. 7. 9, 10.
‡ *being living, are.*
[r] Is. 51. 7. Je. 31. 33. He. 8. 10.
§ *or, goings.*

32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

33 The LORD [a] will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

34 Wait [s] on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see *it*.

35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green † bay tree.

36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not; yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for [t] the end of *that* man *is* peace.

38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

39 But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble.

40 And [u] the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, [v] because they trust in him.

PSALM XXXVIII.

A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.

3 *There is* no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither *is there any* † rest in my bones because of my sin.

4 For [x] mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too [y] heavy for me.

5 My wounds stink *and* are corrupt because of my foolishness.

6 I am † troubled; I am bowed down greatly; [z] I go mourning all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled with a loathsome *disease:* and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.

8 I am feeble and sore broken: [a] I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.

9 Lord, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also † is gone from me.

11 My lovers and my friends [b] stand aloof from my [c] sore; and my † kinsmen [c] stand afar off.

12 They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me:* and they that seek my hurt [d] speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.

13 But I, as a deaf *man*, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.

14 Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.

15 For ‡ in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt [e] hear, O Lord my God.

16 For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify *themselves* against me.

17 For I *am* ready † to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.

18 For I will [m] declare mine iniquity; I will be [e] sorry for my sin.

19 But mine enemies † *are* lively, *and* they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

20 They also that render evil for good

[s] *in truth, or, stableness.*
[a] 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[b] Is. 58. 14.
[c] Pr. 20. 22.
† *Roll thy way upon.*
[d] Lu. 12. 22. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[e] Mi. 7. 9.
‡ *or, tree that groweth in his own soil.*
§ *Be silent to*
[f] Is. 30. 15. La. 3 26.
[g] Je. 12. 5.
[h] Is. 32. 17. 57. 2.
[i] Ep. 4. 26.
[k] Ix. 57. 13.
[l] He. 10. 36, 37
[m] Is. 31. 5.
[n] Mat. 5. 5.
[o] 1 Ch. 5. 20. Da. 6. 23.
|| *or, practiseth.*
[p] 1 Sa. 26. 10.
[o] *the upright of way.*
[r] Mi. 5. 6.
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[s] 1 Tl. 6. 6.
[t] Ezr. 9. 6.
[u] Job 38. 15.
[v] Mat. 11. 28.
‡ *wearied.*
[x] Job 30. 28.
[y] Is. 60. 21.
[z] Job 5. 20.
[a] Is. 59. 11.
§ *precious-ness.*
[b] Ps. 102. 3.
|| *is not with me.*
[c] Pr. 3. 33.
[d] Lu. 10. 31. 32
[e] *stroke.*
† *or, neighbours.*
[f] Lu. 23. 49.
[g] Pr. 16. 9.
‡ *or, established.*
[h] Mi. 7. 8. 2 Co. 4. 9.
[i] 2 Sa. 16. 7, 8.
[k] De. 15. 8, 10.
§ *all the day.*
|| *or, thee do I wait for.*
[l] Is. 1. 16, 17.
[m] *or, answer.*
[n] Is. 14. 20.
† *for halting.* Ps. 35. 15.
[o] Pr. 28. 13.
[p] Mat. 12. 35.
[q] 2 Co. 7. 9, 10.
‡ *being living, are.*
[r] Is. 51. 7. Je. 31. 33. He. 8. 10.
§ *or, goings.*

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are mine adversaries; [c] because I follow *the thing that* good *is*.

21 Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.

22 Make haste [d] to help me, O Lord [d] my salvation.

PSALM XXXIX.

To the chief Musician, even to [e] Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep [†] my [h] mouth with a bridle, [i] while the wicked is before me.

2 I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, *even* from good; and my sorrow was [§] stirred.

3 My heart was hot within me, while I was musing [m] the fire burned: *then* spake I with my tongue,

4 LORD, [e] make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it *is*; *that* I may know [‖] how frail I *am*.

5 Behold, thou hast made my days *as* an handbreadth; and mine age *is* as nothing before thee: verily every man [o] at his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.

6 Surely every man walketh in [†] a Pvain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: [p] he heapeth up *riches*, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

7 And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope *is* in thee.

8 Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.

9 I [r] was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst *it*.

10 Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the [t] blow of thine hand.

11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest [†] his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man *is* vanity. Selah.

12 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: [u] for I *am* a stranger with thee, *and* a sojourner, as all my fathers *were*.

13 O [x] spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.

PSALM XL.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

I [§] WAITED patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

2 He brought me up also out of [‖] an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, *and* established my goings.

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, *even* praise unto our God: many shall *see it*, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

4 Blessed [b] *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

5 Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderful works *which* thou hast done, [c] and thy thoughts *which are* to us-ward: [‖] they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee. *If* I would declare and speak *of them*, they are more than can be numbered.

6 Sacrifice [e] and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou [e] opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

7 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book *it is* [f] written of me,

8 I [g] delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law *is* [§] within [h] my heart.

9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, [§] thou knowest.

10 I [e] have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.

11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: *let* thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.

12 For innumerable evils have compassed me about: [‖] mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore [k] my heart [‡] faileth me.

13 Be [l] pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.

14 Let [m] them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.

15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.

16 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.

17 But I *am* poor and needy; *yet* [r] the Lord thinketh upon me: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

PSALM XLI.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

BLESSED *is* he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him [§] in time of trouble.

2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; *and* he shall be blessed upon the earth: and [o] thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.

3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt [‡] make all his bed in his sickness.

4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: [o] heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?

6 And if he come to see *me*, he [y] speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself; *when* he goeth abroad, he telleth *it*.

7 All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise [o] my hurt.

8 [†] An evil disease, *say they*, cleaveth fast unto him: and *now* that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

9 Yea, [z] mine [o] own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, [a] which did eat of my bread, hath [§] lifted up *his* heel against me.

10 But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

11 By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.

12 And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and [d] settest me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

PSALM XLII.

To the chief Musician, [†] Maschil, for the sons of Korah.

AS the hart [‡] panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My [c] soul thirsteth for God, for the

[c] 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[b] Ps. 139. 2.
[c] Ac. 20. 20, 27.
[d] *for my help*
[d] Is. 12. 2.
[e] 1 Ch. 16. 41. 25. 1.
[f] Ps. 57. 3.
[g] Ps. 38. 4.
[†] *a bridle, or, muzzle for my mouth.*
[h] Jo. 3. 2.
[i] Col. 4. 5.
[k] Ps. 73. 26.
[‡] *forsaketh.*
[§] *troubled.*
[l] Ps. 70. 1, &c.
[m] Jo. 20. 9.
[n] Ps. 71. 13.
[o] Ps. 90. 12.
[‖] or, *what time I have here.*
[o] *settled.*
[†] *an image.*
[p] 1 Co. 7. 31. Ja. 4. 14.
[r] 1 Pe. 2. 7.
[s] Ec. 2. 18, 21. La. 12. 20, 21
[t] Lo. 10. 3. Job 40. 4, 5.
[‡] or, *weak, or, sick.*
[§] *in the day of evil.*
[‖] *confiict.*
[o] or, *do not thou.*
[†] *that which is to be desired in him to melt away.*
[x] *turn.*
[z] 2 Co. 5. 6. Ha. 11. 13. 1 Pe. 1. 17. 2. 11.
[a] 2 Ch. 32. 30. Ps. 147. 3.
[a] Job 10. 20, 21 14. 5, 6.
[y] Pr. 26. 24, 25
[§] *In waiting I waited.*
[‖] *a pit of noise.*
[o] *evil to me.*
[†] *A thing of Belial.*
[z] *the man of my peace.*
[a] 2 Sa. 15. 12.
[a] Jno. 13. 18.
[§] *magnified.*
[b] Jo. 17. 7.
[c] Is. 55. 8.
[‖] or, *none can order them unto.*
[d] Job 36. 7.
[e] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ha. 13. Ha. 10. 5.
[e] *digged.* Ex. 21. 6.
[†] or, *A Psalm giving instruction of the sons.*
[f] Lu. 24. 44.
[g] Jno. 4. 34. Ro. 7. 22.
[h] *draweth.*
[§] *in the midst of my bowels.*
[i] 2 Co. 2. 3.
[c] Jno. 7. 37.

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living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while [a] they continually say unto me, Where *is* thy God?

4 When I remember these *things*, [b] I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, [c] I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.

5 Why art thou [†] cast down, O my soul? and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet [‡] praise him *for* the help of his countenance.

6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from [d] the hill Mizar.

7 Deep [e] calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: [f] all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.

8 *Yet* the LORD will [g] command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and [h] in the night his song *shall be* with me, *and* my prayer unto the God of my life.

9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

10 *As* with a [†] sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; [i] while they say daily unto me, Where *is* thy God?

11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM XLIII.

JUDGE me, O God, and plead my cause against an [§] ungodly nation: O deliver me from [k] the deceitful and unjust man.

2 For thou *art* the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto [l] thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

4 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God [m] my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.

5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM XLIV.

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, Maschil.

WE have heard with our ears, O God, [n] our fathers have told us, *what* work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

2 *How* [o] thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; *how* thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

3 For [p] they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, [q] because thou hadst a favour unto them.

4 Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.

5 Through thee [r] will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

6 For [s] I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

7 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

8 In [t] God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.

9 But thou hast cast *us* off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.

10 Thou makest us to [u] turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves.

11 Thou [v] hast given us [w] like sheep *appointed* for meat; and hast [x] scattered us among the heathen.

12 Thou [y] sellest thy people [§] for nought, and dost not increase *thy wealth* by their price.

13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us.

14 Thou [z] makest us a byword among the heathen, [aa] a shaking of the head among the people.

15 My confusion *is* continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,

16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and blaspheneth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.

17 All [b] this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.

18 Our heart is not turned back, [c] neither have our [†] steps declined from thy way;

19 Though thou hast sore broken us [d] in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.

20 If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;

21 Shall [e] not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

22 Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.

23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast *us* not off for ever.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, *and* forgettest our affliction and our oppression?

25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.

26 Arise [‡] for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.

PSALM XLV.

To the chief Musician [ab] upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, [ac] Maschil, A Song of loves.

MY heart [§] is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue *is* the pen of a ready writer.

2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: [ad] grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.

3 Gird thy [ae] sword upon *thy* thigh, O most mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.

4 And [af] in thy majesty [‖] ride prosperously because of truth and meekness *and* righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

5 Thine arrows *are* sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; *whereby* the people fall under thee.

6 Thy [ag] throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom *is* a right sceptre.

7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore [ah] God, [ai] thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

8 All [aj] thy garments *smell* of myrrh, and

[a] Ps. 115. 2. Je. 9. 24. Ro. 2. 17.
[b] Job 30. 16.
[c] Is. 30. 29.
[d] Le. 23. 17. De. 26. 2. Jos. 7. 6, 12.
[e] Ro. 8. 38.
[f] *as sheep of meat.*
[†] *boweddown.*
[‡] or, *give thanks.*
[g] Ps. 42. 7. Je. 15. 13.
[h] *without riches.*
[i] or, *his presence is salvation.*
[k] or, *the little hill,* Ps. 133. 3.
[l] Je. 4. 20. Eze. 7. 26.
[m] Is. 24. 9.
[n] Jon. 2. 3.
[o] 2 Ki. 19. 21. Job 16. 4.
[p] Le. 25. 21. De. 28. 8. Mat. 8. 8.
[q] Job 35. 10. Ac. 16. 25.
[r] Da. 9. 13.
[†] or, *killing.*
[s] Joel 2. 17. Mi. 7. 10. Job 23. 11.
[‡] or, *groans.*
[t] Is. 34. 13. 35. 7.
[u] Ps. 139. 1. Job 31. 14. Je. 17. 10.
[§] or, *unmerciful.*
[‖] *a man of deceit and iniquity.*
[v] Ps. 2. 4.
[w] *the gladness of my joy.*
[†] *a help for us.*
[x] Ps. 69, 80, title.
[y] or, *of instruction.*
[§] *bolden,* or, *bubbleth up.*
[z] Ps. 78. 3. Ex. 12. 26, 27.
[a] Lu. 4. 22.
[b] Ps. 80. 6. Ex. 15. 17. De. 7. 1.
[c] He. 4. 12. Re. 1. 16.
[d] Re. 6. 2.
[‖] *prosper thou, ride thou.*
[e] De. 8. 17. Jos. 24. 12. 2 Co. 4. 7.
[f] De. 4. 37. 7. 7, 8. 1 Sa. 12. 22. Mal. 1. 2, 3. Ro. 9. 10..13.
[g] He. 1. 8.
[h] Da. 8. 4.
[i] or, *O God.*
[k] Is. 61. 1.
[l] Ho. 1. 7.
[m] Ca. 1. 3.

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aloes, *and* cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

9 Kings' daughters *were* among thy honourable women: [d] upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.

10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; [f] forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;

11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: [g] for he *is* thy Lord; and worship thou him.

12 And the daughter of Tyre *shall be there* with a gift; *even* [h] the rich among the people shall intreat † thy favour.

13 The [i] king's daughter *is* all glorious within: her clothing *is* of wrought gold.

14 She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, [o] whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

17 I [p] will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.

PSALM XLVI.

To the chief Musician || for the sons of Korah. [q] A Song upon [r] Alamoth.

GOD *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the [s] midst of the sea;

3 *Though* [t] the waters thereof roar *and* be troubled, *though* the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

4 *There is* [u] a river, the streams whereof shall make glad [v] the city of God, the holy *place* of the tabernacles of the most high.

5 God *is* [w] in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, § *and that* right early.

6 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

7 The [x] LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* [y] our refuge. Selah.

8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

9 He [z] maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; [a] he burneth the chariot in the fire.

10 Be still, and know that I *am* God: [b] I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.

PSALM XLVII.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm † for the sons of Korah.

O [c] CLAP your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

2 For the LORD most high *is* terrible; [m] *he is* a great King over all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose our [p] inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.

5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

7 For [e] God *is* the King of all the earth: [f] sing ye praises * with understanding.

8 God [g] reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

9 The † princes of the people are gathered together, [o] *even* the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth *belong* unto God: he is greatly exalted.

PSALM XLVIII.

A Song *and* Psalm ‡ for the sons of Korah.

GREAT *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, *in* the mountain of his holiness.

2 Beautiful for situation, [h] the joy of the whole earth, *is* mount Zion, [i] *on* the sides of the north, [m] the city of the great King.

3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

4 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.

5 They saw *it, and* so they marvelled; they were troubled, *and* hasted away.

6 Fear [n] took hold upon them there, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.

7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish [r] with an east wind.

8 As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.

9 We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

10 According to [o] thy name, O God, so *is* thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.

12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

13 † Mark ye well her bulwarks, ‡ consider her palaces; that ye may tell *it* to the generation following.

14 For this God *is* our God for ever and ever: he will [p] be our guide *even* unto death.

PSALM XLIX.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm || for the sons of Korah.

HEAR this, all *ye* people; give ear, all *ye* inhabitants of the world:

2 Both low and high, rich and poor, together.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart *shall be* of understanding.

4 I [q] will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, *when* the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?

6 They that [h] trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;

7 None *of them* can by any means redeem his brother, nor [i] give to God a ransom for him:

8 (For [l] the redemption of their soul *is* precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)

9 That he should still live for ever, *and* not see corruption.

10 For he seeth *that* [m] wise men die, likewise [n] the fool and the brutish person perish, [r] and leave their wealth to others.

11 Their inward thought *is, that* their houses *shall continue* for ever, *and* their dwelling places ‡ to all generations; they [o] call *their* lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless man *being* in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts *that* perish.

[c] Zec. 14. 9.
[d] 1 Co. 14. 15.
* or, every one *that hath.*
[e] Ro. 19. 6.
[d] 1 Ki. 2. 19.
† or, *voluntary of the people are gathered* unto *the people, &c.*
[e] Ro. 4. 11, 13.
[f] De. 21. 13.
[g] Is. 54. 5.
‡ or, *of.*
[h] Is. 49. 23. 60. 3.
§ *thy face.*
[i] Re. 19. 7, 8.
[k] Ezr. 30. 6.
[l] Is. 14. 13.
[m] Mat. 5. 35.
[n] Ex. 15. 15.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 9. Re. 1. 6. 5. 10. 20. 6.
[p] Mal. 1. 11.
[r] Je. 18. 17.
|| or, *of.*
[s] Ps. xlviii. lxvi.
[t] 1 Ch. 15. 20.
[u] Mal. 1. 11, 14.
[v] *heart of the seas.*
[w] Je. 5. 22. Mat. 7. 25.
[x] Is. 8. 7.
† *Set your heart to.*
‡ or, *raise up*
[y] Is. 60. 14.
[z] De. 23. 14. Is. 12. 6. Eze. 43. 7, 9. Ho. 11. 9. Joel 2. 27. Zec. 8. 3.
§ *when the morning appeareth.* Ex. 14. 24, 27
[a] 2 Ch. 20. 29.
[b] Is. 26. 11.
|| or, *of.*
[c] Nu. 14. 9.
* *an high place for us.* Ps. 9. 9.
[d] Is. 4.
[e] Eze. 30. 9.
[f] Mat. 13. 35.
[g] Ro. 3. 24, 25. 8. 33, 34.
[h] Is. 2. 11, 17.
[i] Job 31. 24, 25 Mar. 10. 24. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
† or, *of.*
[l] Mat. 16. 26.
[m] Is. 55. 12.
[n] Job 36. 18, 19
[o] Mal. 1. 14.
[p] Ec. 2. 16.
[q] Ps. 94. 8.
[r] 1 Ps. 1. 4. Pr. 11. 4. Ec. 2. 18, 21.
‡ *to generation and generation.*
[s] Ge. 4. 17. 2 Sa. 18. 18.

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13 This their way *is* their [a]folly: yet their posterity [b] approve their sayings. Selah.
14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and [c] the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their [†] beauty shall consume [‡] in the grave from their dwelling.
15 But God [d] will redeem my soul from the [§] power of [e] the grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.
16 Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;
17 For when he dieth [f] he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.
18 Though [†] while he lived [g] he blessed his soul: and *men* will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself.
19 [†] He shall [f] go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see [m] light.
20 Man *that is* in honour, and understandeth not, [n] is like the beasts *that* perish.

PSALM L. A Psalm [§] of Asaph.

THE [o] mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.
2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, [m] God hath shined.
3 Our God shall come, [p] and shall not keep silence: [p] a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.
4 He [q] shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.
5 Gather [r] my saints together unto me; [s] those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.
6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God *is* judge himself. Selah.
7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: [t] I *am* God, *even* thy God.
8 I [f] will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, *to have been* continually before me.
9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, *nor* he goats out of thy folds.
10 For every beast of the forest *is* mine, *and* the cattle upon a thousand hills.
11 I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field *are* [u] mine.
12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: [a] for the world *is* mine, and the fulness thereof.
13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?
14 Offer [p] unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most high:
15 And [r] call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.
16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or *that* thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?
17 Seeing [t] thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee.
18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou [v] consentedst with him, and [‡] hast been [y] partaker with adulterers.
19 Thou [a] givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.
20 Thou sittest *and* speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son.
21 These *things* hast thou done, [b] and I kept silence; [c] thou thoughtest that I was altogether *such an one* as thyself; *but* I will reprove thee, and set *them* in order before thine eyes.
22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear *you* in pieces, and *there* be none to deliver.
23 Whoso [d] offereth praise glorifieth me: and [e] to him that [§] ordereth *his* conversation *aright* will I shew the salvation of God.

PSALM LI.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, *f* when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies [h] blot out my transgressions.
2 Wash [h] me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin *is* ever before me.
4 Against [m] thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done *this* evil [p] in thy sight: [r] that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.
5 Behold, [i] I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother [‡] conceive me.
6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom.
7 Purge [m] me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be [s] whiter than snow.
8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken [h] may rejoice.
9 Hide [e] thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.
10 Create *f* in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a [a] right spirit within me.
11 Cast me not away [t] from thy presence; and take not thy [b] holy spirit from me.
12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* [b] free spirit.
13 *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
14 Deliver me from [†] bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: *and* my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.
15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
16 For [m] thou desirest not sacrifice; [c] else would I give *it:* thou delightest not in burnt offering.
17 The [a] sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.
18 Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.

PSALM LII.

To the chief Musician, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, *g* when Doeg the Edomite came and [u] told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Ahimelech.

WHY boastest thou thyself in mischief, O [v] mighty man? the goodness of God *endureth* continually.
2 Thy [a] tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.
3 Thou lovest evil more than good; *and* [a] lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah.
4 Thou lovest all devouring words, [†] O *thou* deceitful tongue.

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5 God shall likewise [a] destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of *thy* dwelling place, and [b] root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.

6 The [c]righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:

7 Lo, *this is* the man *that* made not God his strength; but [d] trusted in the abundance of his riches, *and* strengthened himself in his [†] wickedness.

8 But I *am* like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done *it*: and I will wait on thy name; [e] for *it is* good before thy saints.

PSALM LIII.

To the chief Musician upon Mahalath, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

THE [f] fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: [‡] *there is* none that doeth good.

2 God [g] looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were *any* that did understand, that did [=] seek God.

3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.

4 Have the workers of iniquity [=] no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread: they have not called upon God.

5 There [e] were they in great fear, *where* no fear was: for God hath [p] scattered the bones of him that encampeth *against* thee: thou hast put *them* to shame, because God hath despised them.

6 † Oh that the salvation of Israel were *come* out of Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.

PSALM LIV.

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, [=] when the Ziphims came and said to Saul, Doth not David hide himself with us?

SAVE me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God, give ear to the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.

4 Behold, God *is* mine helper: the Lord *is* with them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall reward evil unto † mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.

6 I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O LORD; [e] for *it is* good.

7 For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: [‡] and mine eye hath seen *his desire* upon mine enemies.

PSALM LV.

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

GIVE ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.

2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn [e] in my complaint, and make a noise;

3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: [f] for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

4 My [§] heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath [e] overwhelmed me.

6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! *for then* would I fly away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, *then* would I wander far off, *and* remain in the wilderness. Selah.

8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm *and* tempest.

9 Destroy, O Lord, *and* divide their tongues: for I have seen [d] violence and strife in the city.

10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow *are* in the midst of it.

11 Wickedness *is* in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

12 For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me; then I could have borne *it*: neither *was it* he that hated me *that* did [‡] magnify *himself* against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

13 But *it was* thou, a man [‡] mine equal, [‖] my guide, and mine acquaintance.

14 § We took sweet counsel together, *and* walked unto the house of God in company.

15 Let death seize upon them, *and* let them [i] go down quick into [k] hell: for wickedness *is* in their dwellings, *and* among them.

16 As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.

17 Evening, [e] and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.

18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle *that was* against me: for [p] there were many with me.

19 God shall hear, and afflict them, [e] even he that abideth of old. Selah. ‡ Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.

20 He hath [‡] put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath § broken his covenant.

21 *The words* of his mouth were smoother than butter, [=] but war *was* in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet *were* they drawn swords.

22 Cast [=] thy [†] burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: [e] bloody and deceitful men [y] shall not † live out half their days; but I will trust in thee.

PSALM LVI.

To the chief Musician upon Jonath-elem-rechokim, § Michtam of David, when the [z] Philistines took him in Gath.

BE merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.

2 Mine [‖] enemies would daily swallow *me* up: for *they be* many that fight against me, O thou most high.

3 What time I am afraid, [e] I will trust in thee.

4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; [d] I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

5 Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts *are* against me for evil.

6 They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.

7 Shall they escape by iniquity? in *thine* anger cast down the people, O God.

8 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: [h] *are they* not in thy book?

9 When I cry *unto thee*, then shall mine

[a] *beat thee down.*
[b] Ps. 2. 12.
[c] Job 22. 19. Mal. 1. 5.
[d] Ps. 49. 6.
[e] Jo. 6. 7.
[†] *or, substance.*
[e] Ps. 54. 6.
[f] Ps. 35. 26. 38. 16.
[g] Ps. 10. 4.
[‡] *according to my rank.*
[h] 2 Sa. 15. 12. Je. 9. 4.
[i] Ro. 3. 10.
[§] *Who sweetened counsel.*
[k] Ps. 33. 13.
[l] Nu. 16. 30.
[‖] *or, the grave.*
[=] 2 Ch. 15. 2. 19. 3.
[=] Jo. 4. 22.
[e] Lu. 18. 1. Ac. 3. 1. 10.3,9,30. 1 Th. 5. 17.
[e] *they feared a fear.* Ps. 14. 5.
[p] Exo. 6. 5.
[r] 2Ch. 32.7,8.
[†] De. 33. 27.
[‡] *Who will give salvations, &c.*
[‡] *or, With whom also there be no changes, yet they.*
[i] Ac. 12. 1.
[§] *profaned.*
[=] 1 Sa. 23. 19. 26. 1.
[p] Pr. 5. 3, 4. 12. 18.
[x] Mat. 6. 25. Lu. 12. 22. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[‖] *or, gift.*
[e] *men of bloods and deceit.*
[y] Pr. 10. 27. Ec. 7. 17.
[†] *half their days.*
[‡] *those that observe me.* Ps. 5. 8.
[§] *or, a golden Psalm.* Ps. 16. title.
[z] 1 Sa. 21. 11.
[a] Ps. 52. 9.
[b] Ps. 59. 10. 92. 11.
[‖] *observers.* Ps. 54. 5.
[e] 2 Ch. 20. 3. 2Co.1.8..10.
[d] Is. 31. 3. 41. 10. Lu. 12. 4, 5. He. 13. 6.
[e] Is. 38. 14.
[f] 2 Sa. 16.7,8. 19. 19.
[g] Ps. 11a. 3.
[h] Mal. 3. 16.
[e] *covered me*

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enemies turn back: this I know; for[a] God *is* for me.

10 In God will I praise *his* word: in the LORD will I praise *his* word.

11 In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

12 Thy vows *are* upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.

13 For[b] thou hast delivered my soul from death: *wilt not thou deliver* my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in[d] the light of the living?

PSALM LVII.

To the chief Musician, § Al-taschith, Michtam of David, [e] when he fled from Saul in the cave.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, [f] until *these* calamities be overpast.

2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth *all things* for me.

3 He shall send from heaven, and save me [g] *from* the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.

4 My soul *is* among lions: *and* I lie *even among* them that are set on fire, *even* the sons of men, [h] whose teeth *are* spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.

6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen *themselves*. Selah.

7 My [i] heart is ‡ fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: [m] I will sing and give praise.

8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.

9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations.

10 For thy mercy *is* great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.

11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.

PSALM LVIII.

To the chief Musician, ‖ Al-taschith, Michtam of David.

DO ye indeed speak righteousness, O congregation? do ye judge uprightly, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, [r] in heart ye work wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your hands in the earth.

3 The [s] wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray ‡ as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

4 Their poison *is* § like the poison of a serpent: *they are* like [u] the deaf ‖ adder *that* stoppeth her ear;

5 Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, [v] charming never so wisely.

6 Break [y] their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great teeth of the young lions, O LORD.

7 Let [z] them melt away as waters *which* run continually: *when* he bendeth *his bow to shoot* his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.

8 As a snail *which* melteth, let *every one of them* pass away: [a] *like* the untimely birth of a woman, *that* they may not see the sun.

9 Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away [d] as with a whirlwind, § both living, and in *his* wrath.

[a] Ro. 8. 31.
[b] *fruit of the, &c.* Is. 3. 10.
† or, *Destroy not, A golden Psalm of David.*
[b] Ps. 116. 8.
[c] 1 Sa. 19. 11.
[d] Job 33. 30.
‡ *set me on high.*
§ or, *Destroy not, A golden Psalm.*
[e] Ps. 142. title 1 Sa. 22. 1. 24. 3.
[f] 1 Sa. 24. 11.
[g] Is. 26. 20.
‖ *meet me.*
[h] or, *As reproacheth him.*
[h] Pr. 30. 14.
[i] Pr. 12. 18.
[k] 1 Sa. 19. 16.
† *high place.*
[l] Ps. 108. 1, &c
‡ or, *prepared.*
[m] Is. 63. 7. Ep. 5. 20. Phi. 4. 4, 6.
§ *observers.* Ps. 56. 2.
[n] Ge. 4. 12, 15.
[o] Ps. 83. 18.
‖ or, *Destroy not, A golden Psalm of David.*
[p] Job 15. 23.
[q] *to eat.*
† or, *if they be not satisfied, then they will stay all night.*
[r] Is. 10. 1. 59. 4, 6. Je. 22. 16, 17. Jno. 11. 47, 53.
[s] Ps. 51. 5. Is. 48. 8.
‡ *from the belly.*
[t] Ps. 18. 1.
§ *according to the likeness.*
[u] Je. 8. 17.
‖ or, *asp.*
[v] Ps. 80. title.
[y] or, *be the charmer never so cunning.*
† or, *A golden Psalm.*
[z] 2 Sa. 8. 3, 13. 1 Ch. 18. 3, 12
[y] Job 4. 10.
[z] Jos. 7. 5.
‡ *broken.*
[a] Job 3. 16. Ec. 6. 3.
[b] 2 Ch. 7. 14.
[c] Is. 51. 17, 22. Je. 25. 15.
[d] Pr. 10. 25.
§ *as living as wrath.*

10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked.

11 So that a man shall say, Verily *there is* [c] a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God that judgeth in the earth.

PSALM LIX.

To the chief Musician, † Al-taschith, Michtam of David; [e] when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him.

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O my God: ‡ defend me from them that rise up against me.

2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody men.

3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered against me; ‡ not *for* my transgression, nor *for* my sin, O LORD.

4 They run and prepare themselves without *my* fault: awake to § help me, and behold.

5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah.

6 They return at evening: they make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: [i] swords *are* in their lips: for who, *say they*, doth hear?

8 But [k] thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the heathen in derision.

9 *Because of* his strength will I wait upon thee: for God *is* my † defence.

10 The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall let me see *my desire* upon mine § enemies.

11 Slay [n] them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power; and bring them down, O Lord our shield.

12 *For* the sin of their mouth *and* the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying *which* they speak.

13 Consume *them* in wrath, consume *them*, that they *may* not *be*: and [o] let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth. Selah.

14 And at evening let them return; *and* let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.

15 Let them [p] wander up and down [q] for meat, † and grudge if they be not satisfied.

16 But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, [t] O my strength, will I sing: for God *is* my defence, *and* the God of my mercy.

PSALM LX.

To the chief Musician [u] upon Shushan-eduth, † Michtam of David, to teach; [x] when he strove with Aram-naharaim and with Aram-zobah, when Joab returned, and smote of Edom in the valley of salt twelve thousand.

O GOD, thou hast cast us off, thou hast ‡ scattered us, thou hast been displeased; O turn thyself to us again.

2 Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: [b] heal the breaches thereof; for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: [c] thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.

4 Thou hast given a banner to them

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that feared thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah.

5 That thy beloved may be delivered; save *with* thy right hand, and hear me.

6 God hath [a] spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out [d] the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead *is* mine, and Manasseh *is* mine; [e] Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; [f] Judah *is* my lawgiver;

8 Moab [h] *is* my washpot; [i] over Edom will I cast out my shoe: [k] Philistia, triumph thou † because of me.

9 Who will bring me *into* the § strong city? who will lead me into Edom?

10 *Wilt* not thou, O God, *which* hadst cast us off? and *thou*, O God, *which* didst not go out with our armies?

11 Give us help from trouble: for vain *is* the [o] help of man.

12 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall [t] tread down our enemies.

PSALM LXI.

To the chief Musician upon Neginah, *A Psalm* of David.

HEAR my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock *that* is higher than I.

3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* [m] a strong tower from the enemy.

4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will § trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.

5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given *me* the heritage of those that fear thy name.

6 Thou ‖ wilt prolong the king's life: *and* his years as [p] many generations.

7 He shall abide before God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth, *which* may preserve him.

8 So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform my vows.

PSALM LXII.

To the chief Musician, to [P] Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.

TRULY † my soul † waiteth upon God: from him *cometh* my salvation.

2 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *he is* my § defence; I shall not be greatly moved.

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shall be slain all of you: [s] as a bowing wall *shall ye be, and as* a tottering fence.

4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse ‖ inwardly. Selah.

5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.

6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.

7 In [v] God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.

8 Trust in him at all times; ye people, [x] pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us. Selah.

9 Surely [y] men of low degree *are* vanity, *and* men of high degree *are* a lie: to be laid in the balance, they *are* † altogether *lighter* than vanity.

10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: [a] if riches increase, set not your heart *upon them*.

[o] *or, strength*
[m] Ps. 19. 1.
[b] Ps. 89. 35.
[e] Mat. 16. 27. Ro. 2. 6.
[d] 2 Co. 5. 10. Ep. 6. 8. Col. 3. 25.
[e] Ps. 22. 12.
[d] Jos. 13. 27.
[e] De. 33. 17.
[f] 1 Sa. 23. 5. 33.14..16.
[g] Ge. 49. 10.
[h] 2 Sa. 8. 2.
[i] 2 Sa. 8. 14.
[k] 2 Sa. 8. 1.
† *or, over me:* (by an irony.) Ps. 108. 10.
[t] *city of strength.* 2 Sa. 11. 1. 12.26.
§ *weary.*
‖ *without water.*
[o] *salvation.*
[i] Nu. 24. 18. 1 Ch. 19. 13. Is. 63. 3.
† *fatness.*
[m] Pr. 18. 10.
[n] Ecc. 35. 5.
[p] *make him run out* like water *by the hands of.*
§ *or, make my refuge.*
‖ *shall add days to the days of the king.*
[p] *generation and generations.*
[o] Je. 9. 3.
[P] 1 Ch. 25. 1, 3.
† *or, Only.*
[r] *is silent.* Ps. 65. 1. Pr. 1. 11.
§ *high places.* Ps. 56. 9, 17.
‖ *or, speech.*
[s] *to hide snares.*
† *or, we are consumed by that which they have throughly searched.*
[t] *a search searched.*
[s] Is. 30. 13.
§ *their wound shall be.*
[t] Pr. 12. 13 18. 7.
‖ *in their inward parts*
[u] Je. 50. 28. 51. 10.
[v] Je. 3. 23.
[x] 1 Sa. 1. 15.
[y] La. 2. 19.
[y] Is. 40. 15, 17. Ro. 3. 4.
[z] *us silent.*
† *or, abhor.*
[a] Is. 66. 23. Lu. 12. 15.
[a] 1 Ti. 6. 17.
‡ *Words, or, Matters of iniquities.*

11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that [b] power [c] *belongeth* unto God.

12 Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for [d] thou renderest to every man according to his work.

PSALM LXIII.

A Psalm of David, [f] when he was in the wilderness of Judah.

O GOD, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and † thirsty land, ‖ where no water is;

2 To see thy power and thy glory, so *as* I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

3 Because thy lovingkindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.

5 My soul shall be satisfied as *with* † marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:

6 When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the *night* watches.

7 Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

8 My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

9 But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it*, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

10 They [e] shall † fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.

11 But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by him shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM LXIV.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, [e] *and* bend *their bows to shoot* their arrows, *even* bitter words:

4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not.

5 They [r] encourage themselves *in* an evil ‖ matter: they commune [s] of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?

6 They search out iniquities; † they accomplish † a diligent search: both the inward *thought* of every one *of them*, and the heart, *is* deep.

7 But God shall shoot at them *with* an arrow; suddenly § shall they be wounded.

8 So they shall make [t] their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee away.

9 And all men shall fear, and shall [u] declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing.

10 The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory.

PSALM LXV.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm and Song of David.

PRAISE [a] waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

2 O thou that hearest prayer, [z] unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 ‡ Iniquities prevail against me: *as for*

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our transgressions, thou shalt [a] purge them away.

4 Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, and causest to approach *unto thee, that* he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, *even* of thy holy temple.

5 *By* terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; [b] *who art* the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off *upon* the sea:

6 Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; *being* girded with power:

7 Which [c] stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, [d] and the tumult of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to [e] rejoice.

9 Thou [f] visitest the earth, and [g] waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, *which* is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou [h] settlest the furrows thereof: thou [i] makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

11 Thou crownest the year [k] with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

12 They drop *upon* the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills [l] rejoice on every side.

13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; [m] the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

PSALM LXVI.

To the chief Musician, A Song *or* Psalm.

MAKE a joyful noise unto God, all [n] ye lands:

2 Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

3 Say unto God, How terrible *art thou* in thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies [o] submit themselves unto thee.

4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing *to* thy name. Selah.

5 Come and see the works of God: *he is* terrible in *his* doing toward the children of men.

6 He [p] turned the sea into dry *land*: [q] they went through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice in him.

7 He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:

9 Which [s] holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our [t] feet to be moved.

10 For [u] thou, O God, hast proved us: [v] thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.

11 Thou [w] broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.

12 Thou [x] hast caused men to ride over our heads; [y] we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a [z] wealthy *place*.

13 I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: [a] I will pay thee my vows,

14 Which my lips have [b] uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.

15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of [c] fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.

16 Come [d] *and* hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.

17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If [e] I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*:

19 *But* verily [f] God hath heard *me*; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.

20 Blessed [g] be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

PSALM LXVII.

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us; *and* [h] cause his face to shine [i] upon us. Selah.

2 That [k] thy way may be known upon earth, [l] thy saving health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and [m] govern the nations upon earth. Selah.

5 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

6 *Then* [n] shall the earth yield her increase; *and* God, *even* our own God, shall bless us.

7 God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

PSALM LXVIII.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *or* Song of David.

LET [o] God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee [p] before him.

2 As [q] smoke is driven away, *so* drive *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, *so* let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad: let them rejoice before God: yea, let them [r] exceedingly rejoice.

4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: [s] extol him that rideth upon the heavens [t] by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, *is* God in his holy habitation.

6 God [u] setteth the solitary in [v] families: [w] he bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry *land*.

7 O God, [x] when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness; Selah:

8 The [y] earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: *even* Sinai itself *was moved* at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, didst [z] send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst [a] confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: [b] thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word: great *was the* [c] company of those that published *it*.

12 Kings [d] of armies [e] did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, *yet shall ye be as* the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

[a] Ps. 51. 2. Is. 6. 7. He. 9. 14. 1 Joh. 1. 7, 9.
[b] Ps. 34. 11. 1 Ti. 1. 12...16
[c] Job 37. 9. Pr. 28. 9. Is. 1. 15. Joh. 9. 31. Ja. 4. 3.
[d] Ps. 116. 1, 2. Is. 3. 55, 56. He. 5. 7. 1 Joh. 3. 20.. 22.
[e] 2 Co. 1. 3. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[f] Mat. 6. 26.
[g] Is. 17. 12, 13.
[h] Nu. 6. 25.
[i] *with us.*
[k] Ac. 18. 25.
[l] Lu. 2. 30, 31. Tit. 2. 11.
† or, *sung.*
[m] De. 11. 12.
‡ or, *after thou hadst made it to desire* rain.
§ *lead.*
‖ or, *causest* rain *to descend* into.
[n] *dissolvest it*
[o] Le. 26. 4. Eze. 34. 27.
† *of thy.*
‡ *are girded with joy.*
[p] Is. 55. 13.
[q] Nu. 10. 35. Is. 33. 3.
§ *from his face.*
‖ *the earth.*
[r] Is. 9. 18. Ho. 13. 3.
[s] *lie*, or, *yield feigned obedience.* Ps. 18. 44. 81. 15.
† *rejoice with gladness.*
[t] De. 33. 26.
[u] Ex. 6. 3.
[v] Ex. 14. 21.
[w] 1 Sa. 2. 5.
‡ *a house.*
[x] Jos. 3. 14, 16.
[y] Ac. 12. 6, &c.
[z] Ex. 13. 21. Ju. 4. 14. Hab. 3. 13.
[a] Ex. 19. 16, 18 Is. 64. 1, 3.
§ *putteth.*
[b] Is. 26. 10.
[c] Zec. 13. 9. 1 Pe. 1. 6, 7.
‖ *shake out.*
[d] Le. 1. 13.
[e] *confirm it.*
[f] Is. 51. 23.
[g] Is. 43. 2.
[h] De. 28. 5, 9.
† *moist.*
‡ *army.*
[i] Ec. 5. 4.
[k] Jos. 10. 16. 12. 8.
§ *did flee, did flee.*
‖ *opened.*
[l] *marrow.*

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14 When [a] the Almighty scattered kings [b] in it, it was *white* as snow in Salmon.

15 The hill of God *is as* the hill of Bashan; an high hill *as* the hill of Bashan.

16 Why leap ye, ye high hills? [c] *this is* the hill *which* God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell *in it* for ever.

17 The [d] chariots of God *are* twenty thousand, *even* [†] thousands of angels: the Lord *is* among them, *as in* Sinai, in the holy *place*.

18 Thou [e] hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: *f* thou hast received gifts [§] for men; yea, *for* [g] the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell *among them*.

19 Blessed *be* the Lord, *who* daily loadeth us *with benefits*, *even* the God of our salvation. Selah.

20 *He that is* our God *is* the God of salvation; and [h] unto GOD the Lord *belong* the issues from death.

21 But God shall wound the head of his enemies, *and* the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

22 The Lord said, I will bring [m] again from Bashan, I will bring *my people* again [e] from the depths of the sea:

23 That thy foot may be [‖] dipped in the blood of *thine* enemies, *and* the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

24 They have seen thy goings, O God; *even* the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.

25 The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; among *them were* the damsels playing with timbrels.

26 Bless ye God in the congregations, even the Lord, † from [d] the fountain of Israel.

27 There is [n] little Benjamin *with* their ruler, the princes of Judah † *and* their council, the princes of Zebulun, *and* the princes of Naphtali.

28 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought for us.

29 Because of thy temple at Jerusalem [o] shall kings bring presents unto thee.

30 Rebuke the [‖] company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the people, *till every one* [a] submit himself with pieces of silver: † scatter thou the people *that* delight in war.

31 Princes [a] shall come out of Egypt; [e] Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah:

33 To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, *which were* of old; lo, he doth † send out his voice, *and that* a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe [g] ye strength unto God: his excellency *is* over Israel, and his strength *is* in the [§] clouds.

35 O God, *thou art* terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel *is* he that giveth strength and power unto *his* people. Blessed *be* God.

PSALM LXIX.

To the chief Musician [m] upon Shoshannim, *A Psalm* of David.

SAVE me, O God; for [e] the waters are come in unto *my* soul.

2 I sink in [‖] deep mire, where *there is* no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me.

3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God.

4 They that [b] hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, *being* mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored *that* which I took not away.

5 O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my † sins are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel.

7 Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face.

8 I [k] am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children.

9 For [i] the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; [l] and the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me.

10 When I wept, *and chastened* my soul with fasting, that was to my reproach.

11 I made sackcloth also my garment; [n] and I became a proverb to them.

12 They that sit in the gate speak against me; and [p] I *was* the song of the [o] drunkards.

13 But as for me, my prayer *is* unto thee, O LORD, [r] *in* an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation.

14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit [t] shut her mouth upon me.

16 Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness is good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

17 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: † hear me speedily.

18 Draw nigh unto my soul, *and* redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.

19 Thou hast known [u] my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries *are* all before thee.

20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and [p] I looked *for some* to [u] take pity, but *there was* none; and for comforters, but I found none.

21 They gave me also gall for my meat; [b] and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

22 Let [d] their table become a snare before them: and *that which should have been for their* welfare, *let it become* a trap.

23 Let [c] their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake.

24 Pour *f* out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them.

25 Let [h] their [‖] habitation be desolate; *and* let [c] none dwell in their tents.

26 For they persecute [i] *him* whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of † those whom thou hast wounded.

27 Add † iniquity [k] unto their iniquity: *f* and let them not come into thy righteousness.

28 Let them [m] be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.

29 But I *am* poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

30 I will praise the name of God with

[a] Nu. 21. 3.
[b] or, *for her, she was.*
[c] Jno. 15. 25.
[d] De. 12.5,11.
[e] 1 Ki. 9. 3.
[f] Ps. 19. 22. Ro. 9. 16.
[†] or, *many thousands.*
[‡] *guiltiness.*
[g] Ac. 1. 9. Ep. 4. 8.
[h] Ac. 2. 4, 33.
[§] *in the man.*
[i] 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[k] Is. 53. 3. Jno. 7. 5.
[l] Ps. 119.139. Jno. 2. 17.
[m] Ro. 1. 18. 10. 1.
[n] Ro. 15. 3.
[o] Nu. 21. 33.
[p] 1 Ki. 9. 7. Je. 24. 9.
[q] Ex. 14. 22.
[r] Job 20. 9. Ps.35.15,16.
[‖] or, *rod.*
[s] *drinkers of strong drink.*
[t] Is. 44. 6. 55. 6. 2 Co. 6. 2.
[†] or, ye that are *of the.*
[u] De. 23. 28. Is. 65. 1.
[v] Nu. 16. 33.
[w] 1 Sa. 9. 21.
[‡] or, with *their company.*
[§] *make haste to hear me.*
[x] Is. 53. 3. He. 12. 2.
[y] Is.60.16,17.
[‖] or, *beasts of the reeds,* Je.51.32,33.
[z] Ps. 143. 4. Is. 63. 5.
[a] 2 Sa. 8. 2, 6.
[b] *lament* with me.
[†] or, *he scattereth.*
[c] Is. 19.19,21.
[d] Jno. 19. 29.
[e] Is. 45. 14. Ac. 8. 27.
[f] Ro. 11.9,10.
[g] Jno. 12. 39, 40. 2 Co. 3. 14.
[‡] *give.*
[h] 1 Th. 2. 16.
[§] Ps. 29. 1.
[‖] or, *heavens.*
[i] Mat. 23. 38.
[‖] *palace.*
[k] *there not be a dweller.*
[l] Is. 53. 4.
[†] *thy wounded.*
[‡] or, *punishment of iniquity.*
[m] Ro. 1. 28.
[n] Is. 26. 10.
[m] Ps. 45.title.
[n] Ex. 32. 32.
[o] Jon. 2 5.
[§] *the mire of depth.*
[‖] *depth of waters.*

a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

31 *This* also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

32 The [a] humble shall see *this, and* be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God.

33 For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not [b] his prisoners.

34 Let [c] the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, [d] and every thing that [§] moveth therein.

35 For [e] God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein.

PSALM LXX.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, [h] to bring to remembrance.

MAKE haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to [*] help me, O LORD.

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.

4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

5 But I *am* poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying.

PSALM LXXI.

IN [a] thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.

2 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: [b] incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

3 Be thou [‡] my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou *art* my rock and my fortress.

4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

5 For thou *art* [c] my hope, O Lord GOD: *thou art* my trust from my youth.

6 By [d] thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise *shall be* continually of thee.

7 I [e] am as a wonder unto many; but thou *art* my strong refuge.

8 Let my mouth be filled *with* thy praise *and with* thy honour all the day.

9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.

10 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that [f] lay wait for my soul [g] take counsel together,

11 Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for *there is* none to deliver *him*.

12 O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.

13 Let [g] them be confounded *and* consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be covered *with* reproach and dishonour that seek my hurt.

14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.

15 My [d] mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness *and* thy salvation all the day; for [*] I know not the numbers *thereof*.

16 I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, *even* of thine only.

17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.

18 Now also [†] when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed [‡] thy strength unto *this* generation, *and* thy power to every one *that* is to come.

19 Thy righteousness also, O God, *is* very high, who hast done great things: O God, who *is* like unto thee!

20 *Thou,* [f] which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, [g] shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.

21 Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.

22 I will also praise thee with the [‖] psaltery, *even* thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou [i] Holy One of Israel.

23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and [k] my soul, which thou hast redeemed.

24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt.

PSALM LXXII.

A Psalm [†] for Solomon.

GIVE the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.

2 He [i] shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.

3 The [m] mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.

4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.

5 They shall fear thee [n] as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.

6 He [o] shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers *that* water the earth.

7 In his days shall the righteous flourish; [t] and abundance of peace [§] so long as the moon endureth.

8 He [u] shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; [v] and his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The [x] kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.

12 For he [y] shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and *him* that hath no helper.

13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

15 And he shall live, and to him [*] shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; *and* daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon:

[a] Ps. 40. 5. 139. 17, 18.
[*] or, *meek.*
[†] *unto old age and grey hairs.*
[b] Ps. 107. 10. 146. 7. Zec. 9. 11, 12 Ac. 5. 18, 19. 12. 4, 11. Ep. 3. 1. Re. 2. 10.
[‡] *thine arm.*
[c] Is. 44. 23. 49. 13. Re. 7. 11..13
[d] Is. 55. 12.
[§] *creepeth.*
[e] Ps. 51. 18. Is. 44. 26. 45. 17. Zep. 3. 16, 17
[f] Ps. 60. 3. Mar. 14. 33, 34. 15. 34. Ac. 14. 22. 1 Co. 11. 23 ..31. Re. 7. 14.
[g] He. 6. 1, 2.
[h] Ps. 38. title.
[‖] *instrument of psaltery.*
[i] 2 Ki. 19. 22. Is. 60. 9.
[*] *my help.*
[a] Ps. 103. 4.
[†] or, *of.* Ps. 127. title
[‡] Ps. 98. 1. 98. 9. Is. 11. 3..4. 52.
[m] Is. 33. 17. 52. 7.
[n] Ps. 25. 2, 3 31. 1.
[o] Ps. 17. 6.
[‡] *to me for a rock of habitation.*
[p] Ps. 89. 36, 37.
[r] 2 Sa. 23. 4. Ho. 6. 3.
[s] Je. 17. 7, 17.
[t] Is. 2. 4. Da. 2. 44. Lu. 1. 33.
[§] *till* there be *no* moon
[u] Is. 46. 3.
[v] Ex. 23. 31. 1 Ki. 4. 21, 24. Zec. 9. 10.
[x] Is. 8. 18. Zec. 3. 8. 1 Co. 4. 9.
[y] Is. 49. 23. Mi. 7. 17.
[z] 2 Ch. 9. 21. Is. 49. 7. 60. 6, 9.
[‖] *watch, or, observe.*
[*] 2 Sa. 17. 1. Mat. 27. 1.
[*] Job 29. 12.
[*] Ps. 70. 2.
[*] one *shall give.*
[d] Ps. 35. 28. 101. 33. 146. 2.

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and *they* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

17 His name shall [a] endure for ever: his name shall [†] be continued as long as the sun: and [b] *men* shall be blessed in him: [a] all nations shall call him blessed.

18 Blessed [c] *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.

19 And blessed *be* his glorious name for ever: [b] and let the whole earth be filled *with* his glory; Amen, and Amen.

20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

PSALM LXXIII. A Psalm [‖] of Asaph.

TRULY [a] God *is* good to Israel, *even* to such as are [†] of a clean heart.

2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.

3 For [b] I was envious at the foolish, *when* I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

4 For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* [‡] firm.

5 They *are* not [§] in trouble *as other* men; neither are they plagued [‖] like *other* men.

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them *as* a garment.

7 Their [m] eyes stand out with fatness: they [‡] have more than heart could wish.

8 They are corrupt, and [n] speak wickedly *concerning* oppression: they [o] speak loftily.

9 They set their mouth [r] against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.

10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them.

11 And they say, [s] How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?

12 Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches.

13 Verily [t] I have cleansed my heart *in* vain, and washed my hands in innocency.

14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and [a] chastened every morning.

15 If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children.

16 When [c] I thought to know this, it *was* too painful for me;

17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; *then* understood I their end.

18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.

19 How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

20 As [d] a dream when *one* awaketh; *so*, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.

22 So [e] foolish *was* I, and [‖] ignorant: I was *as a* beast [a] before thee.

23 Nevertheless I *am* continually with thee: thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.

24 Thou [m] shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me *to* glory.

25 Whom [n] have I in heaven *but thee?* and *there is* none upon earth *that* I desire beside thee.

26 My flesh and my heart faileth: *but* God *is* the [‡] strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.

[a] Ps. 10. 22.
[a] *be.*
[†] *be as a son to continue his father's name for ever.*
[b] Ge. 12. 3.
[‡] or, A Psalm *for Asaph, to give instruction.*
[c] Lu. 1. 68.
[d] Je. 31. 37.
[e] 1 Ch. 29. 10.
[f] De. 29. 20.
[g] Ex. 15. 16. De. 2. 29.
[h] Nu. 14. 21. Zec. 14. 9.
[§] or, *tribe.*
[‖] or, *for.*
[a] Ps. 50. title.
[a] or, *Yet.*
[†] *clean of heart.*
[c] Da. 6. 27.
[d] Job 21. 7.
[‡] *fat.*
[§] *in the trouble of other men.*
[‖] *with.*
[e] 2 Ki. 25. 9.
[a] *sent thy sanctuary into the fire.*
[†] *break.*
[m] Je. 5. 28.
[‡] *pass the thoughts of the heart.*
[n] He. 7. 16.
[o] 1 Sa. 3. 1. Am. 8. 11.
[r] 2 Pe. 2. 18. Jude 16.
[s] Ex. 13. 6.
[t] La. 1. 3.
[a] Job 22. 13.
[b] Ps. 44. 4.
[c] Ex. 14. 21.
[§] *break.*
[d] Mal. 3. 14.
[‖] Is. 51. 9, 10.
[‖] or, *wheales.*
[a] *my chastisement was.*
[a] Nu. 14. 9.
[a] Is. 26. 21.
[b] Jos. 3 13, &c
[†] *rivers of strength.*
[c] Ec. 8. 17.
[‡] *labour in mine eyes.*
[d] Ge. 1. 14, &c.
[e] Ac. 17. 28.
[f] Ge. 8. 22.
[§] *made them.*
[g] Re. 16. 19.
[h] Ca. 2. 14.
[i] Job 20. 8. Is. 29. 7, 8. Lu. 25. 14, 15. Jo. 33. 21.
[i] Ps. 92. 6. Pr. 30. 2.
[‖] *I knew not.*
[a] *with thee.*
[m] Is. 58. 8.
[n] Phi. 3. 8.
[†] *ascendeth,* Jon. 1. 2.
[‡] *rock.*
[§] or, *Destroy not.* Ps. 57. title.
[‖] or, *for.*

28 But *it is* good for me to [a] draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.

PSALM LXXIV. [‡] Maschil of Asaph.

O GOD, why hast thou [d] cast *us* off for ever? *why* doth thine anger [f] smoke against the sheep of thy pasture?

2 Remember thy congregation, [§] *which* thou hast purchased of old; the [§] rod of thine inheritance, *which* thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt.

3 Lift up thy feet unto the perpetual desolations; *even* all *that* the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary.

4 Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; [f] they set up their ensigns *for* signs.

5 *A man* was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the thick trees.

6 But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers.

7 They [‖] have [a] cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled *by casting down* the dwelling place of thy name to the ground.

8 They said in their hearts, Let us [†] destroy them together: they have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land.

9 We see not our signs: [o] *there is* no more any prophet: neither is *there* among us any that knoweth how long.

10 O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever?

11 Why [s] withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? pluck *it* out of thy bosom.

12 For [m] God *is* my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth.

13 Thou [n] didst [§] divide the sea by thy strength: [g] thou brakest the heads of the [‖] dragons in the waters.

14 Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, *and* gavest him [r] *to be* meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.

15 Thou [s] didst cleave the fountain and the flood: [t] thou driedst up [†] mighty rivers.

16 The day *is* thine, the night also *is* thine: [d] thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

17 Thou hast [a] set all the borders of the earth: [f] thou hast [§] made summer and winter.

18 Remember [f] this, *that* the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and *that* the foolish people have blasphemed thy name.

19 O deliver not the soul of [h] thy turtledove unto the multitude *of the wicked:* forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever.

20 Have [b] respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.

21 O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy praise thy name.

22 Arise, O God, plead thine own cause. remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee daily.

23 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise up against thee [†] increaseth continually.

PSALM LXXV.

To the chief Musician, § Al-taschith, A Psalm or Song ‖ of Asaph.

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks, *unto thee* do we give thanks: for *that* thy

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name is near thy wondrous works declare.
2 When I shall [o] receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.
3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it. Selah.
4 I said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked, [p] Lift not up the horn:
5 Lift not up your horn on high: speak *not with* a stiff neck.
6 For promotion *cometh* neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the [q] south.
7 But God *is* the judge: [r] he putteth down one, and setteth up another.
8 For [s] in the hand of the LORD *there is* a cup, and the wine is red; it is [t] full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring *them* out, *and* drink *them*.
9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.
10 All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; *but* the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

PSALM LXXVI.

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm or Song [||] of Asaph.

IN [a] Judah *is* God known: his name *is* great in Israel.
2 In Salem also is his tabernacle, and his dwelling place in Zion.
3 There [b] brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword, and the battle. Selah.
4 Thou *art* more glorious *and* excellent [c] than the mountains of prey.
5 The [d] stouthearted are spoiled, [e] they have slept their sleep: and none of the men of might have found their hands.
6 At [f] thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleep.
7 Thou, *even* thou, *art* to be feared: and [g] who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry?
8 Thou [h] didst cause judgment to be heard from heaven; [i] the earth feared, and was still,
9 When God arose to judgment, to save all the meek of the earth. Selah.
10 Surely [k] the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.
11 Vow, [l] and pay unto the LORD your God: [m] let all that be round about him bring presents [†] unto him that ought to be feared.
12 He shall cut off the spirit of princes: *he is* [n] terrible to the kings of the earth.

PSALM LXXVII.

To the chief Musician, [a] to Jeduthun, A Psalm [‡] of Asaph.

I CRIED unto God with my voice, *even* unto God with my voice; and he gave ear unto me.
2 In the day of my trouble I [o] sought the Lord: my [p] sore ran in the night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.
3 I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed. Selah.
4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speak.
5 I [q] have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.
6 I call to remembrance [r] my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.

[*] or, *take a set time.*
[a] Ro. 9. 6.
[†] *to generation and generation.*
[b] Is. 49. 15.
[c] Zec. 1. 21.
[‡] *desert.*
[d] 1 Sa. 2. 7. Da. 2. 21.
[e] Job 21. 20. Je. 25. 15. Re. 14. 10. 16. 19.
[f] Pr. 23. 30.
[g] Ex. 15. 11.
[h] Ex. 6. 6. De. 9. 29.
[i] Ex. 14. 21. Jos. 3. 15, 16. Hab. 3. 8, &c
[§] *were poured forth with water.*
[||] or, *for.*
[k] Ps. 68. 1, &c.
[l] Eze. 39. 9.
[m] Hab. 3. 15.
[n] Ex. 14. 28.
[o] Is. 63. 11, 12. Ho. 12. 13.
[p] Eze. 38. 12, 13. 39. 4.
[q] Is. 46. 12.
[r] Je. 51. 39.
[s] or, A Psalm *for Asaph to give instruction.* Ps. 74, title. Ex. 15. 1, 21. Nu. 2. 13. Zec. 12. 4.
[t] Is. 51. 4.
[u] Ps. 49. 4. Mat. 13. 35.
[v] Nu. 1. 6.
[w] Eze. 36. 30.
[x] De. 4. 9. 6. 7. Joel 1. 3.
[y] 2 Ch. 20. 29, 30
[z] Jos. 4. 6, 7.
[a] Ex. 9. 16. 18. 11.
[b] De. 4. 9. 11. 19.
[c] Ex. 5. 4, 6.
[d] 2 Ch. 32. 22, 23.
[†] *to fear.*
[e] Ps. 68. 35. Re. 6. 15. 19. 17, 19
[f] Ps. 59, 62. title.
[g] 2 Ki. 17. 14. Eze. 20. 18.
[h] De. 9. 6, 13. 31. 27.
[‡] or, *for.*
[i] 2 Ch. 20. 33.
[§] *prepared not.*
[k] Is. 26. 9, 16.
[||] *throwing forth.*
[l] *hand.*
[m] 2 Ki. 17. 15.
[n] Ex. VII. XII.
[o] De. 32. 7. Is. 51. 9.
[p] Nu. 13. 22. Is. 19. 11, 13.
[q] Ex. 14. 21.
[r] Ps. 42. 8.
[s] Ex. 13. 21.

7 Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no more?
8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth [a] *his* promise fail [†] for evermore?
9 Hath God [b] forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.
10 And I said, This *is* my infirmity: *but I will remember* the years of the right hand of the most High.
11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.
12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.
13 Thy way, O God, *is* in the sanctuary: [c] who *is so* great a God as *our* God!
14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.
15 Thou [d] hast with *thine* arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.
16 The [e] waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.
17 The clouds [§] poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.
18 The voice of thy thunder *was* in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.
19 Thy [m] way *is* in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, [n] and thy footsteps are not known.
20 Thou [o] leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

PSALM LXXVIII.

[*] Maschil of Asaph.

GIVE [a] ear, O my people, *to* my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2 I [b] will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.
4 We [c] will not hide *them* from their children, [d] shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.
5 For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, [e] that they should make them known to their children:
6 That the generation to come might know *them*, *even* the children *which* should be born; *who* should arise and declare *them* to their children:
7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:
8 And [f] might not be as their fathers, [g] a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation [†] *that* [§] set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.
9 The children of Ephraim, *being* armed, *and* [‡] carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.
10 They [h] kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;
11 And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.
12 Marvellous [i] things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, [k] in the field of Zoan.
13 He [l] divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made the waters to stand as an heap.
14 In [m] the daytime also he led them

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with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.

15 He [a] clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave *them* drink as *out of* the great depths.

16 He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.

17 And they sinned yet more against him by [f] provoking the most High in the wilderness.

18 And [h] they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their lust.

19 Yea, [i] they spake against God; they said, Can God [k] furnish a table in the wilderness?

20 Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed; can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people?

21 Therefore the LORD heard *this*, and was [l] wroth: so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel;

22 Because they [m] believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:

23 Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven,

24 And [n] had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven.

25 § Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.

26 He [p] caused an east wind [‖] to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south wind.

27 He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and [o] feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea:

28 And he let *it* fall in the midst of their camp, round about their habitations.

29 So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their own desire;

30 They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat *was* yet in their mouths,

31 The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them, and [†] smote down the [‡] chosen *men* of Israel.

32 For all this [v] they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works.

33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble.

34 When [y] he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and enquired early after God.

35 And they remembered that God *was* their rock, and the high God their redeemer.

36 Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues.

37 For their heart was not right with him, neither were they [stedfast] in his covenant.

38 But he, *being* full of compassion, forgave *their* iniquity, and destroyed *them* not: yea, many a time [turned] he his anger away, [e] and did not stir up all his wrath.

39 For he remembered [f] that they *were but* flesh; [g] a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.

40 How oft did they [provoke] him in the wilderness, *and* grieve him in the desert!

41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

42 They remembered not his hand, *nor* the day when he delivered them from [i] the enemy.

43 How [m] he had § wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zoan:

44 And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink.

45 He [b] sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and [c] frogs, which destroyed them.

46 He [d] gave also their increase unto the caterpiller, and their labour unto the locust.

47 He [e] destroyed [r] their vines with hail, and their sycomore trees with [†] frost.

48 He [f] gave [g] up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to [§] hot thunderbolts.

49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels *among them*.

50 He [h] made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave their [†] life over to the pestilence;

51 And [i] smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of *their* strength in the tabernacles of Ham:

52 But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.

53 And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea [l] overwhelmed their enemies.

54 And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, *even to* this mountain, *which* his right hand had purchased.

55 He cast out the heathen also before them, and [o] divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.

56 Yet [r] they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies:

57 But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow.

58 For they provoked him to anger with their [s] high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images.

59 When God heard *this*, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

60 So [t] that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent *which* he placed among men;

61 And [u] delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand.

62 He [x] gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with his inheritance.

63 The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not [§] given to marriage.

64 Their [z] priests fell by the sword; and [a] their widows made no lamentation.

65 Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, *and* [b] like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine.

66 And [c] he smote his enemies in the hinder part: he put them to a perpetual reproach.

67 Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim:

68 But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.

69 And he [d] built his sanctuary like high *palaces*, like the earth which he hath [e] established for ever.

70 He [f] chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds:

71 From [†] following [i] the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.

72 So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

[a] Ex. 17. 6. Nu. 20. 11. 1 Co. 10. 4.
[b] Ex. 8. 24.
[c] Ex. 8. 6.
[d] Ex. 10. 12, 15.
[e] *killed.*
[f] Ps. 106. 33.
[f] De. 9. 22. He. 3. 16.
† or, *great hailstones.*
‡ *shut up.*
[g] Ex. 9. 23...25
[h] Ex. 16. 2.
§ or, *lightnings.*
[i] Nu. 11. 4.
‖ *order.*
[k] *weighed a path.*
† or, *beasts to the murrain,* Ex. 9. 3, 6.
[l] Ex. 12. 29.
[m] Nu. 11. 1, 10.
[m] Jude 5.
[n] *covered.*
[n] Jno. 6. 31. 1 Co. 10. 3.
[o] Jos. 13. 7. 19. 51.
§ or, *Every one did eat the bread of the mighty,* Ps. 103. 20.
[p] Nu. 11. 31.
‖ *to go.*
[p] Ju. 2. 11, 12.
[o] *fowl of wing.*
[o] De. 12. 2, 4. 1 Ki. 11. 7. 12. 31.
[r] 1 Sa. 4. 11. Je. 7. 12, 14. 26. 6, 9.
† *made to bow.*
[u] Ju. 18. 30.
‡ or, *young.*
[v] Nu. XIV. XVI. XVII.
[x] 1 Sa. 4. 10.
[y] Ho. 5. 15.
§ *praised.*
[z] 1 Sa. 4. 11. 22. 18.
[a] Job 27. 15. Eze. 24. 23.
[b] Is. 42. 13.
[c] 1 Sa. 5. 6, 12. 6. 4.
[d] Is. 49. 9.
[e] 2 Ki. 21. 22.
[f] Ge. 6. 3. Jno. 3. 6.
[g] Job 7. 7, 16. Ja. 4. 14.
[h] 1 Ki. VI.
‖ or, *rebel against.*
[i] Ep. 4. 30. He. 3. 16, 17.
[e] *founded.*
[k] 1 Sa. 16. 11, 12. 2 Sa. 7. 8.
† *after.*
[l] Ge. 33. 13. Is. 40. 11.
‡ or, *affliction*
[m] Ps. 105. 27.
§ *set.*

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PSALM LXXIX.

A Psalm [o] of Asaph.

O GOD, the heathen are come into [b] thine inheritance; thy holy temple have they defiled; [c] they have laid Jerusalem on heaps.

2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given *to be* meat unto the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth.

3 Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; and *there was* none to bury *them*.

4 We are become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us.

5 How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy [d] jealousy burn like fire?

6 Pour [e] out thy wrath upon the heathen that have [f] not known thee, and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling place.

8 O [g] remember not against us [†] former iniquities: let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us: for we are brought very low.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, [m] for thy name's sake.

10 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* their God? let him be known among the heathen in our sight *by the* [§] revenging of the blood of thy servants *which is* shed.

11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of [‖] thy power [o] preserve thou those that are appointed to die;

12 And render unto our neighbours [•] sevenfold into their bosom their reproach, wherewith they have reproached thee, O Lord.

13 So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we [p] will shew forth thy praise to [§] all generations.

PSALM LXXX.

To the chief Musician [q] upon Shoshannim-Eduth, A Psalm [o] of Asaph.

GIVE ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest *between* the cherubims, [r] shine forth.

2 Before [s] Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and come [t] *and* save us.

3 Turn [u] us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

4 O LORD God of hosts, how long wilt thou [§] be angry against the prayer of thy people?

5 Thou [v] feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great measure.

6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themselves.

7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

8 Thou hast brought [A] a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

9 Thou [i] preparedst *room* before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof *were like* the [‡] goodly cedars.

11 She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river.

[m] Nu. 2. 2.
[o] or, *for*.
[b] Ezr. 15. 17.
[c] 2 Ch. 36. 19. Mi. 3. 12.
[d] Is. 63. 15.
[e] Is. 49. 5.
[f] Ps. 89. 21.
[g] Lep. 1. 18. 3. 8.
[h] Je. 10. 25. Re. 16. 1.
[i] Is. 45. 4, 5. 2 Th. 1. 8.
[k] Is. 64. 9.
[†] or, *the iniquities of them that were before us.*
[l] Ps. 6, title.
[‡] or, *for*.
[m] Je. 14. 7, 21.
[§] *vengeance.*
[n] Le. 33. 24.
[‖] *thine arm.*
[o] *reserve the children of death.*
[†] or, *against.*
[•] Is. 65. 6, 7. Je. 32. 18. Lu. 6. 38.
[p] Is. 9. 4. 10. 27.
[‡] *passed away.*
[r] Ex. 2. 22. 14. 10.
[s] Is. 43. 21.
[§] *generation and generation.*
[t] Ex. 17. 6, 7. Nu. 20. 13.
[‖] or, *strife.*
[u] Ps. 45, 69, title.
[•] or, *for.*
[v] De. 32. 12. Is. 43. 12.
[w] De. 33. 2.
[x] Nu. 2. 18. 23.
[a] Jno. 15. 7. Ep. 3. 20.
[†] *for salvation to us.*
[a] Ex. 32. 1.
[b] La. 5. 21.
[c] Ac. 7. 42. 14. 16. Ro. 1. 24, 26.
[‡] or, *to the hardness of their hearts* or. *imaginations.*
[§] *smoke.* Ps. 74. 1.
[d] Is. 48. 18.
[e] Is. 30. 10.
[f] Ro. 1. 30.
[‖] *lied*, or, *yielded feigned obedience.* Ps. 18. 44. 66. 3.
[g] De. 32. 13, 14.
[A] Is. 5. 1, 7. Je. 2. 21. Eze. 15. 6. 19. 10.
[•] *fat of wheat*
[†] or, *for.*
[h] Jos. 24. 12.
[‡] *cedars of God.*
[i] De. 1. 17.
[§] *Judge.*

12 Why hast thou *then* [a] broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do pluck her?

13 The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it.

14 Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts: [b] look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine;

15 And the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch *that* thou madest strong [c] for thyself.

16 *It is* burned with fire, *it is* cut down: they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

17 Let [f] thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man *whom* thou madest strong *for* thyself.

18 So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.

19 Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

PSALM LXXXI.

To the chief Musician [i] upon Gittith, *A Psalm* [‡] of Asaph.

SING aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

4 For [k] this *was a* statute for Israel, *and* a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph *for* a testimony, when he went out [†] through the land of Egypt: *where* I heard a language *that* I understood not.

6 I [l] removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands [‡] were delivered from the pots.

7 Thou [m] calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I [n] proved thee at the waters of [§] Meribah. Selah.

8 Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me;

9 There shall no [o] strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.

10 I [p] *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: [q] open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11 But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would [r] none of me.

12 So [s] I gave them up [‡] unto their own hearts' lust: *and* they walked in their own counsels.

13 Oh [t] that my people had hearkened unto me, *and* Israel had walked in my ways!

14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries.

15 The [f] haters of the LORD should have [‖] submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.

16 He should [u] have fed them also with the [•] finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the rock should I have satisfied thee.

PSALM LXXXII.

A Psalm [†] of Asaph.

GOD [k] standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods.

2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and [l] accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.

3 [§] Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.

[a] Na. 2. 2.
[b] or, *for.*
[c] Ps. 80. 15, 17.
[d] 2 Ch. 36. 19. Mi. 3. 12.
[e] Is. 63. 15.
[f] Is. 49. 5.
[g] Ps. 89. 21.
[h] Lep. 1. 18. 3. 8.
[i] Je. 10. 25. Re. 16. 1.
[k] Is. 45. 4, 5. 2 Th. 1. 8.
[l] Is. 64. 9.
[†] or, *the iniquities of them that were before us.*
[m] Ps. 6, title.
[‡] or, *for.*
[n] Je. 14. 7, 21.
[§] *vengeance.*
[o] Le. 33. 24.
[‖] *thine arm.*
[•] *reserve the children of death.*
[†] or, *against.*
[p] Is. 65. 6, 7. Je. 32. 18. Lu. 6. 38.
[q] Is. 9. 4. 10. 27.
[‡] *passed away.*
[r] Ex. 2. 22. 14. 10.
[s] Is. 43. 21.
[§] *generation and generation.*
[t] Ex. 17. 6, 7. Nu. 20. 13.
[‖] or, *strife.*
[u] Ps. 45, 69, title.
[•] or, *for.*
[v] De. 32. 12. Is. 43. 12.
[w] De. 33. 2.
[x] Nu. 2. 18. 23.
[a] Jno. 15. 7. Ep. 3. 20.
[†] *for salvation to us.*
[a] Ex. 32. 1.
[b] La. 5. 21.
[c] Ac. 7. 42. 14. 16. Ro. 1. 24, 26.
[‡] or, *to the hardness of their hearts* or. *imaginations.*
[§] *smoke.* Ps. 74. 1.
[d] Is. 48. 18.
[e] Is. 30. 10.
[f] Ro. 1. 30.
[‖] *lied*, or, *yielded feigned obedience.* Ps. 18. 44. 66. 3.
[g] De. 32. 13, 14.
[A] Is. 5. 1, 7. Je. 2. 21. Eze. 15. 6. 19. 10.
[•] *fat of wheat*
[†] or, *for.*
[h] Jos. 24. 12.
[‡] *cedars of God.*
[i] De. 1. 17.
[§] *Judge.*

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4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid *them* out of the hand of the wicked.

5 They [e] know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are [†] out of course.

6 I [e] have said, Ye *are* gods; and all of you *are* children of the most High.

7 But *ye* shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

8 Arise, O God, judge the earth: [g] for thou shalt inherit all nations.

PSALM LXXXIII.

A Song *or* Psalm § of Asaph.

KEEP not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.

2 For, lo, [‡]thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head.

3 They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.

4 They have said, Come, and [m] let us cut them off from *being* a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.

5 For they have consulted together with one [†] consent: they are confederate against thee:

6 The [o] tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes;

7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre;

8 Assur also is joined with them: they have § holpen the children of Lot. Selah.

9 Do unto them as *unto* the [p] Midianites; as *to* [r] Sisera, as *to* Jabin, at the brook of Kison:

10 *Which* perished at En-dor: [s] they became *as* dung for the earth.

11 Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna:

12 Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in possession.

13 O [t] my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind.

14 As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame [u] setteth the mountains on fire;

15 So persecute them [d] with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.

16 Fill their faces with [x] shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD.

17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish:

18 That *men* may know that thou, whose name [f] alone *is* JEHOVAH, *art* the most high over all the earth.

PSALM LXXXIV.

To the chief Musician upon [g] Gittith, A Psalm † for the sons of Korah.

HOW [i] amiable *are* thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

2 My [k] soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, *even* thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

4 Blessed *are* they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

5 Blessed *is* the man whose strength *is* in thee; in whose heart *are* the ways *of them*.

6 *Who* passing through the valley § of [*] Baca make it a well; the rain also [‖] filleth the pools.

[a] Pr. 4. 18. 2 Co. 3. 18.
[b] or, *company to company.* De. 16. 16. Zec. 14. 16.
[c] Mi. 3. 1.
[†] *moved.*
[d] Ge. 15. 1.
[e] Ex. 22. 9, 28. Jno. 10. 34.
[f] Job 21. 22. Eze. 31. 14.
[‡] *I would choose rather to sit at the threshold.*
[g] Re. 11. 15.
[h] Is. 60. 19.
[i] Ps. 119. 114. Ge. 15. 1. Pr. 2. 7.
[§] or, *for.*
[k] Ac. 4. 25
[‖] or, *of.* Ps. 43. title.
[*] or, *well pleased.*
[l] Jo. 31. 23. Joel 3. 1.
[m] Es. 3. 6, 9. Je. 11. 19. 31. 36.
[n] Ps. 32. 1.
[†] *heart.*
[‡] or, *thine anger from weaning hot* De. 13. 17.
[o] 2 Ch. 20. 1, 10, 11.
[§] *been an arm to the.*
[p] Nu. 31. 7. Ju. 7. 22.
[r] Ju. 4. 15, 24.
[s] 2 Ki. 9. 37. Zep. 1. 17. Hab. 2. 1.
[t] Zec. 9. 10.
[u] 2 Pe. 2. 20, 21
[x] Is. 45. 16.
[d] Job 9. 17.
[f] Ex. 6. 3.
[‖] or, *A Prayer, being a Psalm of David.*
[g] Ps. 8. title.
[i] or, *one whom thou favourest.*
[†] or, *of.*
[k] Is. 26. 3.
[i] Ps. 27. 4.
[k] Ps. 119. 20.
[‡] or, *all the day.*
[l] Joel 2. 13.
[m] Ps. 50. 15.
[§] or, *of mulberry trees make him a well, &c.*
[*] De. 3. 24.
[a] 2 Sa. 5. 22, 23
[‖] *covereth.*
[p] Is. 43. 7. Re. 15. 4.

7 They go [o] from [p] strength to strength, *every one of them* in Zion [h] appeareth before God.

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.

9 Behold, [d] O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

10 For a day in thy courts *is* better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD God *is* [k] a sun and [l] shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good *thing* will be withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of hosts, blessed *is* the man that trusteth in thee.

PSALM LXXXV.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm ‖ for the sons of Korah.

LORD, thou hast been [*] favourable unto thy land: thou hast [i] brought back the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou [n] hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned [†] *thyself* from the fierceness of thine anger.

4 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.

5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?

6 Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

7 Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

8 I [r] will hear what God the LORD will speak: for [m] he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not [‡] turn again to folly.

9 Surely [n] his salvation *is* nigh them that fear him; [s] that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together; [o] righteousness and peace have kissed *each other*.

11 Truth [p] shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 Yea, [r] the LORD shall give *that which is* good; and our land shall yield her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set *us* in the way of his steps.

PSALM LXXXVI.

‖ A Prayer of David.

BOW down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I *am* poor and needy.

2 Preserve my soul; for I *am* [*] holy: O thou my God, save thy servant [k] that trusteth in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee [‡] daily.

4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For [i] thou, Lord, *art* good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.

7 In [m] the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me.

8 Among the gods *there is* none like unto thee, O Lord; [n] neither *are there any works* like unto thy works.

9 All [p] nations whom thou hast made

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shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

10 For thou *art* great, and doest wondrous things: [b] thou *art* God alone.

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart *to* fear thy name.

12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.

13 For great *is* thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest [c] hell.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of [†] violent *men* have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.

15 But [d] thou, O Lord, *art* a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

16 O turn unto me, and have mercy upon *me*; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.

17 Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see *it*, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

PSALM LXXXVII.

A Psalm *or* Song [e] for the sons of Korah.

HIS foundation *is* [f] in the holy mountains.

2 The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

3 Glorious [e] things are spoken of thee, O city of God. Selah.

4 I will make mention of [g] Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; *this man* was born there.

5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her.

6 The LORD shall count, when he [h] writeth up the people, *that* this *man* was born there. Selah.

7 As well the singers as the players on instruments *shall be there:* all my springs *are* in thee.

PSALM LXXXVIII.

A Song *or* Psalm [†] for the sons of Korah, to the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leannoth, [§] Maschil of [=] Heman the Ezrahite.

O LORD God of my salvation, I have [i] cried day *and* night before thee:

2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;

3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.

4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man *that hath* no strength:

5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more: and they are cut [k] off [‡] from thy hand.

6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted *me* with all thy waves. Selah.

8 Thou [l] hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: [*] *I am* shut up, and I cannot come forth.

9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called daily upon thee, [m] I have stretched out my hands unto thee.

10 Wilt [n] thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise *and* praise thee? Selah.

11 Shall thy lovingkindness be declared in the grave? *or* thy faithfulness in destruction?

12 Shall [o] thy wonders be known in the dark? [p] and thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?

13 But unto thee have I cried, O LORD; and [q] in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee.

14 LORD, why castest thou off my soul? *why* [r] hidest thou thy face from me?

15 I *am* afflicted and ready to die from *my* youth up: *while I* [s] suffer thy terrors I am distracted.

16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.

17 They came round about me [‡] daily like water; they compassed me about together.

18 Lover [t] and friend hast thou put far from me, *and* mine acquaintance into darkness.

PSALM LXXXIX.

[§] Maschil of [i] Ethan the Ezrahite.

I WILL sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

3 I [k] have made a covenant with my chosen, I have [=] sworn unto David my servant,

4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne [=] to all generations. Selah.

5 And [l] the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

6 For [e] who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? *who* among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?

7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all *them that are* about him.

8 O LORD God of hosts, who *is* a strong LORD [=] like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?

9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.

10 Thou [g] hast broken [‡] Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies with [†] thy strong arm.

11 The [u] heavens *are* thine, the earth also *is* thine: *as for* the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.

12 The north and the south thou hast created them: [v] Tabor and [k] Hermon shall rejoice in thy name.

13 Thou hast [w] a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, *and* high is thy right hand.

14 Justice and judgment *are* the [x] habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

15 Blessed *is* the people that know the joyful [y] sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

16 In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

17 For thou *art* the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted.

18 For [§] the LORD *is* our defence; and the Holy One of Israel *is* our king.

19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon *one that is* mighty; I have exalted *one* [i] chosen out of the people.

[a] Job 10. 21.
[b] Mar. 12. 29. 1 Co. 8. 4. Ep. 4. 6. Re. 8. 10. 9. 5.
[c] Ps. 5. 3. 119. 147.
[d] Job 13. 24.
[e] Job 6. 4.
[f] or, *grave.*
[g] *terrible.*
[h] or, *all the day.*
[i] Ex. 34. 6. Nu. 14. 18. Ne. 9. 17.
[k] Job 19. 13.
[l] or, A Psalm *for Ethan the Ezrahite, to give instruction.*
[m] 1 Ki. 4. 31. || *generation and generation.*
[n] Ps. 119. 90.
[o] or, *of.*
[p] 1 Ki. 8. 16. Is. 42. 1.
[q] Ps. 48. 1.
[r] 2 Sa. 7. 11, &c. Je. 30. 9. Eze. 34. 23. Ho. 3. 5.
[s] Lu. 1. 32, 33.
[t] Is. LX.
[u] Ps. 7. 10. 12.
[v] Is. 51. 9.
[w] Ps. 40. 5. 71. 19. 86. 8. 113. 5.
[x] Eze. 13. 9.
[y] Ex. 15. 11. 1 Sa. 2. 2.
[z] or, *of.*
[a] Ex. 14. 26. 28. Is. 30. 7. 51. 9.
[b] or, *Egypt.*
[c] or, A Psalm *of Heman the Ezrahite, giving instruction.*
[d] 1 Ch. 2. 6. || *the arm of thy strength*
[e] Lu. 18. 7.
[f] Ge. 1. 1. 1 Ch. 29. 11.
[g] Jos. 19. 22.
[h] Jos. 12. 1.
[i] *an arm with might*
[k] or, *establishment.*
[l] Is. 53. 8.
[m] or, *by.*
[n] Nu. 10. 10. 28. 21.
[o] Job 19. 13, 19
[p] La. 3. 7.
[q] or, *our shield* is *of the LORD, and our king* is *of the Holy One of Israel.* Ps. 47. 9.
[r] Job 11. 13.
[s] Is. 38. 18.
[t] 1 Ki. 11. 34.

20 I [a] have found David my servant: with my holy oil have I anointed him:
21 With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.
22 The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.
23 And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.
24 But my faithfulness and my mercy *shall be* with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.
25 I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.
26 He shall cry unto me, Thou *art* [b] my father, my God, and [c] the rock of my salvation.
27 Also I will make him [d] *my* firstborn, [e] higher than the kings of the earth.
28 My [f] mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
29 His seed also will I make *to endure* for ever, [g] and his throne [h] as the days of heaven.
30 If his children [i] forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;
31 If they [k] break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;
32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.
33 Nevertheless [l] my lovingkindness [§] will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness [‖] to fail.
34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
35 Once have I sworn [m] by my holiness [•] that I will not lie unto David.
36 His [n] seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.
37 It shall be established for ever as the moon, and *as* a faithful witness in heaven. Selah.
38 But thou hast [p] cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed.
39 Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: [q] thou hast profaned his crown *by casting it* to the ground.
40 Thou hast broken down all his hedges; thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin.
41 All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours.
42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.
43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.
44 Thou hast made his [§] glory to cease, and cast his throne down to the ground.
45 The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.
46 How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?
47 Remember [t] how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain?
48 What [u] man *is he that* liveth, and shall not [v] see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.
49 Lord, where *are* thy former lovingkindnesses, *which* thou [w] swarest unto David [x] in thy truth?
50 Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; [y] *how* I do bear in my bosom *the reproach of* all the mighty people;
51 Wherewith [z] thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.

[a] 1Sa.16.1,12.
[•] or, being a Psalm *of Moses.*
[b] Dc. 33. 1.
[c] De. 33. 27. Exo. 11. 16.
[†] *generation and generation.*
[d] Pr. 8.22,25.
[e] Ge. 3. 19. Ec. 12. 7.
[f] 2 Pe. 3. 8.
[g] 1 Ch. 22. 10.
[h] 2 Sa. 22. 47.
[‡] or, *he hath passed* them.
[i] Ps. 2. 7. Col.1.15,18.
[k] Nu. 24. 7.
[l] Is. 55. 3.
[m] Ps. 103. 15. Is. 40. 6.
[§] or, *to* changed.
[n] Ps. 92. 7. Job 11. 2.
[o] Is. 9. 7.
[p] De. 33. 17.
[q] De. 11. 21.
[r] Ps. 119. 53. Je. 9. 13.
[s] Ps. 50. 21. Je. 16. 17.
[‖] *profane.*
[•] *turned.*
[†] or, *meditation.*
[t] 2 Sa. 7. 13.
[‡] As for *the days of our years, in them are* scarcely *years.*
[§] *I will not make void from him.*
[‖] *to lie.*
[u] Am. 4. 2.
[•] *if I lie.*
[v] Lu. 1. 33. Jno. 12. 34.
[†] *cause to come.*
[w] De. 32. 36. Ps. 135. 14.
[x] De. 33. 19. 1 Ch. 28. 9.
[y] Ps. 89. 4. 132. 2.
[z] La. 5. 16.
[a] Hab. 2. 2.
[b] Ps. 27. 4.
[c] Is. 28. 12.
[d] Ps. 31. 20. 32. 7.
[‡] *lodge.*
[e] Ps. 17. 8.
[§] *brightness.*
[f] Ps. 142. 5.
[g] Ps. 124. 7.
[h] Job 14. 1.
[i] Ps. 57. 1. 61. 4.
[k] Ps. 49. 9.
[l] Ho. 11. 5.
[m] Job.5.19,&c. Pr. 3.23,24. Is 43. 2.
[n] 2 Sa. 7. 15. Is. 55. 3.
[o] Ps. 54. 5.
[p] Ps. 89. 9,19.
[q] Ps. 71. 22.
[r] Mal. 1. 5.

52 Blessed *be* the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

PSALM XC.

A Prayer [•] of [b] Moses the man of God.

LORD, [c] thou hast been our dwelling place in [†] all generations.
2 Before [d] the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.
3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, [e] Return, ye children of men.
4 For [f] a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when [‡] it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.
5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are *as* a sleep: in the morning *they* [g] are like grass *which* [§] groweth up.
6 In [h] the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.
7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.
8 Thou [i] hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret *sins* in the light of thy countenance.
9 For all our days are [k] passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a [†] tale *that is told.*
10 [‡] The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; *for* it is soon cut off, and we fly away.
11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, *so is* thy wrath.
12 So teach *us* to number our days, that we may [l] apply *our* hearts unto wisdom.
13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it [m] repent thee concerning thy servants.
14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; [n] that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
15 Make us glad according to the days *wherein* thou hast afflicted us, *and* the years *wherein* we have seen evil.
16 Let [o] thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.
17 And [p] let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and [q] establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

PSALM XCI.

HE [r] that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high shall [‡] abide [s] under the shadow of the Almighty.
2 I [t] will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
3 Surely [u] he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, *and* from the noisome pestilence.
4 He [v] shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler.
5 Thou [w] shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day;
6 *Nor* for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction *that* wasteth at noonday.
7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: *but* it shall not come nigh thee.
8 Only [x] with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
9 Because thou hast made the LORD

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which is my refuge, *even* the most high, thy habitation;

10 There [b] shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For [d] he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee up in *their* hands, [f] lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and [‡] adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

15 He [h] shall call upon me, and I will answer him: [i] I *will be* with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and [k] honour him.

16 With [§] long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

PSALM XCII.

A Psalm *or* Song for the sabbath day.

IT is a [m] good *thing* to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most high:

2 To [e] shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness [‖] every night,

3 Upon [o] an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; [o] upon the harp with [†] a solemn sound.

4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

5 O LORD, how great are thy works! *and* [n] thy thoughts are very deep.

6 A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.

7 When [p] the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; *it is* that they shall be destroyed for ever:

8 But thou, LORD, *art most* high for evermore.

9 For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

10 But my horn shalt thou exalt like *the horn of* an unicorn: I shall be [q] anointed with fresh oil.

11 Mine eye also shall see *my desire* on mine enemies, *and* mine ears shall hear *my desire* of the wicked that rise up against me.

12 The [r] righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and [‖] flourishing;

15 To shew that the LORD is upright: *he is* my [f] rock, and [t] *there is* no unrighteousness in him.

PSALM XCIII.

THE [i] LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, *wherewith* he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.

2 Thy [i] throne *is* established † of old: thou *art* from everlasting.

3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

4 The LORD on high *is* mightier than the noise of many waters, *yea, than* the mighty waves of the sea.

5 Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, [*] for ever.

[*] *God of revenges.*
[a] De. 32. 35. Na. 1. 2.
[b] Pr. 12. 21.
† *shine forth.*
Ps. 80. 1.
[c] Ge. 18. 25.
[d] Lu. 4. 10, 11. He. 1. 14.
[e] Job 20. 5.
[f] Ps. 37. 24. Job 5. 23.
[g] Jude 15.
‡ or, *asp.*
[h] Ps. 50. 15.
[i] Is. 43. 2.
[k] 1 Sa. 2. 30.
§ *length of days.*
Pr. 3. 2.
[l] Ex. 4. 11. Pr. 20. 12.
[m] Ps. 147. 1.
[n] Job 35. 11. Is. 28. 29.
[o] Ps. 89. 1.
[p] 1 Co. 3. 20.
‖ *in the nights.*
[r] Job 5. 17. Pr. 3. 11. 1 Co. 11. 32. He. 12. 5, &c
[s] 2 Ch. 33. 5.
[*] or, *upon the solemn sound with the harp.*
† *Higgaion.* Ps. 9. 16.
[t] 1 Sa. 12. 22. Ro. 11. 1, 2.
[u] Is. 28. 29. Ro. 11. 33, 34
[v] Je. 12. 1, 2. Mal. 3. 15.
‡ be *after it.*
[w] or, *quickly.*
[x] Ps. 38. 16.
[y] Ps. 93. 5.
[z] Am. 6. 3.
[a] Is. 10. 1.
[b] Mat. 27. 1.
[c] Is. 65. 22. Ho. 14. 5, 6. 2 Pe. 3. 18.
[d] Ex. 23. 7. Pr. 17. 15.
[e] Pr. 2. 22.
‖ *green.*
[f] De. 32. 4.
[g] Ro. 9. 14.
[h] De. 32. 15. 2 Sa. 22. 47.
[i] Is. 52. 7. Re. 19. 6.
[*] *present his face.*
[k] Ps. 135. 5.
[l] Ps. 45. 6. Pr. 8. 22, &c.
† *from then.*
‡ *whose.*
§ or, *the heights of the hills are his.*
‖ *Whose the sea is.*
[m] Ge. 1. 9, 10.
[n] 1 Co. 6. 20.
[o] He. 3. 7, 15. 4. 7.
[*] *to length of days.*
[p] Ex. 17. 2, 7. Nu. 14. 22, &c. 20. 13. De. 6. 16.

PSALM XCIV.

O LORD [*] God, [a] to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, † shew thyself.

2 Lift up thyself, thou [b] judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.

3 LORD, [c] how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?

4 *How long* shall they [d] utter *and* speak hard things? *and* all the workers of iniquity boast themselves?

5 They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.

6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.

7 Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard *it*.

8 Understand, ye brutish among the people: and *ye* fools, when will ye be wise?

9 He [f] that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?

10 He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that [g] teacheth man knowledge, *shall not he know?*

11 The [h] LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they *are* vanity.

12 Blessed [i] *is* the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.

14 For [k] the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

15 But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall ‡ follow it.

16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? *or* who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?

17 Unless the LORD *had been* my help, my soul had § almost dwelt in silence.

18 When I said, [*] My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.

19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.

20 Shall [l] the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which [*] frameth mischief by a law?

21 They [b] gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and [d] condemn the innocent blood.

22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God *is* the rock of my refuge.

23 And [e] he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

PSALM XCV.

O COME, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to [k] the rock of our salvation.

2 Let us [*] come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

3 For [k] the LORD *is* a great God, and a great King above all gods.

4 In [l] his hand *are* the deep places of the earth: § the strength of the hills *is* his also.

5 ‖ The [m] sea *is* his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry *land*.

6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let [n] us kneel before the LORD our maker.

7 For he *is* our God; and we *are* the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. [*] To day if ye will hear his voice,

8 Harden not your heart, [p] as in the

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[o] provocation, *and as in* the day of temptation in the wilderness:
9 When [b] your fathers tempted me, proved me, and [d] saw my work.
10 Forty years long was I grieved with *this* generation, and said, It *is* a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:
11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath ‡ that they should not enter into my rest.

PSALM XCVI.

O [e] SING unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.
2 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.
3 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.
4 For [h] the LORD *is* great, and greatly to be praised: he *is* to be feared above all gods.
5 For all the gods of the nations *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.
6 Honour and majesty *are* before him: strength and beauty *are* in his sanctuary.
7 Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.
8 Give unto the LORD the glory § *due unto* his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.
9 O worship the LORD [m] in the ‖ beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.
10 Say among the heathen *that* [n] the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.
11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.
12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: [r] he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

PSALM XCVII.

THE LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the ‡ multitude of [s] isles be glad *thereof.*
2 Clouds [d] and darkness *are* round about him: righteousness and judgment *are* the § habitation of his throne.
3 A [b] fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.
4 His [c] lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.
5 The [d] hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his glory.
7 Confounded [f] be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: [h] worship him, all *ye* gods.
8 Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.
9 For thou, LORD, *art* high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.
10 Ye that love the LORD, [i] hate evil: [k] he preserveth the souls of his saints; [l] he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
11 Light [n] is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.
12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks ‖ at the remembrance of his holiness.

[o] *contention.*
[c] Is. 42. 10.
[b] Ps. 78. 18. 1 Co. 10. 9.
[d] Ex. 15. 11.
[d] Nu. 14. 22.
[e] Is. 52. 10. Lu. 2. 30, 31.
[f] Is. 62. 2. Ro. 3. 25, 26.
† or, *revealed*
[g] Lu. 1. 54, 55, 72.
‡ *if they enter.*
[h] Is. 49. 6. Ac. 13. 47. 28. 28.
[i] 1 Ch. 16. 23. ...33.
[k] Ps. 145. 3.
§ *of his.*
[l] Ex. 23. 22.
[m] Ps. 110. 3.
‖ or, *glorious sanctuary.*
[n] *stagger.*
[o] Re. 11. 15. 19. 6.
[p] De. 33. 5. Re. 15. 4.
[p] Job 36. 5...7.
† or, *it.*
[r] Le. 19. 2.
[s] Je. 15. 1.
[t] Re. 19. 11.
[m] 1 Sa. 7. 9. 12. 18.
[n] Ex. 33. 9.
‡ *many*, or, *great isles.*
[x] Is. 60. 9.
[y] Nu. 14. 20.
[z] Ex. 32. 2, &c. Nu. 20. 12, 24 De. 9. 20.
[a] Ps. 18. 11. 1 Ki. 8. 12.
§ or, *establishment.*
[b] Da. 7. 10. Hab. 3. 5.
‖ or, *thanksgiving.* Ps. 145, title
[c] Ex. 19. 18.
[d] *the earth.*
[d] Mi. 1. 4. Na. 1. 5.
[e] Ep. 2. 10.
[f] Ps. 69. 1.
† or, *and his worshippers are.*
[f] Ese. 34. 30, 31.
[g] Ex. 20. 4. Le. 26. 1.
[h] He. 1. 6.
‡ *generation and generation.* Ps. 89. 1.
[i] Am. 5. 15. Ro. 12. 9.
[k] Ps. 145. 20. Pr. 2. 8.
[l] Da. 3. 28. 6. 22, 27.
[m] 1 Sa. 18. 14.
[n] Ps. 112. 4. Job 22. 28. Pr. 4. 18.
§ *thing of Belial.*
‖ or, *to the memorial.*
[o] Jos. 23. 6. 1 Sa. 12. 20, 21.

PSALM XCVIII. A Psalm.

O [o] SING unto the LORD a new song; for [c] he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.
2 The [c] LORD hath made known his salvation: [f] his righteousness hath he † openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
3 He hath [g] remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: [h] all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.
5 Sing unto the LORD with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.
6 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.
7 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.
8 Let the floods clap *their* hands: let the hills be joyful together
9 Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

PSALM XCIX.

THE LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: [l] he sitteth *between* the cherubims; let the earth [o] be moved.
2 The LORD *is* great in Zion; and he *is* high above all the people.
3 Let them praise [o] thy great and terrible name; *for* it *is* holy.
4 The [p] king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; *for* † he [r] *is* holy.
6 Moses [s] and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name; they [m] called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
7 He [n] spake unto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance *that* he gave them.
8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: [y] thou wast a God that forgavest them, though [z] thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.
9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God *is* holy.

PSALM C. A Psalm of ‖ praise.

MAKE a joyful noise unto the LORD, all [e] ye lands.
2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
3 Know ye that the LORD he *is* God: [e] *it is he that* hath made us, † and not we ourselves; [f] we *are* his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.
5 For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* to † all generations.

PSALM CI. A Psalm of David.

I WILL sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.
2 I will [m] behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.
3 I will set no § wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them [n] that turn aside; *it* shall not cleave to me.

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4 A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not [b] know a wicked *person*.
5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: [c] him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.
6 Mine eyes *shall be* upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh [†] in a perfect way, he shall serve me.
7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not [‡] tarry in my sight.
8 I will [f] early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

PSALM CII.

A Prayer [§] of the afflicted, [g] when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint before the LORD.

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.
2 Hide not thy face from me in the day *when* I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day *when* I call answer me speedily.
3 For [i] my days are consumed [‖] like smoke, and [m] my bones are burned as an hearth.
4 My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget to eat my bread.
5 By reason of the voice of my groaning [P] my bones cleave to my [†] skin.
6 I am like [r] a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the desert.
7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.
8 Mine enemies reproach me all the day; *and* they that are [s] mad against me are [t] sworn against me.
9 For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with weeping,
10 Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.
11 My [u] days *are* like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered like grass.
12 But [v] thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.
13 Thou shalt arise, *and* [x] have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.
14 For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.
15 So the heathen shall [z] fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.
16 When the LORD shall build up Zion, [a] he shall appear in his glory.
17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.
18 This shall be [b] written for the generation to come: and [c] the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.
19 For he hath [d] looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth;
20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose [e] those that are appointed to death;
21 To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem;
22 When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.
23 He [†] weakened my strength in the way; he shortened my days.
24 I said, [f] O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: [u] thy years *are* throughout all generations.

[a] Ge. 1. 1. He. 1. 10.
[b] Mat. 7. 23. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[c] Pr. 15. 17.
[d] Ro. 8. 20. 2 Pe. 3. 7, 10 ..12.
[e] *stand.*
[f] Mal. 3. 6. He. 13. 8. Ja. 1. 17.
[†] or, *perfect in the way.* Ps. 119. 1.
[‡] *be established.*
[f] Je. 21. 12.
[§] or, *for.*
[g] Ps. 143. 2.
[h] Is. 33. 24. Mat. 9. 2, 6. Lu. 7. 47.
[i] Ex. 15. 26. Je. 17. 14.
[k] Is. 40. 31.
[l] Is. 6. 14.
[‖] or, (as some read) *into smoke.*
[m] Job 30. 30.
[n] Ex. 34. 6, 7. Nu. 14. 18. Je. 32. 18.
[o] *great of.*
[o] Je. 3. 5. Mi. 7. 18.
[P] Job 19. 20. La. 4. 8.
[†] or, *flesh.*
[r] Is. 34. 11. Zep. 2. 14.
[‡] *according to the height of the heaven.*
[s] Ps. 57. 10. Ep. 3. 18.
[t] Ac. 26. 11.
[u] Ac. 23. 12.
[v] Is. 43. 25. Mi. 7. 18.
[x] Mal. 3. 17
[y] Ps. 78. 39.
[z] Job 14. 2. Ec. 6. 12.
[a] Ge. 3. 19. Ec. 12. 7.
[b] 1 Pe. 1. 24.
[c] La. 5. 19.
[d] Job 14. 1, 2. Ja. 1. 10, 11.
[§] *it is not.*
[e] Is. 60. 10. Zec. 1. 12.
[f] Ex. 20. 6.
[g] 1 Ki. 8. 43.
[h] De. 7. 9.
[i] Is. 60. 1, 2.
[k] Da. 4. 25, 34.
[l] Ps. 148. 2.
[m] Ro. 15. 4. 1 Co 10. 11.
[‖] *mighty in.* Ps. 78. 25.
[n] Mat. 6. 10. He. 1. 14.
[o] Is. 43. 21.
[P] De. 28. 15.
[q] *the children of death.*
[†] *afflicted.*
[r] Da. 7. 9.
[s] Is. 40. 22. 45. 12.
[t] Is. 38. 10.
[u] Hab. 1. 12.
[x] Am. 9. 6.
[z] Is. 19. 1.

25 Of [a] old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens *are* the work of thy hands.
26 They [d] shall perish, but thou shalt [e] endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed:
27 But [v] thou *art* the same, and thy years shall have no end.
28 The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before thee.

PSALM CIII. *A Psalm* of David.

BLESS the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *bless* his holy name.
2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
3 Who [h] forgiveth all thine iniquities; who [i] healeth all thy diseases;
4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things; so that* [k] thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.
6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.
7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.
8 The [n] LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and [o] plenteous in mercy.
9 He [P] will not always chide: neither will he keep *his anger* for ever.
10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.
11 For [‡] as [q] the heaven is high above the earth, *so* great is his mercy toward them that fear him.
12 As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he [r] removed our transgressions from us.
13 Like [s] as a father pitieth his children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.
14 For he knoweth our frame; [t] he remembereth that we *are* [u] dust.
15 *As for* man, [b] his days *are* as grass: [d] as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.
16 For the wind passeth over it, and [§] it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.
17 But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness [f] unto children's children;
18 To [k] such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.
19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and [l] his kingdom ruleth over all.
20 Bless [l] the LORD, ye his angels, [‖] that excel in strength, that [m] do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.
21 Bless ye the LORD, all *ye* his hosts; *ye* ministers of his, that do his pleasure.
22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.

PSALM CIV.

BLESS the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.
2 Who [x] coverest *thyself* with light as *with* a garment: [z] who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:
3 Who [a] layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: [z] who maketh the

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clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind:

4 Who [a] maketh his angels spirits; [b] his ministers a flaming fire:

5 [c] *Who* [d] laid the foundations of the earth, *that* it should not be removed for ever.

6 Thou [e] coveredst it with the deep as *with* a garment: the waters stood above the mountains.

7 At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.

8 † They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them.

9 Thou [f] hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the earth.

10 ‡ He sendeth the springs into the valleys, *which* [g] run among the hills.

11 They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses [h] quench their thirst.

12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, *which* [i] sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.

14 He [j] causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of men: that he may bring forth [m] food out of the earth;

15 And [n] wine *that* maketh glad the heart of man, *and* † oil to make *his* face to shine, and bread *which* strengtheneth man's heart.

16 The trees of the LORD are full *of sap*; the cedars of Lebanon, [o] which he hath planted;

17 Where the birds make their nests: *as for* the stork, the fir trees *are* her house.

18 The high hills *are* a refuge for the wild goats; *and* the rocks *for* [m] the conies.

19 He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.

20 Thou [p] makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts [q] of the forest do creep *forth*.

21 The [r] young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.

22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth unto [s] his work and to his labour until the evening.

24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.

25 *So* is this great and wide sea, wherein *are* things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 There go the ships: *there is* that [t] leviathan, *whom* thou hast † made to play therein.

27 These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give *them* their meat in due season.

28 *That* thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good.

29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: [u] thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.

30 Thou [w] sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

31 The glory of the LORD [x] shall endure for ever: the LORD [y] shall rejoice in his works.

32 He looketh on the earth, and it [z] trembleth: [a] he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.

[a] He. 1. 7.
[b] 2 Ki. 2. 11. 6. 17.
[c] *He hath founded the earth upon her bases.*
[d] Ec. 1. 4.
[e] Ps. 37. 38. Pr. 2. 22.
[f] Ge. 7. 19.
[g] 1 Ch. 16. 8. Is. 12. 4.
† or, *The mountains covered the valleys descend.*
[h] Je. 5. 22.
‡ *Who.*
[i] *walk.*
[j] Ps. 27. 8.
[m] *break.*
[n] *give a voice.*
[o] Is. 26. 9.
[p] Le. 1. 72.
[q] Ge. 1. 28, 29.
[m] Job 28. 5.
[n] Ge. 17. 2. Le. 1. 73.
[o] Ge. 28. 3.
[p] Ju. 2. 13. Pr. 31. 6, 7.
[q] Ge. 30. 11, 13. He. 6. 17.
† *to make his face shine with oil, or, more than oil.*
‡ *the cord.*
[r] Nu. 24. 6.
[s] He. 11. 9.
[t] Pr. 30. 25.
[u] Ge. 3. 5.
[m] Ge. 12. 17. 20. 3, 7.
[p] Is. 45. 7.
[q] *thereof do trample in the forest.*
[r] Job 38. 39. Joel 1. 20.
[s] Le 26. 26. Is 3. 1. Eze. 4. 16.
[t] Ge. 45. 5. 50. 20.
[u] Ge. 37. 28, 36
[w] Ge. 39. 20. 40. 15.
[x] Ge. 3. 19.
[y] *his soul came into.*
[z] Ge. 41. 40.
[a] *possession.*
[b] Job 41. 1.
† *formed.*
[c] Ge. 46. 6.
[d] Ex. 1. 7, &c.
[e] Job 34. 14, 15. Ec. 12. 7.
[m] Ps. 78. 42, &c Ex. VII.. XII.
‡ *words of his signs.*
[n] Is. 32. 15. Eze. 37. 9.
[o] Ps. 105. 23.
[p] Ps. 99. 7.
[q] *shall be.*
[r] Ge. 1. 31.
[s] Hab. 3. 10.

33 I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

34 My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD.

35 Let [d] the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CV.

O *GIVE* thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people.

2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works.

3 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

4 Seek the LORD, and his strength: [a] seek his face evermore.

5 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.

7 He is the LORD our God: [f] his judgments *are* in all the earth.

8 He hath [k] remembered his covenant for ever, the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations.

9 Which [m] *covenant* he made with Abraham, and his oath unto [o] Isaac;

10 And confirmed the same unto [r] Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant:

11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, [t] the lot of your inheritance:

12 When they were *but* a few men in number; yea, very few, [t] and strangers in it.

13 When they went from one nation to another, from *one* kingdom to another people;

14 He [v] suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, [x] he reproved kings for their sakes;

15 *Saying*, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

16 Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole [z] staff of bread.

17 He [a] sent a man before them, even Joseph, *who* [c] was sold for a servant:

18 Whose [d] feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

20 The [f] king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.

21 He [g] made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

22 To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

23 Israel [i] also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

24 And [k] he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

25 He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with his servants.

26 He sent Moses his servant; *and* Aaron whom he had chosen.

27 They [m] shewed his signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.

28 He sent darkness, and made it dark; and [p] they rebelled not against his word.

29 He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.

30 Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.

31 He spake, and there came divers sorts of flies, *and* lice in all their coasts.

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32 He gave [o] them hail for rain, *and* flaming fire in their land.

33 He smote their vines also and their fig trees; and brake the trees of their coasts.

34 He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that without number,

35 And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

36 He smote also all the firstborn in their land, [c] the chief of all their strength.

37 He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and *there was* not one feeble *person* among their tribes.

38 Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell upon them.

39 He *spread* a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.

40 *The people* asked, and he brought quails, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

41 He [b] opened the rock, and the waters gushed out; they ran in the dry places *like* a river.

42 For he remembered [l] his holy promise, *and* Abraham his servant.

43 And he brought forth his people with joy, *and* his chosen with [§] gladness:

44 And [m] gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people;

45 That [n] they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. [¶] Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CVI.

PRAISE [o] ye the LORD. [p] O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 Who [q] can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? *who* can shew forth all his praise?

3 Blessed *are* they that keep judgment, *and* he that [m] doeth righteousness at [r] all times.

4 Remember [s] me, O LORD, with the favour *that thou bearest unto* thy people: O visit me with thy salvation;

5 That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.

6 We [t] have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.

7 Our [u] fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt; they remembered not the multitude of thy mercies; but provoked *him* at the sea, *even* at the Red sea.

8 Nevertheless he saved them [v] for his name's sake, that he might make his mighty power to be known.

9 He [b] rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so [b] he led them through the depths, as through the wilderness.

10 And he saved them from the hand of him that hated *them*, and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

11 And [l] the waters covered their enemies: there was not one of them left.

12 Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.

13 They [w] soon forgat his works; they waited not for his counsel:

14 But [§] lusted [x] exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert.

15 And he gave them their request; but sent [x] leanness into their soul.

16 They [y] envied Moses also in the camp, *and* Aaron the saint of the LORD.

17 The [z] earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram.

18 And a fire was kindled in their company; the flame burned up the wicked.

19 They [a] made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image.

20 Thus [b] they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.

21 They forgat God their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt;

22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham, *and* terrible things by the Red sea.

23 Therefore [c] he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy *them*.

24 Yea, they despised [†] the pleasant land, they [d] believed not his word:

25 But [b] murmured in their tents, *and* hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.

26 Therefore he [e] lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them in the wilderness:

27 To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and to scatter them in the lands.

28 They [m] joined themselves also unto Baal-peor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead.

29 Thus they provoked *him* to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon them.

30 Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and *so* the plague was stayed.

31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore.

32 They angered *him* also at the waters of strife, [b] so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:

33 Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

34 They [f] did not destroy the nations, [m] concerning whom the LORD commanded them:

35 But [g] were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.

36 And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them.

37 Yea, [e] they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto [a] devils,

38 And shed innocent blood, *even* the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and [e] the land was polluted with blood.

39 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and [e] went a whoring with their own inventions.

40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred [e] his own inheritance.

41 And [i] he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.

42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand.

43 Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked *him* with their counsel, and were [†] brought low for their iniquity.

44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when [m] he heard their cry:

45 And [m] he remembered for them his covenant, and repented [p] according to the multitude of his mercies.

46 He [r] made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them captives.

47 Save [m] us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name, *and* to triumph in thy praise.

48 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel

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[o] *their rain hail.*
[a] Ex. 33. 4.
[b] Je. 2. 11. Ro. 1. 23.
[c] Ge. 49. 3.
[d] Ge. 10. 10.
[e] Exo. 13. 5. 22. 20.
[†] *a land of desire.*
[f] Ex. 13. 21. Ne. 9. 12.
[g] Ho. 5. 13.
[h] Nu. 14. 2, 27.
[i] Ex. 6. 6. De. 33. 40.
[k] Ex. 17. 6. Nu. 20. 11. 1 Co. 10. 4.
[l] *made them fall.*
[l] Ge. 15. 14.
[m] Ho. 9. 10. Re. 2. 14.
[§] *singing.*
[n] De. 6. 10, 11. Jos. 13. 7, &c
[o] De. 4. 1, 40. 6. 24...25.
[¶] *Hallelujah.*
[o] *Hallelujah.*
[p] 1 Ch. 16. 34.
[q] De. 1. 37. 3. 26.
[r] Ps. 40. 5.
[s] Ju. 1. 21, &c.
[t] Ps. 15. 2.
[u] Ac. 24. 16. Ga. 6. 9.
[m] De. 7. 9. 16.
[x] Ps. 119 132. Lu. 23. 42.
[v] Is. 2. 6. 1 Co. 5. 6.
[w] 2 Ki. 16. 3. Is. 57. 5.
[a] Le. 17. 7. 1 Co. 10. 20.
[b] Le. 26. 40. 1 Ki. 8. 47. De. 9. 5. Mat. 23. 32. Ac. 7. 51, 52.
[c] Nu. 35. 33.
[d] Mar. 4. 12. 2 Th. 2. 10 ...12.
[e] Nu. 15. 39.
[f] Exo. 20. 14.
[g] De. 9. 23.
[h] Ex. 14. 21. Na. 1. 4.
[i] Ne. 9. 27, &c.
[k] Is. 63. 11...14
[l] Ex. 15. 5.
[†] or, *impoverished*, or, *weakened.*
[z] *made haste, they forgat* [m] Ju. 4. 3. 6. 7. 10. 10.
[n] La. 3. 31, 42.
[§] *lusted a lust.*
[e] Nu. 11. 4, 33. 1 Co. 10. 6.
[p] Ps. 51. 1. 69. 16. Is. 63. 7. La. 3. 32.
[r] Ezr. 9. 9. Je. 42. 12.
[s] Is. 10. 16.
[t] Nu. 14. 1, &c
[u] 1 Ch. 16. 35, 36.
[v] De. 11. 6.

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from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. [o] Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CVII.

O GIVE thanks unto the LORD, for [a] *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say *so*, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

3 And [b] gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from † the south.

4 They wandered in [c] the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.

5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

6 Then [d] they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he delivered them out of their distresses.

7 And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

8 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

9 For [e] he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Such as [f] sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, *being* [g] bound in affliction and iron;

11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned [h] the counsel of the most High:

12 Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, and *there was* [i] none to help.

13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saved them out of their distresses.

14 He [k] brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

15 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

16 For he hath [l] broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Fools [m] because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.

18 Their [n] soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death.

19 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saveth them out of their distresses.

20 He [o] sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions.

21 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

22 And [p] let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and [q] declare his works with † rejoicing.

23 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;

24 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.

25 For he commandeth, [r] and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: [s] their soul is melted because of trouble.

27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and § are at their wit's end.

28 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

29 He [t] maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

31 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

32 Let them exalt him also [u] in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

33 He [v] turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground;

34 A [w] fruitful land into ‡ barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

35 He [x] turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings.

36 And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation;

37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.

38 He [y] blesseth them also, so that they [z] are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

39 Again, they are [aa] minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.

40 He [bb] poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the § wilderness, *where there is* no way.

41 Yet [cc] setteth he the poor on high ‖ from affliction, and maketh *him* families like a flock.

42 The [dd] righteous shall see *it*, and rejoice: and all [ee] iniquity shall stop her mouth.

43 Whoso [ff] *is* wise, and will observe these *things*, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.

PSALM CVIII.

A Song or Psalm of David.

O [a] GOD, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.

2 Awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.

3 I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4 For thy mercy *is* great above the heavens: and thy truth *reacheth* unto the [b] clouds.

5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth;

6 That [c] thy beloved may be delivered, save *with* thy right hand, and answer me.

7 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead *is* mine; Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; [d] Judah *is* my lawgiver;

9 Moab is my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; over Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into Edom?

11 *Wilt* not *thou*, O God, *who* hast cast us off? and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12 Give us help from trouble: for vain *is* the help of man.

13 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.

PSALM CIX.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HOLD [a] not thy peace, O God of my praise;

2 For the mouth of the wicked and the ‖ mouth of the deceitful [b] are opened

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[o] *Hallelujah.*
[a] Ps. 119. 68. Mat. 19. 17.
[b] Ps. 22. 22, 23. 111. 1.
[c] Is. 43. 5, 6.
[d] 1 Ki. 17. 1, 7.
† *the sea.*
[e] Ge. 13. 10. 19. 25.
‡ *saltness.*
[f] De. 32. 10.
[g] Is. 41. 18.
[h] Ho. 5. 15.
[i] Exr. 8. 21.
[k] Ge. 12. 2. 17. 16, 20.
[l] Ex. 1. 7.
[m] 2 Ki. 10. 32.
[n] Ps. 34. 10. La. 1. 53.
[o] La. 1. 19.
[p] Job 19. 21, 24
[q] Job 36. 8.
§ or, *void place.*
[r] 1 Sa. 2. 8.
[s] La. 7. 30. Ac. 20. 27.
‖ or, *after.*
[t] Job 22. 19.
[u] Job 5. 16. Pr. 10. 11. Ro. 3. 19.
[x] Ps. 22. 11. Is. 63. 5.
[y] Jo. 9. 12. Ho. 14. 9.
[z] Ac. 12. 7, &c 16. 26, &c Ep. 5. 8. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[a] Ps. 57. 7...11.
[b] Is. 45. 2.
[c] La. 3. 39.
[d] Job 33. 30.
[e] or, *skies.*
[a] Ps 60. 5, &c.
[f] 2 Ki. 20. 4, 5. Mat. 8. 8.
[g] Ro. 1. 20, 21. 2 Ti. 3. 2.
[h] Ps. 50. 14. 116. 17. Le. 7. 12. He. 13. 15.
[i] Ge. 49. 10.
[k] Ps. 9. 11. 118. 17.
† *singing.*
[l] Jon. 1. 4. Mat. 8. 24. Jno. 6. 18.
‡ *maketh to stand.*
[m] Ps. 22. 14. 119. 28. Na. 2. 10.
§ *all their wisdom is swallowed up.*
[n] Ps. 63. 1.
[o] Ps. 69. 9. Mat. 8. 26.
‖ *mouth of deceit.*
[p] *have opened themselves.*

[a] Ps. 57. 7...11. 108. 1.
[b] Ps. 36. 5.
[c] Ps. 60. 5, &c.
[d] Ge. 49. 10.
[a] Ps. 83. 1.
[b] Ps. 109. 2.

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against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.

3 They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought against me [b] without a cause.

4 For my love they are my adversaries: but I *give myself unto* prayer.

5 And [c] they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.

6 Set thou a wicked man over him: and let [†] Satan [f] stand at his right hand.

7 When he shall be judged, let him [‡] be condemned: and [h] let his prayer become sin.

8 Let his days be few; *and* [h] let another take his [§] office.

9 Let [i] his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.

10 Let his children be continually vagabonds, and beg: let them seek *their bread* also out of their desolate places.

11 Let [k] the extortioner catch all that he hath; and let the strangers spoil his labour.

12 Let there be none to extend mercy unto him: neither let there be any to favour his fatherless children.

13 Let [l] his posterity be cut off; *and* in the generation following let their [l] name be blotted out.

14 Let [m] the iniquity of his fathers be remembered with the LORD; and let not the sin of his mother [n] be blotted out.

15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may [o] cut off the memory of them from the earth.

16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.

17 As [p] he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted not in blessing, so let it be far from him.

18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so let it [q] come [‖] into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

19 Let it be unto him as the garment *which* covereth him, and for a girdle wherewith he is girded continually.

20 *Let* this *be* the reward of mine adversaries from the LORD, and of them that speak evil against my soul.

21 But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake: because thy mercy *is* good, deliver thou me.

22 For I *am* poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.

23 I am gone [s] like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and down as the locust.

24 My [t] knees are weak through fasting; and my flesh faileth of fatness.

25 I became also a reproach unto them: *when* they looked upon me [u] they shaked their heads.

26 Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy:

27 That they may know that this *is* thy hand; *that* thou, LORD, hast done it.

28 Let [v] them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be ashamed; but let [v] thy servant rejoice.

29 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame, and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a mantle.

30 I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea, I will praise him among the multitude.

31 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save *him* from [§] those that condemn his soul.

[a] Lu. 20. 42, 43. Ac. 2. 34. 1 Co. 15. 25. He. 1. 13. 1 Pe. 3. 22.
[b] Jno. 15. 25.
[c] Ps. 35. 7, 12. Jno. 15. 18.
[d] Ju. 5. 2.
[e] Ps. 96. 9.
[*] or, *more than the womb of the morning: thou shalt have, &c.*
[†] or, *an adversary.*
[f] Zec. 3. 1.
[‡] *go out guilty*, or, *wicked.*
[g] Nu. 23. 19.
[h] Pr. 28. 9.
[i] Zec. 6. 13. He. 5. 6. 7. 17, 21.
[k] Ac. 1. 20.
[§] or, *charge.*
[l] Ex. 22. 24.
[m] Ro. 2. 5. Re. 11. 18.
[n] Ps. 68. 21. Hab. 3. 13.
[‖] or, *great.*
[o] Job 18. 9.
[p] Jno. 18. 11.
[q] Is. 53. 12. Phi. 2. 9...11.
[*] *Hallelujah.*
[r] Ps. 37. 38.
[t] Pr. 10. 7.
[u] Ex. 20. 5.
[v] Job xxxviii ..xii
[w] Ps. 143. 5.
[x] Ne. 4. 5. Jo. 18. 33.
[y] Ps. 34. 16.
[†] *prey.*
[a] Mat. 6. 26, 33
[b] Pr. 14. 14. Ecc. 25. 6.
[c] Nu. 5. 22.
[d] 2 Ti. 2. 13.
[‡] *within him.*
[§] are *established.*
[e] Is. 40. 8. Mat. 5. 18.
[f] Ro. 15. 3.
[g] Mat. 1. 21. Lu. 1. 68.
[h] Lu. 1. 49.
[i] De. 4. 6. Job 28. 28. Pr. 1. 7. Ec. 12. 13.
[‖] or, *good success.* Pr. 3. 4.
[k] *do them.*
[l] Ps. 102. 11.
[†] *Hallelujah.* He. 12. 12.
[m] Mat. 6. 33.
[n] Mat. 27. 39.
[o] Job 11. 17.
[p] Lu. 6. 35.
[r] 2 Co. 16. 1, 12
[s] Ep. 5. 15. Col. 4. 5.
[‡] *judgment.*
[t] Is. 65. 14.
[u] Pr. 10. 7.
[v] Pr. 1. 33.
[w] Ps. 3. 23.
[§] *the judges of his soul.*
[x] 2 Co. 9. 9.

PSALM CX. A Psalm of David.

THE [a] LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

3 Thy [d] people *shall be* willing in the day of thy power, [r] in the beauties of holiness [*] from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.

4 The LORD hath sworn, and [s] will not repent, [t] Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings [u] in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill *the places* with the dead bodies; [v] he shall wound the heads over [‖] many countries.

7 He [y] shall drink of the brook in the way: [r] therefore shall he lift up the head.

PSALM CXI.

PRAISE [*] ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and *in* the congregation.

2 The [w] works of the LORD *are* great, [x] sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work *is* honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD *is* gracious and full of compassion.

5 He hath given † meat [a] unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands *are* [d] verity and judgment; all his commandments *are* sure.

8 They [§] stand [e] fast for ever and ever, *and are*] done in truth and uprightness.

9 He [§] sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: [h] holy and reverend *is* his name.

10 The [i] fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: [‖] a good understanding have all they that [*] do *his commandments:* his praise endureth for ever.

PSALM CXII.

PRAISE [†] ye the LORD. Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD, *that* delighteth greatly in his commandments.

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3 Wealth [m] and riches *shall be* in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 Unto [o] the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 A [p] good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs [‡] with discretion.

6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the [n] righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

7 He [v] shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

8 His heart *is* established, [w] he shall not be afraid, until he see *his desire* upon his enemies.

9 He [y] hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for

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ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 The [a] wicked shall see *it*, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: [b] the desire of the wicked shall perish.

PSALM CXIII.

PRAISE [c] ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.

2 Blessed [d] be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD'S name *is* to be praised.

4 The LORD *is* high above all nations, *and* his glory above the heavens.

5 Who *is* like unto the LORD our God, who [e] dwelleth on high,

6 Who [f] humbleth *himself* to behold *the things that are* in heaven, and in the earth!

7 He [g] raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;

8 That he may *set him* with princes, *even* with the princes of his people.

9 He [h] maketh the barren woman to keep house, *and to be* a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXIV.

WHEN [m] Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob [n] from a people of strange language;

2 Judah [o] was his sanctuary, *and* Israel his dominion.

3 The [p] sea saw *it*, and fled: [q] Jordan was driven back.

4 The [r] mountains skipped like rams, *and* the little hills like lambs.

5 What [s] *ailed* thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan, *that* thou wast driven back?

6 Ye mountains, *that* ye skipped like rams; *and* ye little hills, like lambs?

7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob;

8 Which [t] turned the rock *into* a standing water, the flint into a fountain of waters.

PSALM CXV.

NOT [u] unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, *and* for thy truth's sake.

2 Wherefore should the heathen say, [v] Where *is* now their God?

3 But [w] our God *is* in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

4 Their *f* idols *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:

6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:

7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

8 They [h] that make them are like unto them; *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless *us*; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.

13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, *both* small † and great.

14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

15 Ye *are* blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

16 The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD'S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17 The [x] dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.

18 But [d] we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

PSALM CXVI.

I LOVE [f] the LORD, because he hath heard my voice *and* my supplications.

2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon *him* † as long as I live.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell [§] gat hold upon me. I found trouble and sorrow.

4 Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious *is* the LORD, and [i] righteous; yea, our God *is* merciful.

6 The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.

7 Return unto thy [j] rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

8 For [k] thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and* my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

10 I [l] believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:

11 I said in my haste, [m] All men *are* liars.

12 What shall I render unto the LORD *for* all his benefits toward me?

13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

14 I [n] will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.

15 Precious [o] in the sight of the LORD *is* the death of his saints.

16 O LORD, truly I *am* thy servant; I *am* thy servant, *and* the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.

17 I will offer to thee [p] the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.

18 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,

19 In the [q] courts of the LORD'S house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXVII.

O [s] PRAISE the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.

2 For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and [t] the truth of the LORD *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXVIII.

O [i] GIVE thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: because his mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 Let [f] Israel now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

5 I [m] called upon the LORD [o] in distress: the LORD answered me, *and* [m] *set* me in a large place.

6 The [o] LORD *is* † on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

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[a] Le. 13. 28. 16. 23.
[b] Pr. 10. 28. 11. 7.
[c] *Hallelujah.*
[d] Ps. 6. 5. 88. 10. Is. 38. 18.
[e] Re. 5. 13.
[f] Da. 2. 20. Ep. 3. 20, 21. 5. 20.
[g] Ps. 18. 1.-6. Mar. 12. 33. Jno. 21. 17. 1 Jno. 4. 19. 5. 2, 3.
† *in my days*
‡ *exalteth himself to dwell.*
[h] Is. 57. 15. 66. 1, 2.
§ *found me.*
[k] Ps. 107. 41. 1 Sa. 2. 8. Lu. 1. 52, 53. Ja. 2. 5.
[l] Exr. 9. 15. Ne. 9. 8. Ro. 3. 25, 26.
[m] 1 Sa. 2. 5. Is. 54. 1. Ga. 4. 27.
‖ *dwell in an.*
[i] Je. 6. 16. Mat. 11. 29.
[m] Ex. 13. 3.
[n] Ps. 56. 13.
[o] Ps. 61. 5.
[p] De. 27. 9. 2 Co. 6. 16, 17. Re. 21. 3.
[q] Ex. 14. 21.
[r] Jos. 3. 13, 16.
[s] 2 Co. 4. 13.
[t] Hab. 3. 6.
[u] Ro. 3. 4.
[v] Jon. 2. 9.
[w] Ps. 72. 14.
[x] Ex. 17. 6. Nu. 20. 11. 1 Co. 10. 4.
[a] Le. 7. 12. He. 13. 15.
[b] Is. 48. 11. Eze. 36. 32. Ep. 1. 6. Re. 4. 10, 11.
[c] Ps. 96. 8. 135. 2.
[d] Joel 2. 17.
[e] Ps. 135. 6. 1 Ch. 16. 26. Da. 4. 35.
[f] Da. 2. 28. Je. 10. 3, &c.
[g] Ro. 15. 11.
[h] Ps. 100. 5.
[i] Ps. 106. 1. 107. 1. 136. 1. 1 Ch. 16. 8, 34
[k] Is. 44. 9.-11. Jon. 2. 8. Hab. 2. 18, 19
[l] Ps. 115. 9, &c
[m] Ps. 120. 1.
[n] *out of.*
[o] Ps. 18. 19.
[p] Is. 51. 12. He. 13. 6.
† *for me.*
‡ *with.*

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7 The [m] LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall [n] I see *my desire* upon them that hate me.

8 *It* [o] *is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

9 *It* [p] *is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD will I [q] destroy them.

11 They [r] compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

12 They compassed me about [s] like bees; they are quenched [t] as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will [u] destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me.

14 The [v] LORD *is* my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation *is* in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

16 The [w] right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

17 I [x] shall not die, but live, and [y] declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD [z] hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open [a] to me the gates of righteousness: I will go in them, *and* I will praise the LORD:

20 This [b] gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.

21 I will praise thee: for thou hast [c] heard me, and art become my salvation.

22 The [d] stone *which* the builders refused is become the head *stone* of the corner.

23 This is ‖ the LORD's doing; it *is* marvellous in our eyes.

24 This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed [e] *be* he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

27 God *is* the LORD, which hath shewed us [f] light: bind the sacrifice with cords, *even* unto the horns of the altar.

28 Thou *art* my God, and I will praise thee: [g] *thou art* my God, I will exalt thee.

29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

PSALM CXIX.

א ALEPH.

BLESSED *are* the [h] undefiled in the way, [i] who walk in the law of the LORD.

2 Blessed *are* they that keep his testimonies, *and that* seek him with the whole heart.

3 They [k] also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

4 Thou hast commanded *us* to keep thy precepts diligently.

5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!

6 Then [l] shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned [m] thy righteous judgments.

8 I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

ב BETH.

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed *thereto* according to thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I [n] sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.

11 Thy [o] word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

12 Blessed *art* thou, O LORD: [p] teach me thy statutes.

13 With my lips have I [q] declared all the judgments of thy mouth.

14 I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as *much as* in all riches.

15 I will [r] meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.

16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

ג GIMEL.

17 Deal [s] bountifully with thy servant, *that* I may live, and keep thy word.

18 [t] Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

19 I [u] *am* a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from me.

20 My [v] soul breaketh for the longing *that it hath* unto thy judgments at all times.

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud *that are* cursed, which do err from thy commandments.

22 Remove [w] from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 Princes also did sit *and* speak against me: *but* thy servant did [x] meditate in thy statutes.

24 Thy testimonies also *are* my delight *and* [y] my counsellors.

ד DALETH.

25 My [z] soul cleaveth unto the dust: [a] quicken thou me according to thy word.

26 I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: [b] teach *me* thy statutes.

27 Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so [c] shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

28 My [d] soul [e] melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.

29 Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.

30 I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid *before me*.

31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.

32 I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt [f] enlarge my heart.

ה HE.

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it [g] *unto* the end.

34 Give [h] me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to [i] covetousness.

37 I Turn [k] away mine eyes from [l] beholding vanity; *and* quicken thou me in thy way.

38 Stablish [m] thy word unto thy servant, who *is devoted* to thy fear.

39 Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments *are* good.

40 Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.

ו VAU.

41 Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, *even* thy salvation, according to thy word.

42 So shall I ‖ have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.

43 And take not the word of truth utterly

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[a] Ps. 54. 4.
[b] 2 Ch. 15. 15.
[c] Ps. 59. 10.
[d] Je. 17. 5, 7.
[e] Lu. 2. 19, 51.
[f] Ps. 143. 3.
[g] Ps. 25. 4.
[h] Ps. 31. 11.
[i] *cut them off*
[k] Ps. 88. 17.
[l] Ps. 1. 2.
[m] De. 1. 44.
[n] Na. 1. 10.
[o] *cut them down.*
[p] Ps. 116. 7.
[q] Ex. 15. 2. Is. 12. 2.
[r] *Reveal.*
[s] Ps. 39. 12. Ge. 47. 9. 1 Ch. 29. 15. 2 Co. 5. 6. He. 11. 13.
[t] Ps. 63. 1. 84. 2.
[u] Ex. 15. 6.
[v] Hab. 1. 12.
[w] Ps. 73. 28.
[x] Ps. 39. 9.
[y] 2 Co. 5. 9.
[z] Is. 28. 9.
[a] Is. 1. 25.
[b] Ps. 24. 7. Is. 35. 8. Re. 21. 27. 22. 14, 15.
[c] *men of my counsel.*
[d] Ps. 44. 25.
[e] Ps. 116. 1.
[f] Ps. 143. 11.
[g] Mat. 21. 42. Ac. 4. 11. Ep. 2. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 4, 7.
[h] Ps. 25. 4.
‖ *from the LORD.*
[i] Ps. 145. 5, 6.
[k] Ps. 107. 26.
[l] *dropped.*
[m] Lev. 4. 7. Mat. 21. 9. 23. 39.
[n] Es. 8. 16.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[p] Ex. 15. 2. Is. 25. 1.
[q] 1 Ki. 4. 29. 2 Co. 6. 11.
[r] Mat. 10. 22. Re. 2. 26.
[s] Pr. 3. 6. Is. 1. 5.
[t] or, *turn back*, or, *remove.*
[u] Ps. 138. 1.
[v] Exo. 33. 31. Mar. 7. 21, 22 Lu. 12. 15. 1 Ti. 6. 10. He. 13. 5.
[w] 1 Jno. 3. 9. 5. 18.
[x] *Make to pass.*
[y] Is. 32. 15.
[z] Pr. 23. 5.
[a] 2 Sa. 7. 25.
[b] 1 Jno. 2. 28.
‖ *judgments of thy righteousness.*
‖ or, *answer him that reproacheth me in a thing.*

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out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments.
44 So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.
45 And I will walk † at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.
46 I [b] will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.
47 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.
48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

ז ZAIN.

49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.
50 This *is* my [c] comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.
51 The proud have had me greatly [d] in derision: *yet* have I not [e] declined from thy law.
52 I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD; and have comforted myself.
53 Horror [m] hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.
54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.
55 I [g] have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept thy law.
56 This I had, because I kept thy precepts.

ח CHETH.

57 *Thou art* [r] my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy words.
58 I intreated thy § favour with *my* whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy word.
59 I [s] thought on my ways, and [t] turned my feet unto thy testimonies.
60 I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.
61 The † bands of the wicked have robbed me: *but* I have not forgotten thy law.
62 At [v] midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments.
63 I *am* a companion of all *them* that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.
64 The [x] earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.

ט TETH.

65 Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.
66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.
67 Before [b] I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.
68 Thou *art* [a] good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.
69 The proud have [f] forged a lie against me: *but* I will keep thy precepts with *my* whole heart.
70 Their [h] heart is as fat as grease; *but* I delight in thy law.
71 *It is* [i] good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.
72 The [l] law of thy mouth *is* better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

י JOD.

73 Thy [m] hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.
74 They [o] that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word.
75 I know, O LORD, that thy judgments *are* [p] right, and [r] *that* thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.
76 Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be [o] for my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.
77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law *is* my delight.
78 Let the proud be [d] ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: *but* I will meditate in thy precepts.
79 Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.
80 Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

כ CAPH.

81 My [e] soul fainteth for thy salvation. *but* I hope in thy word.
82 Mine [d] eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?
83 For [f] I am become like a bottle in the smoke; *yet* do I not forget thy statutes.
84 How [h] many *are* the days of thy servant? [b] when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?
85 The [l] proud have digged pits for me, which *are* not after thy law.
86 All thy commandments *are* † faithful: they persecute me [m] wrongfully; help thou me.
87 They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy precepts.
88 Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.

ל LAMED.

89 For [p] ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.
90 Thy faithfulness *is* § unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it [o] abideth.
91 They continue this day according to [n] thine ordinances: for all *are* thy servants.
92 Unless thy law *had been* my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.
93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.
94 I *am* thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.
95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: *but* I will consider thy testimonies.
96 I [p] have seen an end of all perfection: *but* thy commandment *is* exceeding broad.

מ MEM.

97 O how love I thy law! [s] it *is* my meditation all the day.
98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me [n] wiser than mine enemies: for [t] they *are* ever with me.
99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: [u] for thy testimonies *are* my meditation.
100 I [v] understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.
101 I have [x] refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.
102 I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.
103 How [b] sweet are thy words unto my § taste! *yea, sweeter* than honey to my mouth!
104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

נ NUN.

105 Thy [n] word *is a* ‖ lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
106 I [p] have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.
107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.
108 Accept, I beseech thee, [o] the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

† *at large.*
[a] Ps. 25. 3.
[b] Ps. 138. 1. Mat. 10. 18, 19. Ac. 26. 1, 2.
[c] Ps. 71. 20. 94. 2.
[d] Ps. 69. 2.
[e] Ro. 15. 4.
[f] Job 30. 30.
[g] Je. 20. 7.
[h] Ps. 39. 4.
[i] Ps. 44. 18. Job 23. 11.
[k] Ro. 6. 19.
[l] Ps. 35. 7. Pr. 16. 27.
[m] Esr. 9. 3.
‡ *faithfulness.*
[n] Ps. 25. 19. 38. 19.
[o] Ps. 63. 5. Mar. 1. 35.
[p] Ps. 89. 2. Mat. 24. 34, 35. 1 Pe. 1. 25.
[r] Ps. 16. 5. Je. 10. 16. La. 3. 24.
§ *to generation and generation* Ps. 89. 1.
‖ *face.* Job 11. 19.
[s] *standeth.*
[t] La. 15. 17, 18.
[u] 2 Co. 12. 21.
[v] Je. 33. 25.
† or, *companies.*
[x] La. 6. 12. Ac. 16. 25.
[a] Ps. 33. 5.
[y] Mat. 5. 18.
[z] Ps. 1. 2.
[a] De. 4. 6, 8. Col. 3. 16.
‡ *it is ever.*
[b] Je 31. 18, 19. Ho. 12. 11.
[c] 2 Ti. 3. 15.
[d] Ps. 106. 1. 107. 1. Mat. 19. 17.
[e] Job 32. 7..9.
[f] Ps. 109. 2. Job 13. 4.
[g] Pr. 1. 15.
[h] Ps. 17. 10. Is. 6. 10. Ac. 28. 27.
[i] He. 12. 10, 11
[k] Ps. 19. 10. Pr. 8. 11.
§ *palate.*
[l] Ps. 19. 10. Pr. 8. 10, 11, 19.
[m] Ps. 100. 3. 138. 8. 139. 14. Job 10. 8.
[n] Pr. 6. 22.
‖ or, *candle.*
[o] Ps. 34. 2.
[p] Ne. 10. 29.
‡ *righteousness.*
[r] He. 12. 10.
[s] He. 14. 2.
[t] Ho. 13. 15.

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109 My [a]soul *is* continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.
110 The [b] wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.
111 Thy [d] testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they *are* the rejoicing of my heart.
112 I have inclined mine heart [†] to perform thy statutes alway, *even* unto the end.

ס SAMECH.

113 I hate *vain* thoughts: but thy law do I love.
114 Thou [e] *art* my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.
115 Depart [f] from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.
116 Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not [h] be ashamed of my hope.
117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.
118 Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit *is* falsehood.
119 Thou [§] puttest away all the wicked of the earth [‡] *like* dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.
120 My [m]flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.

ע AIN.

121 I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.
122 Be [p] surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me.
123 Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness.
124 Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes.
125 I [r] *am* thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.
126 *It is* time for *thee*, LORD, to work: *for* they have made void thy law.
127 Therefore [s] I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.
128 Therefore I esteem all *thy* precepts *concerning* all *things to be* right; *and* I hate every false way.

פ PE.

129 Thy testimonies *are* wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.
130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; [t] it giveth understanding unto the simple.
131 I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments.
132 Look [u] thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, [†] as [b] thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.
133 Order [v] my steps in thy word: and [d] let not any iniquity have dominion over me.
134 Deliver [f] me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.
135 Make [h] thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.
136 Rivers [i] of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.

צ TZADDI.

137 Righteous [k] *art* thou, O LORD, and upright *are* thy judgments.
138 Thy [l] testimonies *that* thou hast commanded *are* [§] righteous and very [‖] faithful.
139 My [m] zeal hath [•] consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.
140 Thy [n] word *is* very [†] pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

141 I *am* small and despised: *yet* do not I forget thy precepts.
142 Thy righteousness *is* an everlasting righteousness, and thy law *is* [‡] the truth.
143 Trouble and anguish have [•] taken hold on me: *yet* thy commandments *are* my delights.
144 The righteousness of thy testimonies *is* everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live.

ק KOPH.

145 I cried with *my* whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.
146 I cried unto thee; save me, [f] and I shall keep thy testimonies.
147 I [g] prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.
148 Mine [i] eyes prevent the *night* watches, that I might meditate in thy word.
149 Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.
150 They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.
151 Thou *art* [k] near, O LORD; and all thy commandments *are* truth.
152 Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them [n] for ever.

ר RESH.

153 Consider [o] mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.
154 Plead [r] my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.
155 Salvation [s] *is* far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.
156 ‖ Great *are* thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy judgments.
157 Many *are* my persecutors and mine enemies; *yet* do I not [n] decline from thy testimonies.
158 I beheld the transgressors, and [o]was grieved; because they kept not thy word.
159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.
160 [•] Thy word *is* true *from* the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments *endureth* for ever.

ש SCHIN.

161 Princes [p] have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.
162 I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.
163 I hate and abhor lying: *but* thy law do I love.
164 Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.
165 Great [q] peace have they which love thy law: and [†] nothing shall offend them.
166 LORD, [t] I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy commandments.
167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.
168 I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways *are* before thee.

ת TAU.

169 Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to thy word.
170 Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.
171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.
172 My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments *are* righteousness.

[a] Job 13. 14.
[b] Ps. 140. 5. 141. 9.
[c] Ps. 19. 9. Jno. 17. 17.
[d] De. 33. 4.
[e] *found me.*
[†] *to do.*
[f] Ps. 32. 7. 91. 1.
[g] Ps. 6. 8. 139. 19. Mat. 7. 23.
[‡] or, *that I may keep.*
[h] Ps. 5. 3. 88. 13. 130. 6.
[h] Ps. 25. 2. Ro. 5. 5. 9. 33. 10. 11.
[i] Ps. 63. 1, 6.
[§] *causest to cease.*
[k] Ps. 145. 18.
[l] Exo. 22. 18.
[m] Ps. 2. 11. Hab. 3. 16. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[m] Lu. 21. 33.
[n] La. 5. 1.
[p] He. 7. 22.
[r] Mi. 7. 9.
[s] Job 5. 4. Jude 11..13
‖ or, *Many.*
[t] Ps. 116. 16.
[u] Ps. 44. 18.
[v] Exo. 9. 4.
[a] Ps. 19. 10. Pr. 8. 11.
[•] *The beginning of thy word is true.*
[y] 1 Sa. 24. 11. 14. 26. 18.
[z] Ps. 19. 7. Pr. 1. 4.
[a] Ps. 106. 4.
[†] *according to the custom towards those, &c.*
[b] 2 Th. 1. 6, 7.
[c] Ps. 17. 5.
[d] Ps. 19. 13. Ro. 6. 12.
[e] Is. 32. 17.
[‡] *they shall have no stumbling-block.*
[f] Lu. 1. 74.
[g] Ge. 49. 18.
[h] Ps. 4. 6.
[i] Je. 9. 1. 14. 17. Exe. 9. 4.
[k] Je. 12. 1. Da. 9. 7.
[l] Ps. 19. 7 .9.
[§] *righteousness.*
‖ *faithfulness.*
[m] Ps. 69. 9. Joo. 2. 17.
[•] *cut me off.*
[n] Pr. 30. 5.
[†] *tried,* or, *refined.*

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173 Let thine hand help me; for [a] I have chosen thy precepts.
174 I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law *is* my delight.
175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.
176 [b] I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.

PSALM CXX. A Song of degrees.

IN [c] my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.
2 Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue.
3 What shall [d] be given unto thee? or what shall be [†] done unto thee, thou false tongue?
4 [‡] Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.
5 Woe is me, that I sojourn in [e] Mesech, [A] *that* I dwell in the tents of Kedar!
6 My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.
7 I *am* [§] *for* peace: but when I speak, they *are* for war.

PSALM CXXI. A Song of degrees.

I [‖] WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
3 He [m] will not suffer thy foot to be moved: [n] he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5 The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* [o] thy shade upon thy right hand.
6 The [p] sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

PSALM CXXII.

A Song of degrees of David.

I WAS glad when they said unto me, [q] Let us go into the house of the LORD.
2 Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
3 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is [r] compact together:
4 Whither [s] the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto [t] the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.
5 For [u] there [‖] are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.
7 Peace be within thy walls, *and* prosperity within thy palaces.
8 For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace *be* within thee.
9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will [v] seek thy good.

PSALM CXXIII. A Song of degrees.

UNTO thee [w] lift I up mine eyes, O thou that [x] dwellest in the heavens.
2 Behold, as the eyes of servants *look* unto the hand of their masters, *and* as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes *wait* upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.
3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.
4 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, *and* with the contempt of the proud.

[a] Lu. 10. 42.
[b] Lu. 15. 4, &c. 1 Pe. 2. 25.
[c] Ps. 120. 1.
[d] Pr. 1. 12.
[e] Jon. 2. 2.
[•] or, the deceitful tongue *give unto thee?* or, *what profit thee?*
[†] *added.*
[‡] or, It is as *the sharp arrows of the mighty man.*
[f] Ps. 91. 3. Pr. 6. 5.
[g] Ge. 10. 2. Eze. 27. 13.
[A] Ge. 25. 13. 1 Sa. 25. 1. Je. 49. 28, 29.
[i] Ps. 121. 2.
[k] Ps. 134. 3. Ge. 1. 1.
[§] or, a man *of peace.*
[‖] or, *Shall I lift up mine eyes to the hills? whence should my help come?* Je. 3. 23.
[l] Pr. 22. 8. Is. 11. 5.
[•] *wickedness.*
[m] 1 Sa. 2. 9.
[n] Is. 27. 3.
[o] Is. 25. 4.
[p] Re. 7. 16.
[r] Pr. 2. 15.
[s] Ga. 6. 16.
[†] *returned the returning of Zion* He. 6. 11. Joel 3. 1.
[t] Ac. 12. 9.
[u] Job 8. 21.
[v] Is. 2. 3. Zec. 6. 21.
[‡] *magnified to do with.*
[w] 2 Sa. 5. 2.
[x] Ex. 23. 17. De. 16. 16.
[a] Je. 31. 9, &c.
[a] Ex. 16. 34.
[§] or, *singing.*
[b] De. 17. 8. 2 Ch. 19. 8.
[‖] *do sit.*
[•] or, *seed basket.*
[†] or, *of.* Ps. 72, title.
[‡] that are *builders of it in it.*
[c] Ne. 2. 10.
[d] Ge. 3. 17, 19.
[e] Ps. 121. 1. 141. 8.
[f] Ps. 11. 4. 115. 3.
[g] Ge. 33. 5. 48. 4. Jos. 24. 3, 4.
[h] De. 28. 4.
[§] *filled his quiver with them.*
[i] Job 5. 4.
[‖] or, *subdue,* Ps. 18. 47. or, *destroy.*

PSALM CXXIV.

A Song of degrees of David.

IF *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, [a] now may Israel say:
2 If *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us:
3 Then they had [b] swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us:
4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:
5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.
6 Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath not given us *as a* prey to their teeth.
7 Our soul is escaped [c] as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.
8 Our [d] help is in the name of the LORD, who [e] made heaven and earth.

PSALM CXXV. A Song of degrees.

THEY that trust in the LORD *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot be removed, *but* abideth for ever.
2 *As* the mountains *are* round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round about his people from henceforth even for ever.
3 For [f] the rod of [•] the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.
4 Do good, O LORD, unto *those that be* good, and to *them that are* upright in their hearts.
5 *As for* such as turn aside unto their [g] crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: *but* [h] peace *shall be* upon Israel.

PSALM CXXVI. A Song of degrees.

WHEN the LORD [†] turned again the captivity of Zion, [i] we were like them that dream.
2 Then [k] was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath [l] done great things for them.
3 The LORD hath done great things for us; *whereof* we are glad.
4 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.
5 They [m] that sow in tears shall reap in [§] joy.
6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing [•] precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves *with him.*

[a] Ps. 118. 2.
[b] Nu. 16. 30, 33.
[c] Ps. 91. 3. Pr. 6. 5.
[d] Ps. 121. 2.
[e] Ge. 1. 1.
[f] Ps. 11. 4. 115. 3.
[g] Ge. 33. 5. 48. 4. Jos. 24. 3, 4.
[h] De. 28. 4.
[§] *filled his quiver with them.*
[i] Job 5. 4.
[‖] or, *subdue,* Ps. 18. 47. or, *destroy.*
[•] *wickedness.*
[g] Ps. 125. 5.
[h] Ps. 128. 6.
[†] *returned the returning of Zion* He. 6. 11. Joel 3. 1.
[i] Ac. 12. 9.
[k] Job 8. 21.
[l] Is. 2. 3. Zec. 6. 21.
[m] Ps. 129. 7.
[§] or, *singing.*
[•] or, *seed basket.*

PSALM CXXVII.

A Song of degrees † for Solomon.

EXCEPT the LORD build the house, they labour in vain [‡] that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh *but* in vain.
2 *It is* vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to [d] eat the bread of sorrows: *for* so he giveth his beloved sleep.
3 Lo, [§] children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* [h] the fruit of the womb *is his* reward.
4 As arrows *are* in the hand of a mighty man; so *are* children of the youth.
5 Happy *is* the man that hath [§] his quiver full of them: [i] they shall not be ashamed, but they shall [‖] speak with the enemies in the gate.

[a] Ps. 118. 2.
[b] Nu. 16. 30, 33.
[c] Ps. 91. 3. Pr. 6. 5.
[d] Ps. 121. 2.
[e] Ge. 1. 1.
[f] Ps. 11. 4. 115. 3.
[g] Ge. 33. 5. 48. 4. Jos. 24. 3, 4.
[h] De. 28. 4.
[§] *filled his quiver with them.*
[i] Job 5. 4.
[‖] or, *subdue,* Ps. 18. 47. or, *destroy.*
[•] *wickedness.*
[g] Ps. 125. 5.
[h] Ps. 128. 6.
[†] *returned the returning of Zion* He. 6. 11. Joel 3. 1.
[i] Ac. 12. 9.
[k] Job 8. 21.
[l] Is. 2. 3. Zec. 6. 21.
[m] Ps. 129. 7.
[§] or, *singing.*
[•] or, *seed basket.*
[d] Ge. 3. 17, 19.
[e] Ps. 121. 1. 141. 8.
[‡] that are *builders of it in it.*
[c] Ne. 2. 10.

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PSALM CXXVIII. A Song of degrees.

BLESSED *is every* one that [a] feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways.

2 For [c] thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy *shalt* thou *be*, and *it shall be* well with thee.

3 Thy wife *shall be* [e] as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.

4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.

5 The [g] LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

6 Yea, thou shalt [i] see thy children's children, *and* peace upon Israel.

PSALM CXXIX. A Song of degrees.

MANY [l] a time have they afflicted me from [i] my youth, may Israel now say:

2 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth: yet they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed upon my back: they made long their furrows.

4 The LORD *is* righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.

5 Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.

6 Let them be as [o] the grass *upon* the housetops, which withereth afore it groweth up:

7 Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand; nor he that bindeth sheaves his bosom.

8 Neither do they which go by say, [r] The blessing of the LORD *be* upon you: we bless you in the name of the LORD.

PSALM CXXX. A Song of degrees.

OUT [n] of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.

2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

3 If [n] thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?

4 But *there is* [p] forgiveness with thee, that [b] thou mayest be feared.

5 I [c] wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.

6 My soul *waiteth* for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: † *I say, more than* they that watch for the morning.

7 Let Israel hope in the LORD: for [f] with the LORD *there is* mercy, and with him *is* plenteous redemption.

8 And [g] he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

PSALM CXXXI.
A Song of degrees of David.

LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: [i] neither do I [§] exercise myself in great matters, or in things too [l] high for me.

2 Surely I have behaved and quieted [s] myself, [i] as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul *is* even as a weaned child.

3 Let [a] Israel hope in the LORD † from henceforth and for ever.

PSALM CXXXII. A Song of degrees.

LORD, remember David, *and* all his afflictions:

2 How he sware unto the LORD, *and* vowed unto [F] the mighty *God* of Jacob;

3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed;

4 I will [i] not give sleep to mine eyes, *or* slumber to mine eyelids,

5 Until I [e] find out a place for the LORD, [e] an habitation *for* the mighty *God* of Jacob.

6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah: [e] we found it in the fields of the wood.

7 We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his footstool.

8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.

9 Let thy priests [f] be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.

10 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

11 The [k] LORD hath sworn *in* truth unto David; he will not turn from it; [k] Of the fruit of † thy body will I set upon thy throne.

12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired *it* for his habitation.

14 This *is* my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

15 I will [§] abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

16 I [m] will also clothe her priests with salvation: [m] and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

17 There [F] will I make the horn of David to bud: [r] I have ordained a [l] lamp for mine anointed.

18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

PSALM CXXXIII.
A Song of degrees of David.

BEHOLD, how good and how pleasant *it is* for [a] brethren to dwell [e] together in unity!

2 *It is* like [y] the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, *even* Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

3 As the dew of [y] Hermon, *and as the dew* that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for [z] there the LORD commanded the blessing, *even* life for evermore.

PSALM CXXXIV. A Song of degrees.

BEHOLD, bless ye the LORD, all *ye* servants of the LORD, [d] which by night stand in the house of the LORD.

2 Lift [e] up your hands *in* the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

3 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

PSALM CXXXV.

PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD; praise *him*, O ye servants of the LORD.

2 Ye [k] that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,

3 Praise the LORD; for [b] the LORD *is* good: sing praises unto his name; for *it is* pleasant.

4 For [m] the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, *and* Israel for his peculiar treasure.

5 For I know that the LORD *is* great, and *that* our Lord *is* above all gods.

6 Whatsoever the LORD pleased, *that* did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

7 He [e] causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; [r] he maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his [e] treasuries.

8 Who [w] smote the firstborn of Egypt, ‡ both of man and beast.

[a] Ac. 7. 46.
[b] Lu. 1. 50.
[c] *habitations*
[d] 1 Sa. 7. 1.
[e] Is. 3. 10.
[f] Ese. 19. 10.
[g] Job 29. 14. Is. 61. 10.
[h] Ps. 131. 3.
[i] Ps. 110. 4.
[k] Ge. 50. 23. Job 42. 16.
[l] 2 Sa. 7. 12. 1 Ki. 8. 25. 2 Ch. 6. 16. Lu. 1. 69. Ac. 2. 30.
† *thy belly.*
‡ or, *Much.*
[i] Ere. 23. 3. Ho. 2. 15. 11. 1.
[§] or, *surely.*
[m] 2 Ch. 6. 41.
[n] Ho. 11. 12.
[o] Ps. 37. 2.
[p] Ese. 29. 21.
[r] 1 Ki. 11. 36.
‖ or, *candle.*
[s] Ru. 2. 4.
[t] Ge. 13. 8. He. 13. 1.
[u] *even together.*
[w] La. 3. 55. Jon. 2. 2. Ex. 20. 25. 30
[x] Ps. 143. 2. Ro. 3. 20. 23. 34.
[y] De. 4. 48.
[z] Ex. 34. 7.
[a] Le. 25. 21. De. 28. 8.
[b] Ps. 2. 11. 1 Ki. 8. 40. Je. 33. 8, 9.
[c] Is. 8. 17. 26. 8. Ro. 8. 24, 25.
[d] 1 Ch. 9. 33.
† or, *which watch unto the morning.*
[e] 1 Ti. 2. 8.
‡ or, *holiness.*
[f] Is. 55. 7.
[g] Ps. 103. 3, 4. Mat. 1. 21. Ro. 6. 14. Tit. 2. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[h] Lu. 2. 37.
[i] Ro. 12. 16.
§ *walk.*
‖ *wonderful.* Ps. 139. 6. Job 42. 3.
[k] Ps. 119. 68.
[l] *my soul.*
[m] Mat. 18. 3. 1 Co. 14. 20.
[n] Ex. 19. 5. De. 7. 6, 7. 10. 15.
[o] Ps. 130. 7.
† *from now.*
[p] Je. 10. 13. 51. 16.
[r] Ge. 49. 24.
[s] Zec. 10. 1.
[t] Job 38. 22.
[u] Pr. 6. 4.
[w] Ex. 12. 12, 29.
‡ *from man unto beast.*

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9 *Who* [a] sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, [b] upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.

10 Who [d] smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;

11 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and [e] all the kingdoms of Canaan.

12 And gave their land *for* an heritage, an heritage unto Israel his people.

13 Thy / name, O LORD, *endureth* for ever; *and* thy memorial, O LORD, [*] throughout all generations.

14 For [g] the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.

15 The [i] idols of the heathen *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

16 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not;

17 They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there *any* breath in their mouths.

18 They that make them are like unto them: *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

19 Bless [k] the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of Aaron:

20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

21 Blessed be the LORD [m] out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXXXVI.

O GIVE thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: [r] for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

2 O give thanks unto [s] the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

3 O give thanks to [u] the Lord of lords: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 To him [v] who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

5 To [y] him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

6 To [a] him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

7 To him that [b] made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

8 The [c] sun § to rule by day: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

9 The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

10 To [d] him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

11 And [e] brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

12 With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

13 To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

14 And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

15 But [g] overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

16 To [i] him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

17 To [m] him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

18 And [o] slew famous kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

19 Sihon [p] king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

20 And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

21 And [q] gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

22 *Even* an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

23 Who [r] remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

24 And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

PSALM CXXXVII.

BY the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, [h] we wept, when we remembered Zion.

2 We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.

3 For there they that carried us away captive required of us † a song; and they that † wasted us *required of us* mirth, *saying*, Sing us *one* of the songs of Zion.

4 How shall we sing the LORD's song in a § strange land?

5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget *her cunning*.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above ‖ my chief joy.

7 Remember, O LORD, [t] the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem; who said, [*] Rase *it*, rase *it*, *even* to the foundation thereof.

8 O daughter of Babylon, [w] who art to be † destroyed; happy *shall he be*, [x] that ‡ rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.

9 Happy *shall he be*, that taketh and [y] dasheth thy little ones against § the stones.

PSALM CXXXVIII.

A Psalm of David.

I WILL praise thee with my whole heart: [a] before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast [c] magnified thy word above all thy name.

3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, *and* strengthenedst me *with* strength in my soul.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

6 Though [e] the LORD *be* high, yet *hath* he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

8 The [h] LORD'[*] will perfect *that which* concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, *endureth* for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

PSALM CXXXIX.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

O LORD, [k] thou hast searched me, and known *me*.

2 Thou [l] knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou [m] understandest my thought afar off.

3 Thou † compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted *with* all my ways.

4 For *there is* not a word in my tongue, *but*, lo, O LORD, [r] thou knowest it altogether.

5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

[a] Ex. VII..XIV.
[b] Ps. 135. 15.
[d] Ps. 113. 7. Ge. 8. 1. De. 32. 36.
[e] Nu. 21. 24.. 26,34,35.
[g] Jos. 12. 7.
[i] Ps. 102. 12. Ex. 3. 15.
[*] *to generation and generation*
[k] De. 32. 36.
[m] Lu. 19. 41.
[r] Ps.115.4..8. Is.44.9..20. 46. 6, 7. Ac. 17. 29.
† *the words of a song.*
‡ *laid us on heaps.*
§ *land of a stranger.*
[s] Ps. 115. 9, &c.
‖ *the head of my joy.*
[t] Ob. 10, &c.
[u] Ps. 134. 3.
[*] *Make bare.*
[v] Is. 47. 1. Je. 25. 12.
† *wasted.*
[w] Je.50.15,29 Re. 18. 6.
[x] Ps. 108. 1.
‡ *recompenseth unto thee thy deed which thou didst to us.*
[y] Lu. 1. 50.
[a] De. 10. 17. Jude 21.
[b] Is. 13. 16.
§ *the rock.*
[c] 1 Ti. 6. 15. Re. 19. 16.
[e] Re. 15. 3.
[g] Ps. 119. 46.
[h] Ge. 1. 1. Pr. 3. 19. Je. 51. 15.
[i] Ge. 1. 9. Je. 10. 12. 2 Pe. 3. 5.
[k] Is. 42. 21.
[l] Ge. 1. 14.
[m] Mat. 5. 45.
‖ *for the ruling.*
[o] Ps. 135. 8. Ex. 12. 29.
[p] Is. 57. 15.
[q] Jos. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[r] Ex.13.3,17.
[h] Phi. 1. 6.
[*] *shaked off.*
[k] Ex. 13. 18. 15. 22.
[l] Je. 19. 3.
[m] 2 Ki. 19. 37.
[n] Ps. 135. 10, 11.
[o] Mat. 9. 4. Jno.2.24,25
[p] De. 29. 7.
† or, *environest.*
[q] Nu.21.21,33
[r] Ho. 4. 13.
[s] Jos.12.1,&c

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6 *Such* [a] knowledge *is* too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot *attain* unto it.
7 Whither [c] shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
8 If [d] I ascend up into heaven, thou *art* there: [e] if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there*.
9 *If* I take the wings of the morning, *and* dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.
11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.
12 Yea, *f* the darkness ‡ hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: § the darkness and the light *are* both alike *to thee*.
13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made: marvellous *are* thy works; and *that* my soul knoweth [a] right well.
15 My † substance [i] was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, *and* curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
16 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all ‡ *my members* were written, § *which* in continuance were fashioned, when *as yet there was* none of them.
17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!
18 *If* I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.
19 Surely thou wilt [m] slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.
20 For they [p] speak against thee wickedly, *and* thine enemies take *thy name* in vain.
21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?
22 I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.
23 Search [r] me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:
24 And see if *there be any* ‡ wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

PSALM CXL.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

DELIVER me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the ‖ violent man;
2 Which imagine mischiefs in *their* heart; continually are they gathered together *for* war.
3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; [t] adders' poison *is* under their lips. Selah.
4 Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.
5 The [v] proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.
6 I said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD.
7 O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.
8 Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; [x] *lest* [b] they exalt themselves. Selah.
9 *As for* the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.
10 Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again.
11 Let not † an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow *him*.
12 I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, *and* the right of the poor.
13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence.

PSALM CXLI. A Psalm of David.

LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.
2 Let [f] my prayer be ‖ set forth before thee *as* incense; *and* [h] the lifting up of my hands *as* [h] the evening sacrifice.
3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.
4 Incline not my heart to *any* evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: [i] and let me not eat of their dainties.
5 Let [m] the righteous ‖ smite me; *it shall be* a kindness: and let him reprove me; *it shall be* an excellent oil, *which* shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also *shall be* in their calamities.
6 When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.
7 Our bones are scattered [o] at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth *wood* upon the earth.
8 But mine eyes *are* unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; [p] leave not my soul destitute.
9 Keep me from the snares *which* they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.
10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal † escape.

PSALM CXLII.

§ Maschil of David; A Prayer [r] when he was in the cave.

I CRIED unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.
2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.
3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.
4 [s] I looked on *my* right hand, and beheld, but *there was* no man that would know me: refuge † failed me; no man ‡ cared for my soul.
5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my refuge *and* [u] my portion in the land of the living.
6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.
7 Bring my [x] soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

PSALM CXLIII. A Psalm of David.

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, give ear to

[a] Job 42. 3.
[c] or, *let them not be exalted.*
[b] De. 32. 27.
[d] Je. 23. 24.
[e] Am. 9. 2. 4.
[f] Pr. 15. 11.
[t] *a man of tongue*, or, *an evil speaker, a wicked man of violence, be established in the earth: let him be hunted to his overthrow.*
[f] He. 4. 13.
‡ *darkeneth not.*
§ *as is the darkness, so is the light.*
[g] Re. 5. 8. 8. 3. 4.
‖ *directed.*
[a] *greatly.*
[h] 1 Ti. 2. 8.
† or, *strength* or, *body.*
[i] Job 10. 8, 9. Ec. 11. 5.
[k] Ex. 29. 39.
‡ *of them.*
[l] Pr. 23. 6.
§ or, what *days they should be fashioned.*
[m] Ge. 6. 1.
‖ or, *smite me kindly, and reprove me; let not* their *precious oil break my head, &c.*
[n] Is. 11. 4.
[o] 2 Co. 1. 9.
[p] Jude 15.
[e] *make not my soul bare.*
† *pass over.*
[r] Job 31. 6.
‡ *way of pain*, or, *grief.*
§ or, A Psalm *of David, giving instruction.*
[s] 1 Sa. 22. 1. 24. 3.
‖ *man of violences.*
[t] Ro. 3. 13.
[v] or, *Look on the right hand, and see.*
† *perished from me.*
‡ *sought after.*
[x] La. 3. 24.
[u] Je. 18. 22.
[x] Is. 61. 1. Ac. 2. 24.

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my supplications: [a] in thy faithfulness answer me, *and* in thy righteousness.

2 And [b] enter not into judgment with thy servant: for [c] in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.

4 Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate.

5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul *thirsteth* after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

7 Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, [†] lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

8 Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness [d] in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I [||] flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach [e] me to do thy will; for thou *art* my God: [f] thy spirit *is* good; lead me into [m] the land of uprightness.

11 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

12 And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I *am* thy servant.

PSALM CXLIV. *A Psalm of David.*

BLESSED *be* the LORD [‡] my strength, [P] which teacheth my hands [§] to war, *and* my fingers to fight:

2 [g] My [r] goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and *he* in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.

3 LORD, [s] what *is* man, that thou takest knowledge of him! *or* the son of man, that thou makest account of him!

4 Man [n] is like to vanity: [o] his days *are* as a shadow that passeth away.

5 Bow [p] thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.

7 Send thine hand from above; [h] rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of [t] strange children;

8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

10 *It is he* that giveth [u] salvation unto kings: who delivereth David his servant from the hurtful sword.

11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood:

12 That our sons *may be* [‡] as plants grown up in their youth; *that* our daughters *may be* as corner stones, [†] polished *after the* similitude of a palace:

13 *That* our garners *may be* full, affording [‡] all manner of store: *that* our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:

14 *That* our oxen *may be* [§] strong to labour; *that there be* no breaking in, nor going out; that *there be* no complaining in our streets.

15 Happy [i] *is that* people, that is in such a case: *yea*, happy *is that* people, whose God *is* the LORD.

[a] Ps. 31. 1.
[b] Job 14. 3.
[c] Ps. 33. 12. 65. 4. 146. 5. De. 33. 29.
[d] Ex. 34. 7. Ec. 7. 20. Ro. 3. 20. Ga. 2. 16.
[e] Job 5. 9. 9. 10. Ro. 11. 33.
[f] *of his greatness there is no search.*
[†] Is. 38. 19.
[‡] or, *for I am become like, &c.*
[P] Ps. 86. 4.
[g] *things*, or, *words.*
[§] *declare it.*
[d] Ps. 46. 5.
[h] Ps. 103. 8. Ex. 34. 6, 7.
[||] *hide me with thee.*
[e] *great in mercy.*
[f] Ps. 139. 24.
[h] Ne. 9. 20.
[i] Nu. 1. 7.
[m] Is. 26. 10.
[n] Ps. 19. 1.
[o] Ps. 146. 10. 1 Ti. 1. 17.
[†] *a kingdom of all ages.*
[‡] *my rock.* Ps. 18. 2, 31.
[P] 2 Sa. 22. 35.
[§] *to the war, &c.*
[||] or, *My mercy.*
[r] 2 Sa. 22. 2, 3, 47, 48.
[s] or, *look unto thee.*
[t] Ps. 104. 21. 147. 9.
[t] Ps. 8. 4. Job 7. 17. He. 2. 6.
[†] or, *merciful*, or, *bountiful.*
[n] Ps. 39. 5. Job 4. 19. 14. 2.
[o] Ps. 102. 11.
[p] De. 4. 7.
[p] Is. 64. 1.
[q] Jno. 4. 24.
[s] Ps. 31. 23. 97. 10.
[t] *hands.*
[h] Ps. 69. 1, 2, 14.
[u] Ps. 54. 3. Mal. 2. 11.
[§] *Hallah.*
[||] or, *victory.*
[d] Is. 2. 22.
[u] or, *salvation.*
[‡] Ec. 12. 7.
[†] 1 Co. 2. 6.
[‡] Ps. 144. 3.
[h] Je. 17. 7. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[†] *cut.*
[i] Ro. 14. 7.
[‡] *from kind to kind.*
[§] *able to bear burdens*, or, *loaden with flesh.*

PSALM CXLV.

David's *Psalm of praise.*

I WILL extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

3 Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised; [c] and [a] his greatness *is* unsearchable.

4 One *generation* shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.

5 I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.

6 And *men* shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will [§] declare thy greatness.

7 They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.

8 The [h] LORD *is* gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and [e] of great mercy.

9 The [i] LORD *is* good to all: and his tender mercies *are* over all his works.

10 All [m] thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.

11 They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

13 Thy [a] kingdom *is* [†] an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion *endureth* throughout all generations.

14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all *those that be* bowed down.

15 The eyes of all [o] wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand, [s] and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

17 The LORD *is* righteous in all his ways, and [†] holy in all his works.

18 The [p] LORD *is* nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him [n] in truth.

19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

20 The [o] LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.

21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

PSALM CXLVI.

PRAISE [§] ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

2 While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.

3 Put [d] not your trust in princes, *nor* in the son of man, in whom *there is* no [u] help.

4 His [e] breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

5 Happy [h] *is he* that *hath* the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God:

6 Which [i] made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein *is*: which keepeth truth for ever:

7 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:

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8 The [a] LORD openeth *the eyes of* the blind: [b]the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:
9 The [c] LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.
10 The [d] LORD shall reign for ever, *even* thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXLVII.

PRAISE ye the LORD: for *it is* good to sing praises unto our God; for *it is* pleasant; *and* praise is comely.
2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.
3 He [e] healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their [†] wounds.
4 He [f] telleth the number *of the stars*; he calleth them all by *their* names.
5 Great *is* our Lord, and of [g] great power: [§] his [h] understanding *is* infinite.
6 The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.
7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:
8 Who [i] covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.
9 He [j] giveth to the beast his food, *and* [k] to the young ravens which cry.
10 He [l] delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.
11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.
12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.
13 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.
14 ‖ He [m] maketh peace *in* thy borders, *and* filleth thee with the [§] finest of the wheat.
15 He [n]sendeth forth his commandment *upon* earth: his word runneth very swiftly.
16 He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.
17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?
18 He [o] sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.
19 He [p] sheweth his [q]word unto Jacob, [r] his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.
20 He [s] hath not dealt so with any nation: and *as for his* judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXLVIII.

PRAISE [‡] ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.
2 Praise [t] ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.
3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.
4 Praise him, [u] ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that *be* above the heavens.
5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for [v]he commanded, and they were created.
6 He *hath* also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.
7 Praise the LORD from the earth, [w] ye dragons, and all deeps:
8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapours; stormy wind fulfilling his word:
9 Mountains, [x] and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:
10 Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and [y] flying fowl:
11 Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:
12 Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:
13 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for [z]his name alone is [†] excellent; his glory *is* above the earth and heaven.
14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; *even* of the children of Israel, [a] a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXLIX.

PRAISE [‖] ye the LORD. [b] Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise in the congregation of saints.
2 Let Israel rejoice in [c]him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their [d] King.
3 Let them praise his name [e] in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.
4 For [f] the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he [g] will beautify the meek with salvation.
5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.
6 *Let the high praises* of God *be* in their [†] mouth, and [h] a twoedged sword in their hand;
7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, *and* punishments upon the people;
8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;
9 To [i] execute upon them the judgment written: [j] this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CL.

PRAISE [‖] ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.
2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent [k] greatness.
3 Praise him with the sound of the [†] trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.
4 Praise him with the timbrel and [§] dance: praise him with [l] stringed instruments and organs.
5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
6 Let [m]every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

[a] Mat. 9. 30. Joh. 9. 7. 32
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 27. 2 Co. 12. 2.
[c] Lu. 13. 13.
[d] De. 10. 18.
[e] Ge. 1. 1, 6.
[f] Jo. 31. 35. 36. 38. 22.
[g] Ex. 15. 16. Re. 11. 15.
[h] Is. 43. 20.
[i] Is. 55. 12.
[k] *birds of wing.*
[l] Ps. 51. 17. Is. 57. 15. 61. 1. Lu. 4. 18.
[†] *griefs.*
[m] Ge. 15. 5. Is. 40. 26.
[n] Ps. 8. 1. Is. 12. 4.
[‡] *exalted.*
[o] Na. 1. 3.
[§] *of his understanding* there is *no number.*
[p] Is. 40. 28.
[P] Ep. 2. 17.
[q] Joh 38. 36, 37
[‖] *Hallelujah.*
[r] Is. 42. 10.
[s] Job 38. 41.
[t] Ps. 100. 3. Joh 35. 10. Is. 54. 5.
[u] Mat. 6. 26.
[x] Ho. 1. 7.
[y] Zec. 9. 9. Mat. 21. 5.
[z] or, *with the pipe.*
[a] Ps. 35. 27. Pr. 11. 20. Is. 62. 4, 5.
[b] He. 12. 10. 1 Pe. 3. 4. Re. 7. 14.
[†] *throat.*
[c] He. 4. 12. Re. 1. 16.
[‡] *Who maketh thy border peace.*
[d] Is. 60. 17, 18.
[§] *fat of wheat*
[e] De. 32. 14.
[f] Ps. 107. 20.
[g] De. 7. 1, 2.
[h] Ps. 68. 14.
[i] Joh 37. 10.
[‖] *Hallelujah.*
[j] De. 33. 2..4.
[k] *words.*
[l] Mat. 4. 4.
[m] De. 3. 24.
[n] De. 4. 32. 34 Ro. 3. 1, 2.
[†] or, *cornet.* Ps. 98. 6.
[‡] *Hallelujah.*
[§] or, *pipe.*
[t] Is. 24. 20.
[u] Ps. 103. 20.
[v] Phi. 2. 10. Re. 5. 13.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Ps. XXI.—EASTERN CROWNS. Crown, as understood among us, is the cap of state worn by sovereign princes, and indicating their imperial or royal dignity. But crowns were less exclusively worn by sovereigns among the ancients than among modern nations, and the term crown was applied to what we should call a coronet, a band, a mitre, a tiara, or a garland. The crown was originally a simple fillet fastened round the head. This became established as a regal distinction, and was general among all nations. The crown by degrees assumed many forms. From the simple fillet of about two inches broad, it was multiplied into several bands, perhaps indicative of authority over as many kingdoms; or this might possibly be expressed

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by the points, turrets, and circular, or rather semi-circular, ornaments often used, and seen as taken from coins representing ancient crowns. The terms which we carefully distinguish are evidently blended in Scripture. It is thought that the Hebrew crown was of gold set with jewels. The crown which David took from the king of the Amorites was of this description, and this he afterwards himself wore, as did probably his successors. Crowns of yet more ancient date are found among the Egyptian sculptures, and these had more of the resemblance of helmets: they seem to have been, made of metal, or cloth, or both united. The crowns of which our artist has given some specimens are all Asiatic, and of a comparatively modern shape. An opinion has been expressed, that the modern crowns are most probably the nearest resemblance to those worn in the days of the Jewish monarchs, for the domination and example of the Greeks and Romans had a great influence on some of the customs of the East, while their power continued; but those powers having ceased, their influence ceased, and there was a return to some of the original fashions. What were called crowns were also worn at marriages, and other feasts and festivals, and given as rewards to the conquerors in the Grecian games, to which the apostle Paul especially makes various references. Crown is figuratively used to signify honour; hence, says the apostle to the Philippians, "Ye are my joy and my crown." The Christian looks by faith for a crown of far higher dignity than any that earth can bestow—"a crown of glory that fadeth not away." "Hold fast that thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

Fs. XXIX.—LEBANON. This is a famous mountain to the north of Canaan, and in the south of Syria. It is reckoned 300 miles in circumference, and consists of two ranges, Libanus and Anti-Libanus. Lebanon, or Libanus proper, is the western ridge, reaching within a few miles of the Mediterranean. Anti-Libanus, the eastern ridge, curves towards Damascus, and there is an extensive district between these ridges, the valley of Lebanon, called Coele-Syria. The western range is the highest, and reaches an elevation of 9000 feet. It is crowned with snow. Beneath this are numerous orchards and vines, but the next descent is barren, while its foot is highly fertile in grain, and every inch of ground is cultivated by the industrious Druses who inhabit it. The view from Lebanon is sublime, extending over the desert to the Persian gulf, and over the sea which bathes the coasts of Europe. Here other mountains far beneath appear like the furrows of a ploughed field, and every object, before grand and impressive, becomes diminutive. Such is the view the dying believer takes of the world, when he rises by faith to an elevation which overlooks "that good land which is yet afar off," while

> 'He treads the world beneath his feet,
> And all that earth calls good and great.'

The name Lebanon is derived from its whiteness, which it signifies. Some say because of its snow-clad tops, but others, on account of its continually white appearance, being chiefly composed of lime-stone. Lebanon is renowned for its cedars, of which a description will be given in another place. See Solomon's Song.

Fs. LVI.—LACHRYMATORIES, or tear-bottles, were vessels made of earth or glass, used by the Romans; and probably the psalmist here alludes to a widespread custom among the ancients. It is related that when the grave of M. Tullius Cicero was dug up in the island of Zacynthus, A.D. 1544, there were found in it two glass urns: the larger contained ashes, the lesser water. The one was supposed to contain his ashes, and the other the tears of his friends. At the Roman funerals one went to each person at the height of his grief, having a piece of cotton, with which he carefully collected the fallen tears, and then squeezed them into a bottle or lachrymatory. These were buried with the ashes, or in the urns. Our artist has several in his collection, of which he has made use in our representation. Bishop Hall rejects this allusion, as the bottle here was of skin; in which case it simply means, 'treasure up my tears.' God notices the griefs of his people.

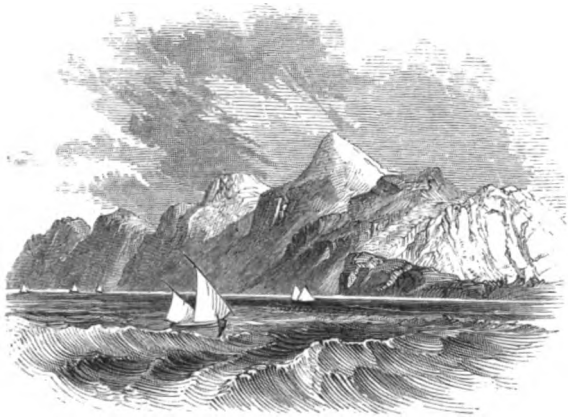
Fs. XCII.—PALM TREES. The palm tree is one of the most valuable productions of the East. It is sometimes called the date tree, and though so precious it is common. 'It is an upright, tall, fruit-bearing, and shadowy tree. It grows by the sweet springs of water, and continues long. It will not be pressed, or bound downward, or grow crooked, though heavy weights be laid on it. On account of its peculiar properties, it is the usual emblem of constancy, fruitfulness, patience, and victory, which the more it is oppressed, the more it flourishes.' The leaves, when the stalk has grown to a size for bearing fruit, are six or eight feet long, and very broad when spread out. The fruit, which is called date, grows beneath the leaves in clusters, and is of a sweet and agreeable taste. The natives have reckoned three hundred and sixty uses to which the trunk, the branches, the leaves, the juice, and the fruit, were skilfully applied. The palm tree supplies *fruit* to a considerable part of the inhabitants of Egypt, of Arabia, and of Persia. They boast much also of its medicinal virtues. The *stone* of the fruit affords much food for the camels. With the *leaves* they make couches, baskets, bags, mats, and brushes, and they are used for covering the tops of houses and other buildings. Of their *branches* they make cages for their poultry, and fences for their gardens. The *fibres* of the boughs are used for thread, ropes, and rigging. The sap furnishes a spirituous liquor, a wine much used in the East, and a kind of honey little inferior to that of the bee: from this indeed, after fermentation, is extracted the strong wine, or *arrakey*. It is also said, that from one variety of the palm tree, the *phenix dactylifera*, meal has been extracted, which is found among the fibres of the trunk, and has been used for food. The palm is crowned at the top with a large tuft of spiring leaves, about four feet long, which never fall off, but always continue in the same flourishing verdure. The tree is said to be in its greatest vigour about thirty years after it is planted, and continues in full vigour seventy years longer, bearing all this while, every year, about three or four hundred pounds weight of dates. The trunk of this tree is remarkably straight and lofty, and its erect and slender form is used by Solomon to describe the elegance of the spouse, Cant. vii. 7. A branch of the palm was usually carried before conquerors, as a signal of victory, and bore a conspicuous place in the triumphs of the ancients: see also, in further illustration, Rev. vii. 9; and Jno. xii. 13. On account of the high value set upon the palm by the Israelites, and its extensive cultivation in their country, it was in after times made the emblem of Judea, as may be seen in a medal of the emperor Vespasian, upon the conquest of Judea, which represents a captive woman sitting under a palm tree, with this inscription, JUDEA CAPTA. Jericho was renowned as the "city of palms," and Dr. Shaw remarks, 'that though these trees are now neither plentiful or fruitful in other parts of the Holy Land, yet there are several of them at Jericho, where there is the convenience they require of being often watered; where, likewise, the climate is warm, and the soil sandy, or such as they thrive and delight in.' As the palm tree is an evergreen, which to attain perfection requires a hot climate, with a soil, sandy, yet humid and somewhat nitrous, its favourite place is along the rivers which border the hot and sandy deserts, and beside old wells in the very heart of the desert itself; a circumstance which renders the distant prospect of it a delight to the wanderer in those parched regions, from the hope or assurance of water which it conveys. The trees found in the desert under such circumstances are supposed to have sprung up from dates thrown away by the travellers who usually stop where water is found for refreshment and rest. When we know all the characteristics of the palm tree, its beauty and its value, how finely it illustrates the comparison of the psalmist, "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree!"

Fs. CXIX.—LEATHERN BOTTLES. Bottles of various kinds were used among the ancient eastern people, but we do not discriminate in reading the Scriptures, we are likely to be confused, or wholly to misunderstand what we read. We must be puzzled at the "old and rent" wine bottles of the Gibeonites; nor can we perceive why new bottles should hold wine, rather than old, as our Lord represents, Matt. ix. 17. The ancient nations had bottles or vases made of glass and of metals, and various sorts of skilfully prepared earth, discoveries of which have been made in Egypt. But the first and most natural sort of bottles were probably those made of the skins of animals, and sewn together. Every part of these was carefully sewn up, excepting the neck, by which the wine was received and poured out. Skins are still most extensively used for water throughout all western Asia. E. Iberts informs us, in his 'Oriental Illustrations,' that some medicinal oils, &c., are kept very long in skin bottles, as lard is by us in bladders; these bottles are hung in the smoke, which blackens and shrivels them. This fully explains Ps. cxix. 83. How often does 'man's beauty consume under God's rebukes!'

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EASTERN CROWNS.—*East India Museum.*—Psalm xxi. 3.



LEBANON FROM THE SEA.—*La Borde.*—Psalm xxix.

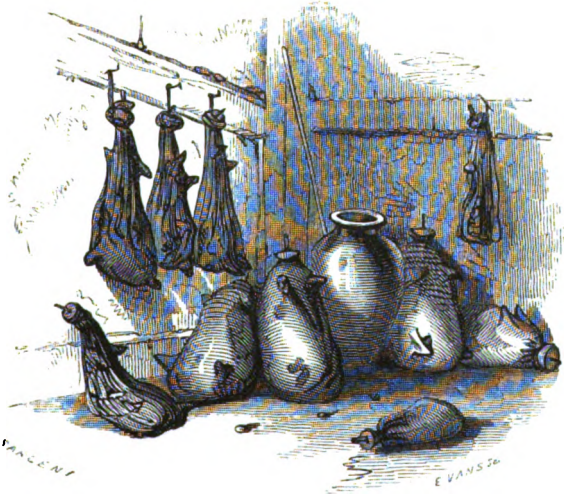


LACHRYMATORIES.—*From Specimens.*—Ps. lvi. 8.

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PALM TREES.—*Original Drawing.*—Ps. xc. 12.



LEATHERN BOTTLES.—*From Specimens.*—Ps. cxix. 83.

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The PROVERBS.

Or, wise sayings, chiefly of Solomon.

CHAP. I.

THE [a] proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and [†] equity;

4 To give subtilty to the [d] simple, to the young man knowledge and [‡] discretion.

5 A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

6 To understand a proverb, and [§] the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their [f] dark sayings.

7 ¶ The fear of the LORD *is* [‖] the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

9 For [i] they *shall be* an [†] ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

10 ¶ My son, if sinners entice thee, [l] consent thou not.

11 If they say, Come with us, let us [m] lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:

12 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:

13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:

14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

15 My son, [n] walk not thou in the way with them; [o] refrain thy foot from their path:

16 For [p] their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.

17 Surely in vain the net is spread in the [‡] sight of any bird.

18 And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives.

19 So [q] *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

20 ¶ [§] Wisdom [s] crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:

21 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the *gates*: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*,

22 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, [d] I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

24 ¶ Because [e] I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

25 But ye [f] have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;

27 When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

28 Then [i] shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

29 For that they [l] hated knowledge, and did not [e] choose the fear of the LORD:

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[a] Ps. 61. 11.
[b] 1 Ki. 4. 32. Ec. 12. 9.
[c] Job 4. 8. Is. 3. 11. Je. 6. 19.
[d] or, *ease of.*
[†] *equities.*
[d] ch. 9. 4.
[‡] or, *advisement.*
[e] Ps. 112. 7.
[§] or, *an eloquent speech.*
[f] ch. 7. 1.
[‖] Ps. 78. 2.
[‖] or, *the principal part.*
[g] *givest.*
[h] ch. 3. 14. Mat. 13. 44.
[i] ch. 3. 22.
[†] *adding.*
[k] 1 Ki. 3. 9, 12. Ja. 1. 5.
[l] Ge. 39. 7, &c Ep. 5. 11.
[m] Je. 5. 26.
[n] Ps. 84. 11.
[o] 1 Sa. 2. 9. Ps. 66. 9.
[p] Ps. 1. 1.
[q] Ps. 119. 101.
[r] ch. 6. 22.
[s] Is. 59. 7. Ro. 3. 15.
[‡] *eyes of every thing that hath a wing.*
[t] Jno. 3. 19, 20
[u] Je. 11. 15.
[x] Ro. 1. 32.
[y] 1 Ti. 6. 10.
[z] Ps. 125. 5.
[§] *Wisdoms*, that is, *excellent wisdom.*
[a] Jno. 7. 37.
[b] ch. 5. 20.
[c] Mal. 2. 14, 15
[d] Joel 2. 28.
[e] Is. 65. 12. 66. 4. Je. 7. 13. Zec. 7. 11.
[f] Ps. 37. 29.
[g] Lu. 7. 30.
[h] Job 18. 17. Ps. 37. 28. 104. 35.
[‖] or, *plucked up.*
[i] Is. 1. 15. Ja. 4. 3.
[*] *years of life.*
[k] Ps. 119. 165.
[l] Job 21. 14.
[m] Ex. 13. 9. De. 6. 8.
[n] Je. 17. 1. 2 Co. 3. 3.
[o] Ps. 119. 173.

30 They [a] would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

31 Therefore [b] shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.

32 For the [c] turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and [d] shall be quiet from fear of evil.

CHAP. II.

MY son, if thou wilt receive my words, and [f] hide my commandments with thee;

2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, *and* apply thine heart to understanding;

3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, *and* [g] liftest up thy voice for understanding;

4 If [h] thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as *for* hid treasures;

5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

6 For [k] the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh* knowledge and understanding.

7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: [n] *he is* a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and [o] preserveth the way of his saints.

9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; *yea*, every good path.

10 ¶ When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

11 Discretion shall preserve thee, [e] understanding shall keep thee:

12 To deliver thee from the way of the evil *man*, from the man that speaketh froward things;

13 Who leave the paths of uprightness, to [u] walk in the ways of darkness;

14 Who [v] rejoice to do evil, *and* [x] delight in the frowardness of the wicked;

15 Whose [z] ways *are* crooked, and *they* froward in their paths:

16 To deliver thee from [a] the strange woman, *even* from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words;

17 Which [c] forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.

18 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.

19 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life.

20 That thou mayest walk in the way of good *men*, and keep the paths of the righteous.

21 For [f] the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.

22 But [h] the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be [‖] rooted out of it.

CHAP. III.

MY son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

2 For length of days, and [*] long life, and [k] peace, shall they add to thee.

3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: [m] bind them about thy neck; [n] write them upon the table of thine heart:

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4 So [a] shalt thou find favour and [b] good understanding in the sight of God and man.
5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; [c] and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
7 ¶ Be [d] not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.
8 It shall be [†] health to thy navel, and [‡] marrow [e] to thy bones.
9 Honour [f] the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:
10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.
11 ¶ My son, [g] despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:
12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.
13 ¶ Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* [§] getteth understanding.
14 For [h] the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
15 She *is* more precious than rubies: and [i] all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
16 Length [k] of days *is* in her right hand; *and* in her left hand riches and honour.
17 Her [l] ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.
18 She *is* a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her.
19 The [m] LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he [n] established the heavens.
20 By [o] his knowledge the depths are broken up and [p] the clouds drop down the dew.
21 ¶ My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:
22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.
23 Then [q] shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.
24 When [r] thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.
25 Be [s] not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.
26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.
27 ¶ Withhold [t] not good from [§] them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do *it*.
28 Say [u] not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.
29 [†] Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.
30 ¶ Strive [v] not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.
31 ¶ Envy thou not [‖] the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.
32 For the froward [x] abomination to the LORD: [m] but his secret *is* with the righteous.
33 ¶ The [y] curse of the LORD *is* in the house of the wicked: but [z] he blesseth the habitation of the just.
34 Surely [a] he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.
35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame [‖] shall be the promotion of fools.

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[a] Lu. 2. 52.
[b] or, *good success.*
[c] Pa. 34. 11. Je. 9. 23.
[d] Ch. 29. 1.
[e] Ro. 12. 16.
[f] Ep. 6. 4.
[†] *medicine.*
[‡] *watering*, or, *moistening.*
[g] Job 31. 24.
[h] Lu. 14. 13.
[i] 2 Th. 2. 10.
[k] He. 12. 5, 6. Re. 3. 19.
[l] Mat. 13. 44. Lu. 10. 42.
[m] 1 Sa. 2. 30.
[§] *draweth out.*
[‖] or, *she shall compass thee with a crown of glory.*
[n] Ps. 19. 10.
[o] ch. 3. 2.
[p] Mat. 13. 44.
[q] 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[r] Ps. 18. 36.
[s] Ps. 91. 11, 12.
[t] Mat. 11. 28.
[u] Ps. 1. 1.
[x] Je. 10. 12.
[y] or, *prepared.*
[z] Ps. 26. 4.
[a] Le. 27. 30.
[b] Ge. 1. 9.
[c] De. 33. 28. Job 36. 28.
[d] Mat. 5. 14, 15. Phi. 2. 15.
[e] Ps. 37. 24.
[f] Jno. 12. 35.
[g] Le. 26. 6. Ps. 3. 5.
[h] Ps. 91. 5.
[†] *medicine.*
[‡] *above all keeping.*
[§] Ro. 13. 7. Ga. 6. 10.
[‖] *the owners thereof.*
[x] *Frowardness of mouth, and perverseness of lips.*
[i] Le. 19. 13. De. 24. 15.
[k] or, *all thy ways shall be ordered aright.*
[†] or, *Practise no evil.*
[l] De. 5. 32. 28. 14. Jos. 1. 7.
[m] Is. 1. 16. Ro. 12. 9.
[n] Ro. 12. 18.
[‡] *a man of violence.*
[x] Ps. 25. 14.
[o] Mal. 2. 7.
[p] Zec. 5. 4. Mal. 3. 5.
[§] *palate.*
[q] Ps. 1. 3.
[r] Ps. 55. 21.
[s] Ec. 7. 26.
[t] Ja. 4. 6.
[‖] *exalteth the fools.*

CHAP. IV.

HEAR, [a] ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding.
2 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.
3 For I was my father's son, [b] tender and only *beloved* in the sight of my mother.
4 He [c] taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.
5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget *it* not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.
6 Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: [d] love her, and she shall keep thee.
7 Wisdom [e] *is* the principal thing; *therefore* get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
8 Exalt [m] her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.
9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: [‖] a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.
10 Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; [f] and the years of thy life shall be many.
11 I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths.
12 When thou goest, [g] thy steps shall not be straitened; [h] and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble.
13 Take fast hold of instruction; let *her* not go: keep her; for she *is* thy life.
14 ¶ Enter [o] not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil *men*.
15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.
16 For [p] they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause *some* to fall.
17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.
18 But [q] the path of the just *is* as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.
19 The [r] way of the wicked *is* as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.
20 ¶ My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
22 For they *are* life unto those that find them, and [†] health to all their flesh.
23 ¶ Keep thy heart [‡] with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.
24 Put away from thee [§] a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.
25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.
26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and [s] let all thy ways be established.
27 Turn [t] not to the right hand nor to the left: [u] remove thy foot from evil.

CHAP. V.

MY son, attend unto my wisdom, *and* bow thine ear to my understanding:
2 That thou mayest regard discretion, and *that* thy lips may [x] keep knowledge.
3 ¶ For the lips of a strange woman drop *as* an honeycomb, and her [§] mouth *is* [y] smoother than oil:
4 But her end is [z] bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.
5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.
6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path

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of life, her ways are moveable, *that* thou canst not know *them*.

7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:

10 Lest strangers be filled with thy § wealth; and thy labours *be* in the house of a stranger;

11 And [a] thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed,

12 And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart [t] despised reproof;

13 And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!

14 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.

15 ¶ Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.

16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, *and* rivers of waters in the streets.

17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with [u] the wife of thy youth.

19 *Let* [v] *her be as* the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts [t] satisfy thee at all times; and [‡] be thou ravished always with her love.

20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?

21 For [w] the ways of man *are* before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

22 ¶ His [x] own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his ‖ sins.

23 He [a] shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

CHAP. VI.

MY son, if thou be surety for thy friend, if thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,

2 Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

3 Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself, [†] and make sure thy friend.

4 Give [b] not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.

5 Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand *of the hunter*, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.

6 ¶ Go [c] to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

8 Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest.

9 How [d] long will thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

10 *Yet* [e] a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

12 ¶ A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.

13 He [f] winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers;

14 Frowardness *is* in his heart, [g] he deviseth mischief continually; he [h] soweth discord.

15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he [i] be broken [k] without remedy.

16 ¶ These six *things* doth the LORD hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination [l] unto him:

17 ‡ A [m] proud look, [n] a lying tongue, and hands [o] that shed innocent blood,

18 An *heart* that deviseth wicked imaginations, [p] feet that be swift in running to mischief,

19 A [q] false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

20 ¶ My [r] son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, *and* tie them about thy neck.

22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and *when* thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.

23 For [s] the commandment *is* a ‖ lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life:

24 To [t] keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery [u] of the tongue of a strange woman.

25 Lust [v] not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.

26 For [w] by means of a whorish woman *a man is brought* to a piece of bread: [x] and § the adulteress will [y] hunt for the precious life.

27 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?

28 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?

29 So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; [z] whosoever toucheth her shall not be innocent.

30 *Men* do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;

31 But *if* he be found, [a] he shall restore sevenfold; [b] he shall give all the substance of his house.

32 *But* whoso committeth adultery with a woman [c] lacketh [d] understanding: he *that* doeth it [e] destroyeth his own soul.

33 A wound and dishonour shall he get; and [f] his reproach shall not be wiped away.

34 For [g] jealousy *is* the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.

35 He will not ‡ regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many gifts.

CHAP. VII.

MY son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.

2 Keep [a] my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.

3 Bind [t] them upon thy fingers, write [u] them upon the table of thine heart.

4 Say unto wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call understanding *thy* kinswoman:

5 That [v] they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words.

6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,

7 And beheld among [w] the simple ones, I discerned among § the youths, a young man [x] void of understanding,

8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,

9 In [t] the twilight, ‖ in the evening, in the black and dark night:

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[a] *casteth forth.*
[a] Jo. 19. 11.
[b] 2 Ch. 36. 16.
[†] *of his soul.*
[‡] *Haughty eyes.*
[c] Ps. 18. 27. 101. 5.
[d] Ps. 120. 2, 3.
[e] Is. 1. 15.
[f] Ge. 6. 5.
[§] *strength.*
[g] Is. 59. 7. Ro. 3. 15.
[h] Ro. 6. 21. He. 13. 4. Re. 21. 8.
[i] Ps. 37. 12.
[k] Ep. 6. 1.
[l] ch. 1. 25. 12. 1.
[m] Ps. 19. 8.
‖ or, *candle.*
[n] ch. 7. 5.
[o] or, *of the strange tongue.*
[p] Mat. 5. 28.
[q] Mal. 2. 14.
[r] Ca. 2. 9. 4. 5. 7. 3.
[s] *water thee.*
[t] ch. 29. 3.
[‡] *err thou always in.*
[u] Ge. 20. 14.
[§] *the woman of a man, or, a man's wife.*
[v] Eze. 13. 18.
[w] 2 Ch. 16. 9. Job 31. 4. 34. 21. Je. 16. 17. 32. 19. Ho. 7. 2. He. 4. 13.
[x] Ps. 9. 15.
[y] 1 Co. 7. 1.
‖ *rem.*
[z] Job 4. 21. 36. 12.
[a] Ex. 22. 1, 4.
[b] Mat. 18. 25.
[c] ch. 22. 26, 27.
[d] ch. 7. 7.
[e] *heart.*
[f] He. 13. 4.
[g] Mat. 1. 6.
[h] Ca. 8. 6. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[†] or, *so shall thou prevail with thy friend.*
[‡] *accept the face of any ransom.*
[a] Ps. 139. 4.
[b] Job 12. 7.
[c] Is. 56. 3.
[d] De. 6. 8.
[e] 2 Co. 3. 3.
[f] ch. 21. 33. 34.
[g] ch. 2. 16.
[h] Ro. 16. 18, 19
[§] *the sons.*
[i] ch. 9. 4, 16.
[k] Job 15. 12. Ps 35. 19.
[l] Job 24. 15.
‖ *in the evening of the day.*
[m] Mi. 2. 1.

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10 And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

11 (She [e] *is* loud and stubborn; [d] her feet abide not in her house:

12 Now *is she* without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

13 So she caught him, and kissed him, *and* [e] with an impudent face said unto him,

14 [f] *I have* peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.

15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.

16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved *works*, with [h] fine linen of Egypt.

17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves.

19 For the good man *is* not at home, he is gone a long journey:

20 He hath taken a bag of money [§] with him, *and* will come home at [i] the day appointed.

21 With [m] her much fair speech she caused him to yield, [n] with the flattering of her lips she forced him.

22 He goeth after her [l] straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;

23 Till a dart strike through his liver: [o] as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it *is* for his life.

24 [¶] Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.

26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, [m] many strong *men* have been slain by her.

27 Her house *is* the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.

CHAP VIII.

DOTH not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?

2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.

3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice *is* to the sons of man.

5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

6 Hear; for I will speak of [p] excellent things; and the opening of my lips *shall be* right things.

7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness *is* [t] an abomination to my lips.

8 All the words of my mouth *are* in righteousness; *there is* nothing [‡] froward or perverse in them.

9 They *are* all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.

10 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

11 For [r] wisdom *is* better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

12 I wisdom dwell with [§] prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

13 The [f] fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and [t] the froward mouth, do I hate.

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[e] Ec. 7. 19.
[b] Da. 2. 21. Ro. 13. 1.
[c] ch. 9. 13.
[d] 1 Ti. 5. 13. Tit. 2. 5.
[e] 1 Sa. 2. 30. Ps. 91. 14. Jno. 14. 21.
[f] Ja. 1. 5.
[g] *she strengthened her face, and said.*
[h] ch. 3. 16. Mat. 6. 33.
[i] *Peace offerings are upon me.*
[k] or, *week.*
[l] Is. 19. 9.
[m] Jno. 1. 1.
[n] Ps. 2. 6.
[§] *in his hand*
[i] Job 15. 7, 8.
[||] or, *the new moon.*
[m] ch. 5. 3.
[n] or, *open places.*
[o] or, *the chief part.*
[m] Ps. 12. 2.
[l] *suddenly.*
[§] or, *circle.*
[p] Ec. 9. 12.
[p] Ge. 1. 2, 10. Job 38. 10, 11 Ps. 33. 7. 104. 9.
Je. 5. 22.
[r] Job 28. 4.
[s] Jno. 1. 1, 2, 18
[t] Mat. 3. 17. Col. 1. 13.
[u] Ne. 13. 26.
[v] Ps. 16. 3.
[w] Ps. 119. 1, 2. 128. 1, 2. La. 11. 28.
[||] *bring forth*
[x] ch. 22. 20.
[z] Mat. 16. 18. Ep. 2. 20.. 22.
1 Pe. 2. 5.
[a] Mat. 22. 2, &c.
[b] *killing.*
[†] *the abomination of.*
[‡] *wreathed.*
[b] Ro. 10. 15.
[c] Mat. 11. 25.
[d] Ca. 5. 1. Is. 55. 1. Jno. 6. 27.
[e] ch. 16. 16. Job 28. 15, &c. Ps. 19. 10. 119. 127.
[§] or, *subtilty.*
[f] ch. 16. 6. Ro. 12. 9. 1 Th. 5. 22. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[g] Mat. 7. 6.
[h] Ps. 141. 5
[i] ch. 4. 24.

The excellency of wisdom.

14 Counsel *is* mine, and sound wisdom: I *am* understanding; [a] I have strength.

15 By [b] me kings reign, and princes decree justice.

16 By me princes rule, and nobles, *even* all the judges of the earth.

17 I [c] love them that love me; and those [f] that seek me early shall find me.

18 Riches [g] and honour *are* with me; *yea*, durable riches and righteousness.

19 My fruit *is* better than gold, yea, than fine gold: and my revenue than choice silver.

20 I [‡] lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

22 The [i] LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.

23 I [k] was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

24 When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water.

25 Before [l] the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:

26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the [n] fields, nor [t] the highest part of the dust of the world.

27 When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there: when he set a [§] compass upon the face of the depth:

28 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:

29 When [p] he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when [r] he appointed the foundations of the earth:

30 Then [s] I was by him, *as* one brought up *with him*: [t] and I was daily *his* delight, rejoicing always before him;

31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and [v] my delights *were* with the sons of men.

32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for [w] blessed *are they that* keep my ways.

33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

34 Blessed *is* the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

35 For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall [||] obtain favour of the LORD.

36 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

CHAP. IX.

WISDOM hath [a] builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:

2 She [a] hath killed her [b] beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table.

3 She hath [b] sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,

4 Whoso [c] *is* simple, let him turn in hither: *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,

5 Come, [d] eat of my bread, and drink of the wine *which* I have mingled.

6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

7 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked *man getteth* himself a blot.

8 Reprove [f] not a scorner, lest he hate thee: [h] rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

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9 Give *instruction* to a wise *man*, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just *man*, [a] and he will increase in learning.

10 The [b] fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy *is* understanding.

11 For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased.

12 *If* thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but *if* thou scornest, thou alone shalt bear *it*.

13 ¶ A foolish woman *is* clamorous: *she is* simple, and knoweth nothing.

14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,

15 To call passengers who go right on their ways:

16 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: and *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,

17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread [‡] *eaten* in secret is pleasant.

18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there; *and that* her guests *are* in the depths of hell.

CHAP. X.

THE proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son *is* the heaviness of his mother.

2 Treasures [m] of wickedness profit nothing: [e] but righteousness delivereth from death.

3 The [P] LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away [§] the substance of the wicked.

4 He becometh poor that dealeth *with* a slack hand: but [f] the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

5 He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son: *but* he that sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that causeth shame.

6 Blessings *are* upon the head of the just: but [g] violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

7 The [s] memory of the just *is* blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but [§] a prating fool shall [‖] fall.

9 He [t] that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall [e] fall.

11 The [v] mouth of a righteous *man is* a well of life: but [d] violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but *f* love covereth all sins.

13 In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod *is* for the back of him that is void of [†] understanding.

14 Wise *men* lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish *is* near destruction.

15 The [h] rich man's wealth *is* his strong city: the destruction of the poor *is* their poverty.

16 The labour of the righteous *tendeth* to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

17 He *is in* the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof [‖] erreth.

18 He that hideth hatred *with* lying lips, and [i] he that uttereth a slander, *is* a fool.

19 In [m] the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but [n] he that refraineth his lips *is* wise.

20 The tongue of the just *is as* choice sil-

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[a] Mat. 13. 12.
[e] *heart.*
[b] Job 28. 28. Ps. 111. 10.
[c] Ge. 24. 35. 26. 12. Ps. 37. 22.
[d] Job 15. 21.
[e] Ps. 145. 19. Mat. 5. 6. 1 Jno. 5. 14, 15.
[f] Job 33. 6, 7.
[g] Ps. 37. 9, 10.
[h] Ps. 15. 5. Mat. 7. 24, 25 16. 18.
[†] *addeth.*
[i] Ec. 7. 17.
[k] Job 8. 13.
[‡] *of secrecies.*
[l] Ps. 1. 6.
[m] Pr. 37 22, 29.
[n] Ps. 49. 6, &c. Lu. 12. 19, 20
[o] De. 4. 27.
[§] *frowardnesses.*
[P] Ps. 10. 14. 34. 9, 10.
[‖] or, *the wicked for* their *wickedness.*
[e] *Balances of deceit.*
[r] Le. 19 35, 36
[†] *a perfect stone.*
[s] ch. 21. 5.
[t] Da. 4. 30, 31.
[u] ch. 13. 6.
[v] Ese. 7. 19. Zep. 1. 18.
[x] Ez. 7. 8.
[y] De. 7. 1.
[z] Ps. 9. 5, 6. 112. 6. Ec. 8. 10.
[‡] *rectify.*
[§] *a fool of lips.*
[‖] or, *be beaten.*
[e] Ec. 10. 8.
[b] Is. 33. 15, 16.
[e] or, *be beaten.*
[c] Ps. 37. 30.
[d] Ps. 107. 42.
[e] Job 8. 13.
[f] 1 Co. 13. 4. 1 Pe. 4. 8.
[g] Es. 8. 15.
[†] *heart.*
[‡] *destitute of heart.*
[h] Job 31. 24. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[§] *He that walketh,* being *a talebearer.*
[i] Le. 19. 16.
[k] 1 Ki. 12. 1, &c.
[‖] or, *causeth to err.*
[l] Ps. 15. 3.
[e] *be sore broken.*
[†] *those that strikehands*
[m] Ec. 5. 3.
[n] Ja. 3. 2.
[o] ch. 31. 30.
[P] Mat. 5. 7. 25. 34, &c.

ver: the heart of the wicked *is* little worth.

21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of [e] wisdom.

22 The [e] blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

23 *It is* as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

24 The [d] fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but [e] the desire of the righteous shall be granted.

25 As the whirlwind passeth, [f] so *is* the wicked no *more*: but [g] the righteous *is* an everlasting foundation.

26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so *is* the sluggard to them that send him.

27 The fear of the LORD [†] prolongeth days: but [i] the years of the wicked shall be shortened.

28 The hope of the righteous *shall be* gladness: but the [k] expectation of the wicked shall perish.

29 The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright: [l] but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.

30 The [m] righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.

31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.

32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked *speaketh* [§] frowardness.

CHAP. XI.

A [e] FALSE [r] balance *is* abomination to the LORD: but [†] a just weight *is* his delight.

2 *When* [t] pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly *is* wisdom.

3 The [u] integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

4 Riches [v] profit not in the day of wrath: but [y] righteousness delivereth from death.

5 The righteousness of the perfect shall [‡] direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.

6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but [a] transgressors shall be taken in *their own* naughtiness.

7 When a wicked man dieth, *his* expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust *men* perisheth.

8 The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead.

9 An [e] hypocrite with *his* mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

10 When [§] it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish, *there is* shouting.

11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.

12 He that is [‡] void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.

13 [§] A [i] talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

14 Where [k] no counsel *is*, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.

15 He that is surety for a stranger shall [e] smart *for it:* and he that hateth [†] suretiship is sure.

16 A [e] gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong *men* retain riches.

17 The [P] merciful man doeth good to his

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own soul: but *he that is* cruel troubleth his own flesh.

18 The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but [b] to him that soweth righteousness *shall be* a sure reward.

19 As righteousness *tendeth* to life: so he that pursueth evil *pursueth it* to his own death.

20 They that are of a froward heart *are* abomination to the LORD: but *such as are* upright in *their* way *are* his delight.

21 *Though* hand *join* in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but [e] the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

22 *As* a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, *so is* a fair woman which *is* without discretion.

23 The desire of the righteous *is* only good: *but* the expectation of the wicked [g] *is* wrath.

24 There is that [h] scattereth, and yet increaseth; and *there is* that withholdeth more than is meet, but *it tendeth* to poverty.

25 The [§] liberal [i] soul shall be made fat: [k] and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.

26 He [m] that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but [n] blessing *shall be* upon the head of him that selleth *it*.

27 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: [p] but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him.

28 He [q] that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but [r] the righteous shall flourish as a branch.

29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool *shall be* servant to the wise of heart.

30 The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life; and [s] he that [†] winneth souls *is* wise.

31 Behold, [t] the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.

CHAP. XII.

WHOSO loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof *is* brutish.

2 A good *man* obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.

3 A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.

4 A [u] virtuous woman *is* a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed *is as* rottenness in his bones.

5 The thoughts of the righteous *are* right: *but* the counsels of the wicked *are* deceit.

6 The words of the wicked *are* to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

7 The [x] wicked are overthrown, and *are* not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.

8 A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: [a] but he that is [§] of a perverse heart shall be despised.

9 *He that is* despised, and hath a servant, *is* better than he that honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.

10 A [b] righteous *man* regardeth the life of his beast: but the [c] tender mercies of the wicked *are* cruel.

11 He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain *persons is* void of understanding.

12 The wicked desireth the [‡] net of evil *men*: but the root of the righteous yieldeth *fruit*.

13 The [d] wicked is snared by the transgression of *his* lips: [e] but the just shall come out of trouble.

14 A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of *his* mouth: [f] and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.

15 The [g] way of a fool *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise.

16 A fool's wrath is [†] presently known: but a prudent *man* covereth shame.

17 *He that* speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.

18 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise *is* health.

19 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: [i] but a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.

20 Deceit *is* in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace *is* joy.

21 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.

22 Lying [k] lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight.

23 A [l] prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.

24 The [m] hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the [‖] slothful shall be under tribute.

25 Heaviness [n] in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but [o] a good word maketh it glad.

26 The righteous *is* more [p] excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

27 The slothful *man* roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man *is* precious.

28 In the way of righteousness *is* life; and *in* the pathway *thereof there is* no death.

CHAP. XIII.

A WISE son *heareth* his father's instruction: [q] but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

2 A [r] man shall eat good by the fruit of *his* mouth: but the soul of the transgressors *shall eat* violence.

3 He [s] that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: *but* he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

4 The [t] soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

5 A righteous *man* hateth lying: but a wicked *man* is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

6 Righteousness [u] keepeth *him that is* upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth [‡] the sinner.

7 There [x] is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor, yet *hath* great riches.

8 The ransom of a man's life *are* his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

9 The light of the righteous rejoiceth: [y] but the [‖] lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised *is* wisdom.

11 Wealth [z] *gotten* by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth [†] by labour shall increase.

12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but *when* the desire cometh, *it is* a tree of life.

13 Whoso [a] despiseth the word shall be

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[a] *snare of the wicked is in the.*
[c] 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[b] Ho. 10. 12. Ga. 6. 8, 9. Ja. 3. 18.
[e] Is. 3. 10. 11.
[d] Lu. 16. 11.
[†] *in that day.*
[e] Ps. 112. 2.
[‡] *departeth from.*
[f] Ps. 52. 5.
[g] Ro. 2. 8, 9.
[h] Ps. 112. 9.
[§] *soul of blessing.*
[i] 2Co.9.6..10.
[k] Mat. 5. 7.
[l] Re. 22. 15.
[m] Am. 8. 5, 6.
[n] Job 29. 13.
[o] ch. 13. 16. 15. 2.
[p] Es. 7. 10. Ps. 7. 15, 16. 57. 6.
[r] ch. 10. 4.
[s] Job 31. 24. Mar. 10. 24. Lu. 12. 21. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[‖] or, *deceitful.*
[t] Jo. 17. 8.
[u] ch. 15. 13.
[x] Is. 50. 4.
[o] or, *abundant.*
[y] Da. 12. 3. 1 Co. 9. 19, &c. Ja. 5. 20.
[†] *taketh.*
[z] Je. 25. 29. 1 Co. 11. 30, 32. 1Pe.4.17,18
[a] 1 Sa. 2. 25.
[a] ch. 12. 14.
[b] ch. 21. 23. Ps. 39. 1. Ja. 3. 2.
[c] 1 Co. 11. 7.
[d] ch. 10. 4.
[e] ch.11.3,5,6.
[f] Ps.37. 36,37. Mat. 7. 24.. 27.
[‡] *sin.*
[g] ch. 12. 9.
[h] 1 Sa. 25. 17. Mat. 27. 4. Ac. 12. 23.
[§] *perverse of heart.*
[i] ch. 24. 20. Job 18. 5, 6. 21. 17.
[‖] or, *candle.*
[k] De. 25. 4.
[l] or, *bowels.*
[i] ch. 10. 2. 20. 21. Ja. 5. 1..6.
[†] *with the hand.*
[‡] or, *fortress.*
[m] 2 Ch. 36. 16.

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destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be [o]rewarded.

14 The [a] law of the wise *is* a fountain of life, to depart from [b] the snares of death.

15 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is* hard.

16 Every [c] prudent *man* dealeth with knowledge: but a fool [†] layeth open *his* folly.

17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but [§a]/faithful ambassador *is* health.

18 Poverty and shame *shall be to* him that refuseth instruction: but [d] he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but *it is* abomination to fools to depart from evil.

20 He that walketh with wise *men* shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be [‖] destroyed.

21 Evil [e] pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.

22 A good *man* leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and [f] the wealth of the sinner *is* laid up for the just.

23 Much [g] food *is in* the tillage of the poor: but there is *that is* destroyed for want of judgment.

24 He [m] that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

25 The [o] righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

CHAP. XIV.

EVERY wise woman [p] buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

2 He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: [q] but *he that is* perverse in his ways despiseth him.

3 In the mouth of the foolish *is* a rod of pride: [r] but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.

4 Where no oxen *are*, the crib *is* clean: but much increase *is* by the strength of the ox.

5 A [s] faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.

6 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and *findeth it* not: but [t] knowledge *is* easy unto him that understandeth.

7 Go [u] from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not *in him* the lips of knowledge.

8 The wisdom of the prudent *is* to understand his way: but the folly of fools *is* deceit.

9 Fools/make a mock at sin: but among the righteous *there is* favour.

10 The heart knoweth [‖] his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his joy.

11 The [x] house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.

12 There [h] is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but [i] the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and [l] the end of that mirth *is* heaviness.

14 The backslider in heart shall be [m] filled with his own ways: and a good man *shall be satisfied* from himself.

15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going.

16 A wise *man* feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.

17 *He that is* soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.

18 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

19 The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.

20 The [e] poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich *hath* many friends.

21 He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: [f] but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy *is* he.

22 Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth *shall be* to them that devise good.

23 In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips *tendeth* only to penury.

24 The crown of the wise *is* their riches: *but* the foolishness of fools *is* folly.

25 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful *witness* speaketh lies.

26 In the fear of the LORD *is* strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.

27 The [k] fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

28 In the multitude of people *is* the king's honour: but in the want of people *is* the destruction of the prince.

29 *He* [n] *that is* slow to wrath *is* of great understanding: but *he that is* [o] hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

30 A sound heart *is* the life of the flesh: but [p] envy the rottenness of the bones.

31 He [y] that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.

32 The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but [t] the righteous hath hope in his death.

33 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but *that which is* in the midst of fools is made known.

34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin *is* a reproach [†] to any people.

35 The [z] king's favour *is* toward a wise servant: but his wrath is *against* him that causeth shame.

CHAP. XV.

A SOFT [z] answer turneth away wrath: but [b] grievous words stir up anger.

2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: [d] but the mouth of fools [‡] poureth out foolishness.

3 The [e] eyes of the LORD *are* in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

4 [§] A wholesome tongue *is* a tree of life: but perverseness therein *is* a breach in the spirit.

5 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.

6 In the house of the righteous *is* much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.

7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish *doeth* not so.

8 The [k] sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight.

9 The way of the wicked *is* an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that [a] followeth after righteousness.

10 [o] Correction *is* [p] grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: *and* he that hateth reproof shall die.

11 Hell [p] and destruction *are* before the LORD: how much more then [r] the hearts of the children of men?

12 A [s] scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

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[o] or, *in peace*
[a] ch. 14. 27. 16. 22.
[b] 2 Sa. 22. 6.
[c] ch. 19. 7.
[d] ch. 12. 23.
[†] *many are the lovers of the rich.*
[§] *spreadeth.*
[e] Ps. 41. 1. 112. 9.
[§] *an ambassador of faithfulness.*
[f] ch. 25. 23.
[g] ch. 13. 5, 31.
[‖] *broken.*
[h] Pa. 32. 10.
[i] ch. 28. 8. Job 27. 16, 17 Ec. 2. 26.
[k] ch. 13. 14.
[l] ch. 12. 11.
[m] ch. 19. 18. He. 12. 6, 8.
[n] ch. 16. 32. Ja. 1. 19.
[o] *short.*
[p] Ps. 34. 10. 37. 3. 1 Ti. 4. 8. He. 13. 5.
[p] Pa. 112. 10.
[r] ch. 17. 5. Mat. 25. 40, 45
[s] Ru. 4. 11.
[t] Job 19. 26. Ps. 23. 4. 37. 37. 2 Co. 1. 9. 5. 8.
2 Ti. 4. 18.
[u] Job 12. 4. Lu. 10. 16. 16. 14. Ro. 2. 4, 5.
[v] Ro. 10. 9, 10.
[†] *to nations.*
[w] Mat. 34. 45, 47
[x] ch. 6. 19. Ex. 20. 16. 23. 1.
[z] Ju. 8. 1...3.
[a] ch. 8. 9. 17. 24.
[b] 1 Sa. 25. 10. 1 Ki. 12. 13.
[c] 1 Co. 5. 11. Ep. 5. 11.
[d] ch. 13. 16.
[‡] *belcheth, or, bubbleth.*
[e] Job 34. 21. He. 4. 13.
[§] *The healing of the tongue.*
[f] ch. 10. 23.
[‖] *the bitterness of his soul.*
[g] Job 8. 15.
[h] ch. 16. 25.
[i] Ro. 6. 21.
[k] Is. 1. 11. Am. 5. 22.
[l] Ec. 2. 2.
[m] ch. 1. 31. 12. 14.
[n] 1 Ti. 6. 11.
[o] or, *Instruction.*
[p] 1 Ki. 22. 8.
[p] Job 26. 6.
[r] Ac. 1. 24.
[s] 2 Ti. 4. 3.

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13 A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

14 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

15 All the days of the afflicted *are* evil: but he that is of a merry heart *hath* a continual feast.

16 Better [d] *is* little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.

17 Better *is* a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.

18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but *he that is* slow to anger appeaseth strife.

19 The way of the slothful *man is* as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous *is* † made plain.

20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

21 Folly *is* joy to *him that is* § destitute of wisdom: [e] but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.

22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word *spoken* ‖ in due season, how good *is it!*

24 The [f] way of life *is* above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

25 The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

26 The thoughts of the wicked *are* an abomination to the LORD: [h] but *the words* of the pure *are* † pleasant words.

27 He [i] that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.

28 The heart of the righteous [l] studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

29 The [m] LORD *is* far from the wicked: but [n] he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

30 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: *and* a good report maketh the bones fat.

31 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

32 He that refuseth ‡ instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that § heareth reproof [t] getteth understanding.

33 The fear of the LORD *is* the instruction of wisdom; and before honour *is* humility.

CHAP. XVI.

THE [a] preparations [r] of the heart in man, [s] and the answer of the tongue, *is* from the LORD.

2 All the ways of a man *are* clean in his own eyes; but [t] the LORD weigheth the spirits.

3 † Commit [u] thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

4 The [v] LORD hath made all *things* for himself: [w] yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.

5 Every one *that is* proud in heart *is* an abomination to the LORD: *though* hand *join* in hand, he shall not be § unpunished.

6 By [x] mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD *men* depart from evil.

7 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

8 Better *is* a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.

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[a] Ps. 37. 23. Is. 46. 10. Je. 10. 23.
[b] *Divination.*
[c] La. 19. 36.
† *stones.*
[d] Ps. 37. 16. 1 Ti. 6. 6.
[e] Job 29. 23. Zec. 10. 1.
‡ *raised up as a causey.*
§ *void of heart.*
[f] Ep. 5. 15.
‖ *in his season.*
[g] or, *understandeth.*
[h] Ps. 16. 11. 139. 24. Je. 21. 8. Mat. 7. 14. Jno. 14. 6. Phi. 3. 20. Col. 3. 1, 2.
[i] ch. 3. 5, 6. Is. 26. 3, 4. 30. 18. Je. 17. 7.
[k] Ps. 37. 30.
† *words of pleasantness.*
[l] Is. 5. 8. Je. 17. 11.
[m] Mat. 12. 34.
‡ *maketh wise.*
[n] 1 Pe. 3. 15.
[o] Ps. 10. 1. 34. 16.
[p] Ps. 145. 18. 19. Jno. 9. 31. Ro. 8. 26, 27. Ja. 5. 16. 18. 1 Jo. 3. 22.
§ *The soul of him that.*
[q] Ec. 6. 7.
‖ *boweth unto him.*
[r] *A man of Belial.*
† *sendeth forth.*
‡ or, *correction.*
§ or, *obeyeth.*
[s] ch. 1. 10, &c.
‖ *possesseth an heart.*
[t] or, *disposings.*
[u] Je. 10. 23.
[v] Mat. 10. 19, 20.
[w] 1 Sa. 16. 7.
† *Roll.*
[x] Mat. 6. 25. Lu. 12. 22. Phi. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[y] Is. 43. 7. Ro. 11. 36.
[z] Job 21. 30.
‡ or, *good cheer.*
§ *held innocent.*
[a] Lu. 11. 41.
[b] Ps. 26. 2. Je. 17. 10. Mal. 3. 3.

9 A man's heart deviseth his way: [y] but the LORD directeth his steps.

10 [z] A divine sentence *is* in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment.

11 A [a] just weight and balance *are* the LORD's: all the † weights of the bag *are* his work.

12 *It is* an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness.

13 Righteous lips *are* the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.

14 The wrath of a king *is as* messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.

15 In the light of the king's countenance *is* life; and his favour *is* [d] as a cloud of the latter rain.

16 How much better *is it* to get wisdom than gold? and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver?

17 The highway of the upright *is* to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.

18 Pride *goeth* before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

19 Better *it is to be* of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

20 He that [b] handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso [c] trusteth in the LORD, happy *is* he.

21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

22 Understanding *is a* wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools *is* folly.

23 The [k] heart of the wise † teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.

24 Pleasant words *are as* an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

26 § He [l] that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth ‖ craveth it of him.

27 [m] An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips *there is* as a burning fire.

28 A froward man [n] soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

29 A violent man [p] entiseth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way *that is* not good.

30 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.

31 The hoary head *is a* crown of glory, *if* it be found in the way of righteousness.

32 *He that is* slow to anger *is* better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

33 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof *is* of the LORD.

CHAP. XVII.

BETTER *is a* dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of † sacrifices *with* strife.

2 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

3 The [c] fining pot *is* for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.

4 A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; *and* a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

5 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth

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his Maker: *and* [a] he that is glad at calamities shall not be ‡ unpunished.

6 Children's [b] children *are* the crown of old men; and the glory of children *are* their fathers.

7 ‖ Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do [c] lying lips a prince.

8 A gift *is as* † a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.

9 He that covereth a transgression § seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends.

10 A reproof [c] entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.

11 An evil *man* seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

12 *Let* a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.

13 Whoso [d] rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.

14 The beginning of strife *is as* when one letteth out water: therefore † leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

15 He [b] that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both *are* abomination to the LORD.

16 Wherefore *is there* a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing *he hath* no heart *to it?*

17 A ‡ friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

18 A man void of † understanding striketh hands, *and* becometh surety in the presence of his friend.

19 He loveth transgression that loveth strife: *and* he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.

20 ‡ He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath [e] a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.

21 He that begetteth a fool *doeth it* to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no joy.

22 A merry heart doeth good §*like* a medicine: [f] but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

23 A wicked *man* taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.

24 Wisdom † *is* before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool *are* in the ends of the earth.

25 A foolish son *is* a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

26 Also to punish the just *is* not good, *nor* to strike princes for equity.

27 He [g] that hath knowledge spareth his words: *and* a man of understanding is of [c] an excellent spirit.

28 Even [h] a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: *and* he that shutteth his lips *is esteemed* a man of understanding.

CHAP. XVIII.

THROUGH † desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh *and* intermeddleth with all wisdom.

2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

3 When the wicked cometh, *then* cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.

4 The words of a man's mouth *are as* deep waters, *and* the wellspring of wisdom *as* a flowing brook.

5 *It* [i] *is* not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.

6 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

7 A fool's mouth *is* his destruction, and his lips *are* the snare of his soul.

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[a] Job 31. 29. Ob. 12.
[b] ch. 26. 22.
[c] or, *whisperer.*
† or, *like as when men are wounded.*
‡ *held innocent.*
§ *chambers.*
[d] Ps. 127. 3. 128. 3.
‖ *A lip of excellency.*
[d] 2 Sa. 22. 3, 51. Ps. 27. 1.
[e] *a lip of lying.*
† *a stone of grace.*
‡ *set aloft.*
§ or, *procureth.*
‖ *returneth a word.*
[e] Jno. 7. 51.
[c] or, *aweth more a wise man, than to strike a fool an hundred times.*
[f] Ho. 13. 8.
§ Ps. 109. 4, 5. Je. 18. 20. Ro. 12. 17. 1 Th. 5. 15. 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[h] Ge. 39. 20. 1 Sa. 25. 27.
[i] 1 Th. 4. 11.
[k] Ex. 23. 7. Is. 5. 23.
[l] Ru. 1. 16.
† *heart.*
[m] Mat. 12. 37.
[n] ch. 31. 10.
‡ *The froward of heart.*
[o] Je. 2. 3.
[p] Ja. 3. 8.
[r] ch. 17. 17.
§ or, *to a.*
[s] Ps. 22. 15.
[t] Ec. 2. 14. 8. 1.
[u] Ps. 37. 7.
[v] Ja. 1. 19.
[w] Ex. 23. 1. De. 19. 16, 19
‖ *held innocent.*
[c] or, *a cool.*
[y] Job 13. 5.
† *a man of gifts.*
‡ or, *He that separateth himself seeketh according to* his *desire,* and *intermeddleth in every business.* Jude 19.
§ *an heart*
[z] Le. 19. 15.
‖ or, *prudence.*
[a] Col. 3. 12, 13.

8 The [b] words of a [c] talebearer *are* † as wounds, and they go down into the § innermost parts of the belly.

9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

10 The [d] name of the LORD *is* a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is ‡ safe.

11 The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.

12 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour *is* humility.

13 He that ‖ answereth a matter [e] before he heareth *it*, *it is* folly and shame unto him.

14 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

15 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

16 A [k] man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.

17 *He that is* first in his own cause *seemeth* just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.

18 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.

19 A brother offended *is harder to be won* than a strong city: and *their* contentions *are* like the bars of a castle.

20 A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; *and* with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

21 Death [m] and life *are* in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

22 *Whoso* [n] findeth a wife findeth a good *thing*, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.

23 The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth [c] roughly.

24 A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: [r] and there is a friend *that* sticketh closer than a brother.

CHAP. XIX.

BETTER *is* the poor that walketh in his integrity, than *he that is* perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

2 Also, *that* the soul *be* without knowledge, *it is* not good; and he that hasteth with *his* feet sinneth.

3 The foolishness of man perverteth his way: [s] and his heart fretteth against the LORD.

4 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.

5 A [t] false witness shall not be ‖ unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall not escape.

6 Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man *is* a friend to † him that giveth gifts.

7 All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth *them with* words, *yet* they *are* wanting *to him.*

8 He that getteth § wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.

9 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall perish.

10 Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.

11 The ‖ discretion [a] of a man deferreth his anger; and *it is* his glory to pass over a transgression.

12 The king's wrath *is* as the roaring of a lion; but his favour *is* as dew upon the grass.

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13 A foolish son *is* the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife *are* a continual dropping.

14 House [e] and riches *are* the inheritance of fathers: and [d] a prudent wife *is* from the LORD.

15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

16 He [e] that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; *but* he that despiseth his ways shall die.

17 He [f] that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and [g] that which he hath given will he pay him again.

18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare [‡] for his crying.

19 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver *him*, yet thou must [§] do it again.

20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise [A] in thy latter end.

21 *There* [k] *are* many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.

22 The desire of a man *is* his kindness: and a poor man *is* better than a liar.

23 The [a] fear of the LORD *tendeth* to life: and *he that hath it* shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

24 A slothful *man* hideth his hand in *his* bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

25 Smite a scorner, and the simple [‖] will [a] beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, *and* he will understand knowledge.

26 He that wasteth *his* father, *and* chaseth away *his* mother, *is a* son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.

27 Cease, my son, to hear the instruction *that causeth* to err from the words of knowledge.

28 ‖ An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

29 Judgments are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the back of fools.

CHAP. XX.

WINE [a] *is a* mocker, strong drink *is* raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

2 The fear of a king *is* as the roaring of a lion: *whoso* provoketh him to anger sinneth *against* his own soul.

3 *It is* an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.

4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the [†] cold; *therefore* shall he beg in harvest, and *have* nothing.

5 Counsel in the heart of man *is like* deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.

6 Most [a] men will proclaim every one his own ‖ goodness: but [b] a faithful man who can find?

7 The [d] just *man* walketh in his integrity: [a] his children *are* blessed after him.

8 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.

9 Who [f] can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

10 [†] Divers [§] weights, *and* ‡ divers measures, both of them *are* alike abomination to the LORD.

11 Even a child is [t] known by his doings, whether his work *be* pure, and whether *it be* right.

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[e] Ex. 4. 11.
[a] Ro. 12. 11.
[d] 2 Co. 12. 14.
[d] Ge. 24. 7. Ju. 1. 17.
[e] Lu. 10. 28. 11. 28.
[f] Mat. 10. 42. 25. 40. 2 Co. 9. 6., 8. He. 6. 10.
[g] or, *his deed*
[†] *lying*, or, *falsehood*.
[‡] or, *to his destruction*: or, *to cause him to die*.
[§] *add*.
[A] Lu. 14. 31.
[k] Ps. 37. 37.
[a] Ro. 16. 18.
[‖] or, *enticeth*
[A] Ac. 5. 30. He. 6. 17.
[t] Ex. 21. 17. Mat. 15. 4.
[m] Job 18. 5, 6.
[n] or, *candle*.
[n] Hab. 2. 6.
[o] 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[p] De. 32. 35. Ro 12. 17, 19 1 Th. 5. 15. 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[r] 2 Sa. 16. 12.
[†] *balances of deceit*.
[‡] *will be cunning*.
[s] De. 13. 11.
[t] Je. 10. 23.
[u] Ec. 5. 4, 5.
[v] 1 Co. 2. 11.
[§] or, *lamp*.
[‖] *A witness of Belial*.
[w] *inapurging medicine against*.
[x] Ge. 9. 21. Is. 28. 7.
[y] Lu. 16. 15.
[A] 1 Sa. 15. 22.
[†] or, *winter*.
[z] *Haughtiness of eyes*.
[§] or, *light*.
[a] Mat. 6. 2. Lu. 18. 11.
[‖] or, *bounty*.
[b] Lu. 18. 8.
[c] 2 Pe. 2. 3.
[d] 2 Co. 1. 12.
[e] Ps. 37. 26.
[a] *saw*, or, *dwell with*.
[f] 2 Ch. 6. 36. Ec. 7. 20. 1 Co. 4. 4. 1 Jno. 1. 8.
[‡] *A stone and a stone*.
[g] De. 25. 13, &c. Mi. 6. 10, 11.
[‡] *an ephah and an ephah*.
[§] *woman of contentions*
[‖] *an house of society*.
[A] Ja. 4. 5.
[t] Mat. 7. 16.
[a] *is not favoured*.

12 The [a] hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.

13 Love [b] not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, *and* thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

14 *It is* naught, *it is* naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.

15 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge *are a* precious jewel.

16 Take his garment that is surety *for* a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

17 Bread of [†] deceit *is* sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.

18 *Every* purpose is established by counsel: [§] and with good advice make war.

19 He that goeth about *as* a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him [t] that ‖ flattereth with his lips.

20 Whoso [t] curseth his father or his mother, [m] his [n] lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.

21 An inheritance *may be* gotten hastily at the beginning; [m] but the end thereof shall not be blessed.

22 Say [o] not thou, I will recompense evil; *but* [r] wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.

23 Divers weights *are* an abomination unto the LORD; and [†] a false balance *is* not good.

24 Man's [s] goings *are* of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?

25 *It is* a snare to the man *who* devoureth *that which is* holy, and [u] after vows to make enquiry.

26 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.

27 The [v] spirit of man *is* the [§] candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

28 Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.

29 The glory of young men *is* their strength: and the beauty of old men *is* the grey head.

30 The blueness of a wound [a] cleanseth away evil: so *do* stripes the inward parts of the belly.

CHAP. XXI.

THE king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, *as* the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.

2 Every way of a man *is* right in his own eyes: [b] but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

3 To [c] do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

4 [†] An high look, and a proud heart, *and* the [§] plowing of the wicked, *is* sin.

5 The thoughts of the diligent *tend* only to plenteousness; but of every one *that is* hasty only to want.

6 The [e] getting of treasures by a lying tongue *is a* vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.

7 The robbery of the wicked shall [a] destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.

8 The way of man *is* froward and strange: but *as for* the pure, his work *is* right.

9 *It is* better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a [§] brawling woman in ‖ a wide house.

10 The [A] soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour [a] findeth no favour in his eyes.

11 When the scorner is punished, the

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simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.

12 The righteous *man* wisely considereth the house of the wicked: *but God* overthroweth the wicked for *their* wickedness.

13 Whoso [a] stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.

14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.

15 *It is* joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.

16 The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.

17 He that loveth ‖ pleasure *shall be a* poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

18 The wicked *shall be* a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.

19 *It is* better to dwell in the § wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.

20 *There* [b] *is* treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

21 He [c] that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.

22 A wise *man* scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.

23 Whoso [d] keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

24 Proud *and* haughty scorner *is his* name, who dealeth in ‖ proud wrath.

25 The [e] desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.

26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.

27 The [f] sacrifice of the wicked *is* abomination: how much more, *when* he bringeth it § with a wicked mind?

28 A ‖ false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.

29 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but *as for* the upright, he † directeth his way.

30 *There* [m] *is* no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.

31 The horse *is* prepared against the day of battle: but § safety *is* of the LORD.

CHAP. XXII.

A [a] *GOOD* name *is* rather to be chosen than great riches, *and* ‖ loving favour rather than silver and gold.

2 The [p] rich and poor meet together: the LORD *is* the maker of them all.

3 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

4 † By [r] humility and the fear of the LORD *are* riches, and honour, and life.

5 Thorns *and* snares *are* in the way of the froward: [s] he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.

6 ‡ Train [t] up a child § in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

7 The [u] rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower *is* servant to the ‖ lender.

8 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and [a] the rod of his anger shall fail.

9 † He [b] that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.

10 Cast [c] out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.

11 He that loveth pureness of heart, [d] *for* the grace of his lips the king *shall be* his friend.

12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth † the words of the transgressor.

13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is a* lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

14 The mouth of strange women *is* a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein.

15 Foolishness *is* bound in the heart of a child; *but* the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

16 He that oppresseth the poor to increase his *riches, and* he that giveth to the rich, *shall* surely *come* to want.

17 Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.

18 For *it is* a pleasant thing if thou keep them ‖ within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

19 That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, [e] even to thee.

20 Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,

21 That [d] I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; [e] that thou mightest answer the words of truth † to them that send unto thee?

22 Rob [f] not the poor, because he *is* poor: [h] neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:

23 For [i] the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.

24 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:

25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.

26 Be not thou *one* of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts.

27 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?

28 Remove [m] not the ancient [e] landmark, which thy fathers have set.

29 Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before † mean *men*.

CHAP. XXIII.

WHEN thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what *is* before thee:

2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou *be* a man given to appetite.

3 Be not desirous of his dainties: for they *are* deceitful meat.

4 Labour [r] not to be rich: cease [s] from thine own wisdom.

5 Wilt thou [e] set thine eyes upon that which is not? for *riches* certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

6 Eat [v] thou not the bread of *him that hath* [x] an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats:

7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, [z] saith he to thee; but his heart *is* not with thee.

8 The morsel *which* thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.

9 Speak [a] not in the ears of a fool; for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.

10 Remove [d] not the old ‖ landmark: and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:

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[a] or, and hath *grace in his lips.*
[m] Mat. 7. 2. Ja. 2. 13.
† or, *the matters.*
‡ or, *sport.*
§ *land of the desert.*
‖ *in thy belly.*
[b] Mat. 25. 3, 4.
[c] or, *trust thou also.*
[d] Mat. 5. 6.
[e] Lu. 1. 3, 4.
[f] 1 Pe. 3. 15.
† or, *to those that send thee.*
[f] Ex. 23. 6. Job 31. 16, 21
[g] Ja. 3. 2.
[h] Zec. 7. 10. Mal. 3. 5.
[i] 1 Sa. 24. 12. 25. 39. Je. 51. 36.
‡ *the wrath of pride.*
[k] ch. 13. 4.
[l] Ps. 50. 9.
§ *in wickedness?*
‖ *witness of lies.*
[m] De. 19. 14.
[e] or, *bound.*
† or, *considereth.*
[n] Je. 9. 23. Ac. 5. 39.
‡ *obscure.*
§ or, *victory.*
[o] Ec. 7. 1.
‖ or, *favour is better than, &c.*
[p] 1 Co. 12. 21.
[r] 1 Ti. 6. 9, 10.
[s] Ro. 12. 16.
[e] *cause thine eyes to fly upon.*
† or, *The reward of.*
[t] Mat. 33.
[u] 1 Joo. 5. 18.
[a] Ps. 141. 4.
[x] De. 15. 9.
‡ or, *Catechise.*
[y] Ep. 6. 4. 2 Ti. 3. 15.
§ *in his way.*
[z] Ps. 12. 2.
[a] Ja. 2. 6.
‖ *man that tendeth.*
[e] or, *with the rod of his anger he shall be consumed.*
† *Good of eye*
[b] 2 Co. 9. 6.
[c] Mat. 7. 6.
[d] De. 19. 14.
‡ or, *bound.*
[e] Ge. 21. 9, 10.

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11 For [a] their redeemer *is* mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.

12 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.

13 Withhold not [d] correction from the child: for *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.

14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and [e] shalt deliver his soul from hell.

15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, [†] even mine.

16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

17 Let [g] not thine heart envy sinners: but [h] *be thou* in the fear of the LORD all the day long.

18 For [i] surely there is an [‡] end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.

19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

20 Be [m] not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of [‖] flesh:

21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe *a man* with rags.

22 Hearken [n] unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.

23 Buy [p] the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise *child* shall have joy of him.

25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

26 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

27 For a whore *is* a deep ditch; and a strange woman *is* a narrow pit.

28 She [u] also lieth in wait [§] as *for* a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.

29 Who [w] hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who [y] hath redness of eyes?

30 They [z] that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek [a] mixed wine.

31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, *when* it moveth itself aright.

32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like [b] an adder.

33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.

34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the [§] midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.

35 They [c] have stricken me, *shalt thou say, and* I was not sick; they have beaten me, *and* [§] I felt *it* not: [h] when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.

CHAP. XXIV.

BE not thou [h] envious against evil men, neither [l] desire to be with them.

2 For [m] their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.

3 Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established:

4 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

5 A [n] wise man [†] *is* strong; yea, a man of knowledge [‡] increaseth strength.

6 For [o] by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.

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[a] Job 31. 21.
[b] Ps. 10. 5.
[c] Ro. 1. 30.
[d] He. 12. 6. 8.
nurture.
[e] 1 Co. 5. 5.
[f] Is. 58. 6, 7. 1 Jno. 3. 16.
[†] or, *even I* will rejoice
[g] Ps. 37. 1.
[h] ch. 23. 14.
[i] Je. 32. 19. Ro. 2. 6. Re. 2. 23. 22. 12.
[k] Ps. 37. 37. Lu. 14. 33.
[‡] or, *reward.*
[l] Ca. 5. 1.
[§] *upon thy palate.*
[m] Is. 5. 22. Lu. 21. 34. Ro. 13. 13. Ep. 5. 18.
[‖] *their flesh.*
[n] Ep. 6. 1, 2.
[o] Job 5. 19. Ps. 34. 19. 37. 24. Mi. 7. 8.
[p] Mat. 13. 44.
[r] Ex. 7. 10. Re. 18. 21.
[s] Job 31. 29. Ps. 35. 15, 19. Ob. 12.
[t] *be evil in his eyes.*
[†] or, *keep not company with the wicked.*
[t] Job 18. 5, 6.
[‡] or, *lamp.*
[u] Ec. 7. 26.
[§] or, *as a robber.*
[w] Ro. 13. 7. 1 Pe. 2. 17.
[x] *changers.*
[y] Is. 5. 11, 22.
[z] Ca. 60. 12.
[a] Ep. 5. 18.
[b] Le. 19. 15. Jno. 7. 24.
[c] Ps. 73. 8.
[d] Is. 5. 23.
[e] or, *a cockatrice.*
[†] *a blessing of good.*
[‡] *answereth right words*
[d] 1 Ki. 5. 17, 18. Lu. 14. 28.
[§] *heart.*
[f] Je. 5. 3.
[g] Ep. 4. 25.
[h] Ep. 4. 19.
[‖] *knew.*
[h] De. 29. 19. Je. 36. 12.
[i] Mat. 5. 39, 44 Ro. 12. 17, 19
[k] Ps. 73. 3.
[l] Pr. 1. 15.
[m] Ps. 10. 7.
[n] *set my heart.*
[n] Ec. 9. 16.
[†] is *in strength.*
[‡] *strengtheneth might*
[o] Lu. 14. 31.
[§] *a man of should.*

7 Wisdom [k] *is* too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.

8 He that [e] deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.

9 The thought of foolishness *is* sin: and the scorner *is* an abomination to men.

10 *If* thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength *is* small.

11 If [f] thou forbear to deliver *them that are* drawn unto death, and *those that are* ready to be slain;

12 If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider *it*? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth *not* he know *it*? and shall *not* he render to *every* man [i] according to his works?

13 My son, [l] eat thou honey, because *it is* good; and the honeycomb, *which is* sweet [§] to thy taste:

14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisdom *be* unto thy soul: when thou hast found *it*, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.

15 Lay not wait, O wicked *man*, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place:

16 For [p] a just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: [r] but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

17 Rejoice [s] not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:

18 Lest the LORD see *it*, and it [t] displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.

20 For there shall be no reward to the evil *man*; [t] the [‡] candle of the wicked shall be put out.

21 My son, [v] fear thou the LORD and the king: *and* meddle not with [‖] them that are given to change:

22 For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?

23 These *things* also *belong* to the wise. [e] *It is* not good to have respect of persons in judgment.

24 He [e] that saith unto the wicked, Thou *art* righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:

25 But to them that rebuke *him* shall be delight, and [†] a good blessing shall come upon them.

26 *Every man* shall kiss *his* lips that [‡] giveth a right answer.

27 Prepare [d] thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.

28 Be [f] not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive *not* with thy lips.

29 Say [i] not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.

30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, *and* nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.

32 Then I saw, *and* [e] considered *it* well: I looked upon *it*, *and* received instruction.

33 *Yet a* little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

34 So shall thy poverty come *as* one that travelleth; and thy want as [§] an armed man.

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CHAP. XXV.

THESE [a] *are* also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.

2 *It* [b] *is* the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings *is* [c] to search out a matter.

3 The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings [d] *is* unsearchable.

4 Take [e] away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.

5 Take away the wicked *from* before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness.

6 † Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great *men*:

7 For [f] *better it is* that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.

8 Go [g] not forth hastily to strive, lest *thou know not* what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

9 Debate [h] thy cause with thy neighbour *himself;* and discover not ‡ a secret to another:

10 Lest he that heareth *it* put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.

11 A [m] word ‖ fitly spoken *is like* apples of gold in pictures of silver.

12 *As* an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

13 As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, *so is* a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.

14 Whoso boasteth himself † of a false gift *is like* [n] clouds and wind without rain.

15 By [o] long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

17 ‖ Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be [p] weary of thee, and so hate thee.

18 A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour *is* a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.

19 Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

20 *As* he that taketh away a garment in cold weather, *and as* vinegar upon nitre, so *is* he that [r] singeth songs to an heavy heart.

21 If [s] thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:

22 For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

23 The [t] north wind ‡ driveth away rain: so *doth* an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.

24 *It is* better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.

25 *As* cold waters to a thirsty soul, so *is* good news from a far country.

26 A righteous man falling down before the wicked *is as* a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.

27 *It is* not good to eat much honey: so *for men* to search their own glory *is* not glory.

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[a] 1 Ki. 4. 32.
[b] Ro. 11. 33.
[c] Job 29. 16.
[d] there is no *searching.*
[e] 2 Ti. 2. 21.
[f] Mat. 16. 1..4 21. 24..27
† *eyes.*
‡ *Set not out thy glory.*
§ or, *violence*
[g] Lu. 14. 8..10.
‖ *lifted up.*
[h] or, *pulleth a precious stone in an heap of stones.*
[i] Mat. 5. 25.
† or, *A great man grieveth all, and he hireth the fool. he hireth also transgressors.*
[k] Mat. 18. 15.
‡ or, *the secret of.*
[l] 2 Pe. 2. 22.
[m] Ex. 8. 15.
§ *iterateth his folly.*
[n] Lu. 18. 11. Ro. 12. 16. Re. 3. 17.
[o] Is. 50. 4.
‖ *spoken upon his wheels.*
[p] or, *he is weary.*
† *in a gift of falsehood.*
[q] Jude 12.
[r] 1 Sa. 23. 24, &c.
‡ or, *is enraged.*
§ *flames*, or, *sparks.*
‖ or, *Let thy foot be seldom in.*
[s] *full.*
[t] Ep. 5. 4.
† *Without wood.*
‡ or, *whisperer.*
§ *is silent.*
‖ *chambers.*
[u] Ro. 12. 15.
[v] Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 20.
[w] or, *is known.*
† *maketh his voice gracious.*
[x] Job 37. 22.
‡ *or, bringeth forth rain: so doth a backbiting tongue an angry countenance.*
§ or, *in secret*
‖ *to morrow day.*
[y] Lu. 12. 19, 20

28 He that *hath* no rule over his own spirit *is like* a city *that is* broken down, *and* without walls.

CHAP. XXVI.

AS snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

2 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.

3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.

4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.

5 Answer [a] a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own † conceit.

6 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, *and* drinketh § damage.

7 The legs of the lame are ‖ not equal: so *is a* parable in the mouth of fools.

8 As he that [b] bindeth a stone in a sling, so *is* he that giveth honour to a fool.

9 *As* a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so *is a* parable in the mouth of fools.

10 † The great *God* that formed all *things* both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth transgressors.

11 As [c] a dog returneth to his vomit, [d] so a fool § returneth to his folly.

12 Seest [e] thou a man wise in his own conceit? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.

13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion in the way; a lion *is* in the streets.

14 *As* the door turneth upon his hinges, so *doth* the slothful upon his bed.

15 The slothful hideth his hand in *his* bosom; [f] it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.

16 The sluggard [g] *is* wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.

17 He that passeth by, *and* ‡ meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the ears.

18 As a mad *man* who casteth § firebrands, arrows, and death,

19 So *is* the man *that* deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, [h] Am not I in sport?

20 † Where no wood is, *there* the fire goeth out: so where *there is* no ‡ talebearer, the strife § ceaseth.

21 *As* coals *are* to burning coals, and wood to fire; so *is a* contentious man to kindle strife.

22 The words of a talebearer *are as* wounds, and they go down into the ‖ innermost parts of the belly.

23 Burning lips and a wicked heart *are like* a potsherd covered with silver dross.

24 He that hateth [i] dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him;

25 When he † speaketh fair, believe him not: for *there are* seven abominations in his heart.

26 *Whose* hatred is covered § by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the *whole* congregation.

27 Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him.

28 A lying tongue hateth *those that are* afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.

CHAP. XXVII.

BOAST not thyself of ‖ to morrow; [m] for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth

[a] Pr. 29. 9.
[b] or, *pulleth a precious stone in an heap of stones.*
† or, *A great man grieveth all, and he hireth the fool. he hireth also transgressors.*
[c] 2 Pe. 2. 22.
[d] Ex. 8. 15.
§ *iterateth his folly.*
[e] Lu. 18. 11. Ro. 12. 16. Re. 3. 17.
[f] Is. 50. 4.
‖ *spoken upon his wheels.*
[g] or, *he is weary.*
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[l] *chambers.*
[m] Ro. 12. 15.
[n] Mat. 5. 44. Ro. 12. 20.
[o] or, *is known.*
† *maketh his voice gracious.*
[p] Job 37. 22.
‡ *or, bringeth forth rain: so doth a backbiting tongue an angry countenance.*
§ or, *in secret*
‖ *to morrow day.*
[q] Lu. 12. 19, 20

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2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

3 A stone *is* † heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath *is* heavier than them both.

4 Wrath *is* † cruel, and anger *is* outrageous; but [d] who *is* able to stand before § envy?

5 Open *f* rebuke *is* better than secret love.

6 Faithful [g] *are* the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy *are* ‖ deceitful.

7 The full soul [*] loatheth an honeycomb; but [h] to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.

8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so *is* a man that wandereth from his place.

9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so *doth* the sweetness of a man's friend § by hearty counsel.

10 Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: *for* better *is* a neighbour *that is* near than a brother far off.

11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, [m] that I may answer him that reproacheth me.

12 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, *and* hideth himself; *but* the simple pass on, *and* are punished.

13 Take [o] his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

16 Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, *which* bewrayeth *itself*.

17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

18 Whoso [u] keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

19 As in water face *answereth* to face, so the heart of man to man.

20 Hell [y] and destruction are † never full; so [z] the eyes of man are never satisfied.

21 *As* the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so *is* a man to his praise.

22 Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, *yet* will not his foolishness depart from him.

23 Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, *and* ‖ look well to thy herds.

24 For [a] riches *are* not for ever: and doth the crown *endure* to † every generation?

25 The [a] hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered.

26 The lambs *are* for thy clothing, and the goats *are* the price of the field.

27 And *thou shalt have* goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and *for* the § maintenance for thy maidens.

CHAP. XXVIII.

THE [e] wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.

2 For the transgression of a land many *are* the princes thereof: but ‖ by a man of understanding *and* knowledge the state *thereof* shall be prolonged.

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[a] Mat. 18. 28.
[*] *without.*
† *heaviness.*
[b] Ps. 10. 3. Ro. 1. 32.
[c] Mat. 14. 4. Ep. 5. 11.
‡ *cruelty, and anger an overflowing.*
[d] 1 Jno. 3. 12
[e] Jno. 7. 17. 1 Co. 2. 15. 1 Jno. 2. 20, 27.
§ or, *jealousy* ch. 6. 34.
f Ga. 2. 14.
[g] Ps. 141. 5.
‖ or, *earnest, or, frequent.*
[*] *treadeth under foot.*
† or, *feedeth gluttons.*
[h] Job 6. 7.
[i] Ec. 2. 26.
‡ *by increase*
[k] Zec. 7. 11.
§ *from the counsel of the soul.*
[l] Mat. 6. 33.
‖ *his eyes.*
[m] Ps. 127. 5.
[o] or, *sought for.*
[n] Ps. 32. 3, 5. 1 Jno. 1. 8, 10.
[o] Ex. 22. 26.
[p] Ps. 16. 6.
[r] Ro. 2. 5. 11. 20.
[s] 1 Ps. 5. 8.
[t] Mat. 7. 16.
[u] 1Co. 9. 7, 13.
[v] Hab. 2. 5.
† *not.*
[x] Ec. 1. 8.
[y] 1 Ti. 6. 9.
‡ or, *unpunished.*
[z] Ecc. 13. 19.
§ or, *hath an evil eye hasteth to be rich.*
‖ *set thy heart.*
[*] *strength.*
† *generation and generation.*
[a] Ps. 104. 14.
‡ *a man destroying.*
[b] 1 Ti. 6. 6.
§ *life.*
[*] Lu. 16. 17.
[d] De. 15. 7, &c.
‖ or, *by men of understanding and wisdom shall they likewise be.*

3 A [e] poor man that oppresseth the poor *is like* a sweeping rain [*] which leaveth no food.

4 They [f] that forsake the law praise the wicked: [g] but such as keep the law contend with them.

5 Evil men understand not judgment: but [*] they that seek the LORD understand all *things*.

6 Better *is* the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than *he that is* perverse *in his ways*, though he *be* rich.

7 Whoso keepeth the law *is* a wise son: but he that † is a companion of riotous *men* shameth his father.

8 He [i] that by usury and ‡ unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.

9 He [k] that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer *shall be* abomination.

10 Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: [l] but the upright shall have good *things* in possession.

11 The rich man *is* wise in [‖] his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.

12 When righteous *men* do rejoice, *there is* great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is [*] hidden.

13 He [n] that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh *them* shall have mercy.

14 Happy *is* the man [p] that feareth alway: [r] but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.

15 *As* [s] a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; [t] *so is* a wicked ruler over the poor people.

16 The prince that wanteth understanding *is* also a great oppressor: *but* he that hateth covetousness shall prolong *his* days.

17 A man that doeth violence to the blood of *any* person shall flee to the pit; let no man stay him.

18 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but *he that is* perverse *in his* ways shall fall at once.

19 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain *persons* shall have poverty enough.

20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: [y] but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be † innocent.

21 To have respect of persons *is* not good: for [z] for a piece of bread *that* man will transgress.

22 He that § hasteth to be rich *hath* an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.

23 He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.

24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, *It is* no transgression; the same *is* the companion of ‡ a destroyer.

25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: [b] but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

27 He [d] that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.

28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase.

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CHAP. XXIX.

HE, [a] that [b] being often reproved hardeneth *his* neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

2 When [c] the righteous are [†] in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.

3 Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: [d] but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth *his* substance.

4 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but [§] he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

5 A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

6 In the transgression of an evil man *there is* a snare: but the righteous doth sing and rejoice.

7 The [k] righteous considereth the cause of the poor: *but* the wicked regardeth not to know *it*.

8 Scornful men [†] bring a city into a snare: but wise *men* [m] turn away wrath.

9 *If* a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, [n] whether he rage or laugh, *there is* no rest.

10 ‖ The [p] bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

11 A [r] fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise *man* keepeth it in till afterwards.

12 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants *are* wicked.

13 The poor and the [†] deceitful man meet together: [t] the LORD lighteneth both their eyes.

14 The king that faithfully [u] judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established forever.

15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left *to himself* bringeth his mother to shame.

16 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.

17 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.

18 Where [a] *there is* no vision, the people [§] perish: but [b] he that keepeth the law, happy *is* he.

19 A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.

20 Seest thou a man *that is* hasty in his [c] words? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.

21 He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become *his* son at the length.

22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.

23 A [d] man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.

24 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: [e] he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth *it* not.

25 The [f] fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be [‡] safe.

26 Many [h] seek [§] the ruler's favour; but *every* man's judgment *cometh* from the LORD.

27 An unjust man *is* an abomination to the just: and *he that is* upright in the way *is* abomination to the wicked.

CHAP. XXX.

THE words of Agur the son of Jakeh, *even* the prophecy: the man spake unto Ithiel, even unto Ithiel and Ucal,

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[a] Ps. 73. 22.
[b] *A man of reproofs.*
[c] 1 Sa. 2. 25. 2 Ch. 35. 16.
[†] *know.*
[d] Ge. 8. 15.
[‡] or, *increased.*
[d] Jno. 3. 13.
[e] Is. 40. 12, &c
[f] Lu. 15. 13, 30
[§] *a man of oblations.*
[g] Ps. 19. 8. 119. 140.
‖ *purified.*
[h] Ps. 84. 11.
[i] De. 4. 2. 12. 32. Re. 22. 18, 19
[k] Job 29. 16. 31. 13. Ps. 41. 1.
[l] *withhold not from me.*
[m] Mat. 6. 11.
[†] or, *set a city on fire.*
[‡] *of my allowance.*
[m] Exe. 22. 30.
[n] De. 32. 15. Ho. 13. 6.
[§] *help thee.*
[o] Mat. 11. 17.
‖ *Men of blood.*
[p] Ge. 4. 5, 8. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[q] *Hurt not with thy tongue.*
[r] Ju. 16. 17.
[†] or, *usurer.*
[s] Lu. 18. 11.
[t] Mat. 5. 45.
[u] Ps. 72. 2, 4, 13, 14.
[v] Ps. 131. 1.
[x] Job 29. 17. Ps. 52. 2. 57. 4.
[y] Ps. 14. 4. Am. 8. 4.
[‡] *Wealth.*
[a] Hab. 2. 5.
[a] 1 Sa. 3. 1. Am. 8. 11, 12
[§] or, *is made naked.*
[b] Jno. 13. 17. Ja. 1. 25.
[c] Ge. 2. 22. Le. 20. 9.
‖ or, *brook.*
[e] or, *matters.*
[†] *heart.*
[d] Is. 65. 2. Da. 4. 30, &c Lu. 18. 14. Ac. 12. 23. Ja. 4. 6, 10. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[e] Le. 5. 1.
[f] Ec. 10. 7.
[g] Ge. 12. 12. Mat. 26. 69 .75. Ga. 2. 11..13
[‡] *set on high.*
[h] Ps. 20. 9.
[§] *the face of a ruler.*
‖ *wise, made wise.*
[e] *gathered together.*

2 Surely [a] I *am* more brutish than *any* man, and have not the understanding of a man.

3 I neither learned wisdom, nor [†] have the knowledge of the holy.

4 Who [d] hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? [e] who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his son's name, if thou canst tell?

5 Every [f] word of God *is* [‡] pure: [h] he *is* a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

6 Add [i] thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

7 Two *things* have I required of thee; [e] deny me *them* not before I die:

8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; [l] feed me with food [†] convenient for me:

9 Lest [m] I be full, and [§] deny *thee*, and say, Who *is* the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God *in* vain.

10 [o] Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.

11 *There is* a generation *that* curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.

12 *There is* a generation [s] *that are* pure in their own eyes, and *yet* is not washed from their filthiness.

13 *There is* a generation, O how [v] lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up.

14 *There* [x] *is* a generation, whose teeth *are as* swords, and their jaw teeth *as* knives, [y] to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from *among* men.

15 The horseleach hath two daughters, *crying*, Give, give. There are three *things that* are never satisfied, *yea*, four *things* say not, [‡] *It is* enough:

16 The [a] grave; and the barren womb; the earth *that* is not filled with water; and the fire *that* saith not, *It is* enough.

17 The [e] eye *that* mocketh at *his* father, and despiseth to obey *his* mother, the ravens of the ‖ valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.

18 There be three *things which* are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not:

19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the [†] midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.

20 Such *is* the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.

21 For three *things* the earth is disquieted, and for four *which* it cannot bear:

22 For [f] a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he is filled with meat;

23 For an odious *woman* when she is married; and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress.

24 There be four *things which are* little upon the earth, but they *are* ‖ exceeding wise:

25 The ants *are* a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer;

26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;

27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them [e] by bands;

28 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

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29 There be three *things* which go well, yea, four are comely in going:

30 A lion *which is* strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any;

31 A [a] greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom *there is* no rising up.

32 If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, or if thou hast thought evil, *lay* [e] thine hand upon thy mouth.

33 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

CHAP. XXXI.

THE words of king Lemuel, [d] the prophecy that his mother taught him.

2 What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows?

3 Give *not* thy strength unto women, nor thy ways [e] to that which destroyeth kings.

4 *It is* not for kings, O Lemuel, *it is* not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink:

5 Lest [f] they drink, and forget the law, and [g] pervert the judgment [†] of any of the afflicted.

6 Give [h] strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be [‡] of heavy hearts.

7 Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more.

8 Open [m] thy mouth for the dumb [n] in the cause of all [§] such as are appointed to destruction.

9 Open thy mouth, [p] judge righteously, and [q] plead the cause of the poor and needy.

10 [¶] Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price *is* far above rubies.

11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

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[a] Ro. 12. 11.
[b] Lu. 12. 42.
[c] *girt in the loins*, or, *horse.*
[†] *taketh.*
[d] Job 40. 4.
[‡] *tasteth.*
[e] ch. 30. 1.
[§] *spreadeth.*
[f] Ep. 4. 28. Ha. 13. 16.
[g] ch. 5. 9.
[h] De. 17. 17.
[‖] or, *double garments.*
[i] ch. 12. 4. Ho. 4. 11.
[k] *alter.*
[†] *of all the sons of affliction.*
[l] Ps. 104. 15. Is. 61. 10. 1 Ti. 2. 10. 1 Pe. 3. 5, 6.
[‡] *bitter of soul.*
[m] Ac. 18. 26. Ep. 4. 29. Col. 4. 5.
[n] Job 29. 15, 16.
[o] 1 Sa. 19. 4. Es. 4. 16.
[§] *the sons of destruction.*
[p] Le. 19. 15.
[q] Je. 22. 16.
[‖] or, *have gotten riches.*
[r] 1 Pe. 3. 4, 5

14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

15 She [s] riseth also while it is yet night, and [t] giveth meat to her houshold, and a portion to her maidens.

16 She considereth a field, and [†] buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

18 She [‡] perceiveth that her merchandise *is* good: her candle goeth not out by night.

19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

20 She [§] stretcheth [r] out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household *are* clothed with [‖] scarlet.

22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing *is* silk and purple.

23 Her [k] husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth *it*; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

25 Strength and honour [l] *are* her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

26 She openeth her mouth [m] with wisdom; and in her tongue *is* the law of kindness.

27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband *also*, and he praiseth her.

29 Many daughters [¶] have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.

30 Favour *is* deceitful, and beauty *is* vain: *but* [r] a woman *that* feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

[s] 1 Pe. 3. 4, 5

GENERAL REMARKS ON PROVERBS.

PROVERBS are usually short sayings in metaphorical language. By such sayings the ancients often communicated wisdom. The Book of Proverbs is attributed to Solomon. It is said that Solomon spoke no less than three thousand proverbs (1 Kings iv. 32); and as it is not stated that these were *written* by him, some have supposed they were taken down by various hands, as he *spoke* them, and were afterwards collected, as mentioned by Hezekiah in the twenty-fifth chapter.

Dr. Mason Good has divided the Proverbs into four distinct books or parts, each of which, he observes, is distinguished by an obvious introduction and a change of style and manner. The *Exordium*, or FIRST PART, 'is chiefly confined to the conduct of juvenescence or early life.' 'All the most formidable dangers to which this season of life is exposed, and the sins which most easily beset it, are painted with the hand of a master. And whilst the progress and issues of vice are exhibited, under a variety of the most striking delineations and metaphors, in their utmost deformity and horror, all the beauties of language and all the force of eloquence are poured forth in the diversified form of earnest expostulation, insinuating tenderness, captivating argument, picturesque description, daring personification, and sublime allegory, to win the ingenuous youth to virtue and piety, and to fix him in the steady pursuit of his duties towards God and towards man. Virtue is pronounced on the very outset to be essential wisdom, and vice or wickedness essential folly; and the personifications, thus forcibly struck out at the opening of the work, are continued to its close. The only wise man, therefore, is declared to be the truly good and virtuous, or he that fears God and reverences his law: whilst the man of vice or wickedness is a fool, a dolt, an infatuated sot, a stubborn, froward, or perverse wretch, and an abomination to Jehovah.' This part ends with the ninth chapter. PART II. comprises short sententious Declarations for the use of persons who have advanced from youth to manhood. 'The great object in each of the Proverbs or axioms of the present part is, to enforce a moral principle in words so few that they may be easily learned, and so curiously selected and arranged, that they may strike and fix the attention instantaneously; whilst, to prevent the mind from becoming fatigued by a long series of detached sentences, they are perpetually diversified by the most playful changes of style and figure.' This part is distinguished from chap. x. inclusive to chap. xxii. 16. PART III. contains a miscellaneous collection of Proverbs, principally relating to rich men and nobles. (Chap. xxii. 17—xxiv.) PART IV. is a posthumous appendix, consisting of various parabolic compositions, written and communicated by Solomon on different occasions, but never published by himself in an arranged form. Some are repetitions. The second section of this is composed of the ethical precepts delivered by "Agur the son of Jakeh" to his friends Ithiel and Ucal; and the third contains the admonitions given to king Lemuel by his mother, a queen, when he was in the flower of youth and high expectation.'

The Apostles frequently cited the Proverbs as a rule of conduct for Christians. The New Testament references are Matt. vi. 11; xii. 37; xxv. 41; Luke xiv. 8—10; John vii. 37; Rom. xii. 20; 1 Cor. ii. 15; Ephes. vi. 4; Heb. xii. 5, 6; James i. 19; ii. 1; iv. 6, 13; v. 20; 1 Pet. v. 3; 1 John v. 8; ii. 20—27.

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NESTS OF THE WHITE ANT.—*From Nature.*—Prov. vi. 6.



EASTERN WINDOWS AND LATTICES.—*Original Sketch.*—Prov. vii. 6.

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ECCLESIASTES; Or, The PREACHER.

A discourse on the way to attain true happiness.

CHAP. I.

THE words [a] of the Preacher, the son of David, king of Jerusalem.

2 Vanity [b] of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; [c] all *is* vanity.

3 What [d] profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

4 *One* generation passeth away, and *another* generation cometh: [e] but the earth abideth for ever.

5 The [f] sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and [†] hasteth to his place where he arose.

6 The [g] wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.

7 All [h] the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea *is* not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they [§] return again.

8 All things *are* full of labour; man cannot utter *it*: [i] the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

9 The [k] thing that hath been, it *is that* which shall be; and that which is done *is* that which shall be done: and *there is* no new *thing* under the sun.

10 Is there *any* thing whereof it may be said, See, this *is* new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

11 *There is* no remembrance of former *things*; neither shall there be *any* remembrance of *things* that are to come with *those* that shall come after.

12 ¶ I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

13 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all *things* that are done under heaven: [l] this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man [‡] to be exercised therewith.

14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

15 *That* [t] *which is* crooked cannot be made straight: and [§] that which is wanting cannot be numbered.

16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten [m] more wisdom than all *they* that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had [‖] great experience of wisdom and knowledge.

17 And [y] I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also *is* vexation of spirit.

18 For [n] in much wisdom *is* much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

CHAP. II.

I [o] SAID in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, [c] this also *is* vanity.

2 I [f] said of laughter, *It is* mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?

3 I [h] sought in mine heart to [†] give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what *was* that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven [§] all the days of their life.

4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

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[a] ch.12.8..10. 2 Pe. 2. 5.
[b] Ps. 39. 5, 6. 62. 9. 144. 4.
[c] Ro. 8. 20.
[d] Is. 55. 2. Jno. 6. 27.
[e] *sons of my house.*
[f] Ps. 104. 5.
[g] 1 Ki. 9. 28. 10.10,14. 21,&c.
[§] Pa. 19. 5, 6.
[†] *panteth.*
[h] Jno. 3. 8.
[‡] *musical instrument and instruments.*
[i] Job 38. 10. Ps. 104.8,9.
[§] *return to go.*
[k] ch. 3. 22. 5. 18. 9. 9.
[l] Pr. 27. 20.
[m] ch. 3. 15.
[n] ch. 1. 3, 14.
[o] ch. 7. 25.
[‖] or, *in those things which have been already done*
[•] *that there is an excellency in wisdom more than in folly, &c.*
[p] ch. 8. 1. Pr. 17. 24
[r] ch.9. 2,3,11. Ps. 49. 10.
[s] Ge. 3. 19.
[†] *happeneth to me, even to me.*
[‡] or, *to afflict them.*
[t] Is. 40. 4.
[§] *defect.*
[u] Ha. 9. 27.
[v] Ph.1.23..25
[x] 1Ki.3.12,13 4. 30. 10.7,23.
[‖] *seen much.*
[y] ch. 7. 23,25. 1 Th. 5. 21.
[•] *laboured.*
[z] Pa. 49. 10.
[a] ch. 12. 12.
[b] 1 Ki. 12. 1, &c.
[c] Lu. 12. 19.
[d] Lu. 16. 8. Ja. 1. 17. 2. 17.
[e] Is. 50. 11.
[f] Pr. 14. 13.
[g] 1 Co. 15. 19.
[h] ch. 1. 17.
[†] *draw my flesh with wine.*
[‡] *give.*
[§] *the number of the days.*

5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all *kind of* fruits:

6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

7 I got *me* servants and maidens, and had [•] servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

8 I [f] gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, *as* [‡] musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

10 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and [h] this was my portion of all my labour.

11 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all *was* [•] vanity and vexation of spirit, and *there was* no profit under the sun.

12 ¶ And I turned myself to behold wisdom, [•] and madness, and folly: for what *can* the man *do* that cometh after the king? [‖] *even* that which hath been already done.

13 Then I saw [•] that wisdom excel[r]th folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

14 The [p] wise man's eyes *are* in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that [r] one event happeneth to them all.

15 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it [†] happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also *is* vanity.

16 For *there is* no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now *is* in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And [u] how dieth the wise *man?* as the fool.

17 Therefore [•] I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun *is* grievous unto me: for all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

18 ¶ Yea, I hated all my labour which I had [•] taken under the sun: because [s] I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

19 And who [b] knoweth whether he shall be a wise *man* or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself [d] wise under the sun. This *is* also vanity.

20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart [c] to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

21 For there is a man whose labour *is* in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he [‡] leave it *for* his portion. This also *is* vanity and a great evil.

22 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

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23 For all his days *are* [a] sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

24 ¶ *There* [b] *is* nothing better for a man, *than* that he should eat and drink, and *that* he should [†] make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it *was* from the hand of God.

25 For who can eat, or who else can hasten *hereunto*, more than I?

26 For *God* giveth to a man that *is* good [‡] in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that [*f*] he may give to *him that is* good before God. This also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

CHAP. III.

TO every *thing there is* a season, and a [a] time to every purpose under the heaven:

2 A time [b] to be born, and [*c*] a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up *that which is* planted;

3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and [*e*] a time [†] to refrain from embracing;

6 A time to [*f*] get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; [*g*] a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

8 A time to love, and a time to [*r*] hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

9 What [*s*] profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?

10 I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.

11 He hath made every *thing* beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that [*t*] no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.

12 I know that *there is* no good in them, but for *a man* to rejoice, and to do good in his life.

13 And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it *is* the gift of God.

14 I know that, whatsoever [*u*] God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth *it*, that *men* should fear before him.

15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is [*v*] past.

16 ¶ And moreover [*g*] I saw under the sun the place of judgment, *that* wickedness *was* there; and the place of righteousness, *that* iniquity *was* there.

17 I said in mine heart, [*x*] God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for *there is* a time there for every purpose and for every work.

18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that [†] God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.

19 For [*c*] that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all *is* vanity.

20 All go unto one place; [*a*] all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.

21 Who [*b*] knoweth the spirit [§] of man

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[a] Job 5. 7. 14. 1.
[b] *is ascending.*
[b] ch. 5. 18. 11. 9.
[c] ch. 8. 15.
[†] or, *delight has senses.*
[d] ch. 10. 14.
[e] ch. 5. 8.
[‡] *before him.* Ge. 7. 1. Lu. 1. 6.
[f] Job 27. 16, 17 Pr. 28. 8.
[§] *hand.*
[g] Mat. 26. 56. 2 Th. 1. 4. 1 Ti. 6. 16, 17.
[a] Job 3. 17, &c.
[b] Job 3. 11, 16.
[c] 2 Ki. 5. 26. 2 Ch. 33. 12. Pr. 15. 33.
[†] *to bear.*
[d] He. 9. 27.
[e] *all the rightness of work.*
[†] *this is the envy of a man from.*
[f] Pr. 6. 10. 24. 33.
[g] Pr. 15. 16, 17 16. 8.
[h] Joel 2. 16. 1 Co. 7. 5.
[‡] *to be far from.*
[§] or, *seek.*
[i] Am. 5. 13.
[k] Lu. 14. 26.
[l] Pr. 27. 20. 1 Jno. 2. 16.
[m] ch. 1. 3.
[n] Ps. 39. 6.
[o] Ro. 11. 33.
[p] Ep. 3. 11. Tit. 1. 2. Ja. 1. 17.
[‖] *knoweth not to be admonished.*
[q] *driven away.*
[r] ch. 5. 8.
[s] Ro. 2. 6, 8. 2 Co. 5. 10. 2 Th. 1. 6, 7.
[t] Ex. 3. 5. Is. 1. 12, &c.
[†] or, *they might fear God, and see, &c.*
[u] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ps. 50. 8. Pr. 15. 8. 21. 27. Ho. 6. 6.
[v] Ps. 49. 12, 20. 73. 22.
[‡] or, *word.*
[a] Pr. 10. 19. Mat. 6. 7.
[b] Ge. 3. 19.
[c] Pr. 10. 19.
[d] ch. 12. 7.
[§] *of the sons of man.*
[a] Nu. 30. 2. De. 23. 21. 23. Ps. 50. 14. 76. 11.

that [*d*] goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?

22 Wherefore [*a*] I perceive that *there is* nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that *is* his portion: [*b*] for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?

CHAP. IV.

SO I returned, and considered all the [*a*] oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of *such as were* oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the [§] side of their oppressors *there was* power; but [*b*] they had no comforter.

2 Wherefore [*a*] I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive.

3 Yea, [*c*] better *is he* than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil work that is done under the sun.

4 ¶ Again, I considered all travail, and [*d*] every right work, that [†] for this a man is envied of his neighbour. This *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit.

5 The [*e*] fool folideth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.

6 Better [*a*] *is* an handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* travail and vexation of spirit.

7 ¶ Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

8 There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet *is there* no end of all his labour; neither is his [*f*] eye satisfied with riches; [*g*] neither *saith he*, For whom do I labour, and bereave my soul of good? This *is* also vanity, yea, it *is* a sore travail.

9 ¶ Two *are* better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him *that is* alone when he falleth; for *he hath* not another to help him up.

11 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm *alone?*

12 And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

13 ¶ Better *is* a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who [*h*] will no more be admonished.

14 For out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also *he that is* born in his kingdom becometh poor.

15 I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.

16 *There is* no end of all the people, *even* of all that have been before them: they also that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

CHAP. V.

KEEP [*a*] thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, [*b*] than to give the sacrifice of fools for they consider not that they do evil.

2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *any* [‡] thing before God: for God *is* in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words [*d*] be few.

3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and [*f*] a fool's voice *is known* by multitude of words.

4 When [*b*] thou vowest a vow unto God,

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defer not to pay it; for *he hath* no pleasure in fools: [a] pay that which thou hast vowed.

5 Better [b] *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.

6 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; [c] neither say thou before the angel, that it *was* an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?

7 For in the multitude of dreams and many words *there are* also *divers* vanities: but [d] fear thou God.

8 ¶ If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a province, marvel not at the [†] matter: for [e] *he that is* higher than the highest regardeth; and *there be* higher than they.

9 ¶ Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king *himself* is served by the field.

10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this *is* also vanity.

11 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the owners thereof, saving the beholding *of them* with their eyes?

12 The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.

13 There [f] is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.

14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in his hand.

15 As [m] he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.

16 And this also *is* a sore evil, *that* in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit hath he [p] that hath laboured for the wind?

17 All his days also [q] he eateth in darkness, and *he hath* much sorrow and wrath with his sickness.

18 ¶ Behold *that* which I have seen: [r] *it* [m] *is* good and comely *for one* to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun [‡] all the days of his life, which God giveth him: for it *is* his portion.

19 Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this *is* the gift of God.

20 [s] For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because [t] God answereth *him* in the joy of his heart.

CHAP. VI.

THERE is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it *is* common among men:

2 A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth, and honour, [u] so that he wanteth nothing for his soul of all that he desireth, [h] yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a stranger eateth it: this *is* vanity, and it *is* an evil disease.

3 ¶ If a man beget an hundred *children*, and live many years, so that the days of his years be many, and his soul be not filled with good, and [v] also *that* he have no burial; I say, *that* an untimely birth *is* better than he.

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[a] Ps. 66. 13, 14.
[b] Pr. 20. 25. Ac. 5. 4.
[c] 1 Co. 11. 10.
[d] Pr. 16. 26.
[e] *soul.*
[f] ch. 12. 13. Is. 50. 10.
[†] *walking of the soul.*
[‡] *soul*, or, *purpose.*
[g] Ps. 12. 5. 58. 11. 82. 1. Lu. 1. 52, 76.
[g] Job 9. 32. Is. 45. 9. Ja. 4. 12. 19.
[§] *the number of the days of the life of his vanity.*
[h] Ps. 102. 11. 109. 23. 144. 4. Ja. 4. 14.
[i] Ps. 39. 6.
[k] Pr. 15. 30. 22. 1.
[l] ch. 6. 1.
[‖] or, *Anger.*
[m] 2 Co. 7. 10.
[n] Job 1. 21. Ps. 49. 17. 1 Ti. 6. 7.
[o] Ps. 141. 5. Pr. 13. 18. 15. 31, 32.
[p] Pr. 11. 29. Jno. 6. 27.
[q] Ps. 118. 12.
[r] *sound.*
[s] Ps. 127. 2.
[t] Ex. 23. 5. De. 16. 19.
[†] there is a *good which is comely, &c.*
[m] ch. 9. 7. 11. 9. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[u] Pr. 14. 29.
[‡] *the number of the days.*
[w] 1 Sa. 25. 21, 22. Ja. 1. 19.
[§] *out of wisdom.*
[‖] or, *as good as an inheritance, yea, better too.*
[v] or, *Though* he give not much, yet he remembereth, &c.
[x] Ro. 5. 1, 2, 11.
[†] *shadow.*
[y] Is. 14. 27.
[z] Ps. 17. 14. 73. 7.
[a] De. 28. 47.
[b] Lu. 12. 20.
[‡] *made.*
[c] 2 Ki. 9. 35. Is. 14. 19, 20. Je. 22. 19.

4 For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his name shall be covered with darkness.

5 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known *any thing:* this hath more rest than the other.

6 ¶ Yea, though he live a thousand years twice *told*, yet hath he seen no good: do not all go to one place?

7 All [x] the labour of man *is for* his mouth, and yet the [a] appetite is not filled.

8 For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor, that knoweth to walk before the living?

9 ¶ Better *is* the sight of the eyes than the [†] wandering of the desire: this *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit.

10 That which hath been is named already, and it is known that it *is* man: [y] neither may he contend with him that is mightier than he.

11 ¶ Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the better?

12 For who knoweth what *is* good for man *in this* life, [‡] all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as [z] a shadow? for [‡] who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?

CHAP. VII.

A [a] GOOD name *is* better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

2 ¶ *It is* better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that *is* the end of all men; and the living will lay *it* to his heart.

3 ¶ Sorrow *is* better than laughter: [m] for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.

4 The heart of the wise *is* in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools *is* in the house of mirth.

5 *It* [o] *is* better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

6 For [r] as the [o] crackling of thorns under a pot, so *is* the laughter of the fool: this also *is* vanity.

7 ¶ Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad; [s] and a gift destroyeth the heart.

8 Better *is* the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: *and* [b] the patient in spirit *is* better than the proud in spirit.

9 Be [m] not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

10 Say not thou, What *is the cause* that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire [§] wisely concerning this.

11 ¶ Wisdom *is* [§] good with an inheritance: and *by it there is* profit to them that see the sun.

12 For wisdom *is* a [†] defence, *and* money *is* a defence: but the excellency of knowledge *is, that* wisdom giveth life to them that have it.

13 Consider the work of God: for [y] who can make *that* straight, which he hath made crooked?

14 In [c] the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath [‡] set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.

15 All *things* have I seen in the days of my vanity: there is a just *man* that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a wicked *man* that prolongeth *his life* in his wickedness.

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16 Be [a] not righteous over much; [b] neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou [c] destroy thyself?

17 Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: [d] why shouldest thou die [†] before thy time?

18 *It is* good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine hand: for he that feareth God shall come forth of them all.

19 Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty *men* which are in the city.

20 For [‡] *there* is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

21 Also [‖] take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse thee:

22 For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.

23 ¶ All this have I proved by wisdom: [e] I said, I will be wise; but it *was* far from me.

24 That [f] which is far off, and [m] exceeding deep, who can find it out?

25 § I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason *of things*, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness *and* madness:

26 And I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart *is* snares and nets, *and* her hands *as* bands: [‖] whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her.

27 Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, [o] *counting* one by one, to find out the account:

28 Which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not: [p] one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found.

29 Lo, this only have I found, [r] that God hath made man upright; but [s] they have sought out many inventions.

CHAP. VIII.

WHO *is* as the wise *man?* and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? [m] a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and [v] the [‡] boldness of his face shall be changed.

2 I *counsel thee* to keep the king's commandment, [x] and *that* in regard of the oath of God.

3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

4 Where the word of a king *is*, *there is* power: and [z] who may say unto him, What doest thou?

5 Whoso [a] keepeth the commandment shall § feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

6 ¶ Because [b] to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man *is* great upon him.

7 For *he* knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him [‖] when it shall be?

8 *There* [c] *is* no man that hath power [d] over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither *hath he* power in the day of death: and *there is* no [e] discharge in *that* war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

9 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: *there is* a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

10 And so I saw the wicked buried, who

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[a] Pr. 25. 16.
[b] Ro. 12. 3.
[c] *be desolate.*
[d] Ps. 50. 21. Is. 26. 10. Job 15. 32.
[†] *not in thy time.*
[e] Is. 65. 20. Ro. 2. 5.
[f] Is. 3. 10, 11. Mat. 25. 34, 41.
[‡] Ro. 3. 23. 1 Jno. 1. 8.
[‖] *give not thine heart.*
[g] ch. 2. 14. 7. 15. 9. 1...3. Ps. 73. 14.
[h] Ro. 1. 22.
[i] ch. 2. 24. 3. 12,22. 5. 18. 9. 7.
[k] 1 Ti. 4. 16.
[m] Ro. 11. 33.
[§] *I and my heart* compassed.
[‖] he that is *good before God.*
[m] ch. 3. 11. Job 5. 9. Ro. 11. 33.
[o] or, weighing *one thing after another, to find out the reason.*
[p] Ps. 73. 16.
[r] Job 33. 23.
[s] *I gave*, or, *set to my heart.*
[t] Ge. 1. 27.
[u] Ge. 3. 6, 7.
[v] Job21.7,&c Ps. 73. 3, 12, 13. Mal. 3. 15.
[x] Ac. 6. 15.
[y] De. 28. 50.
[‡] *strength.*
[z] 1 Ch. 29. 24. Ro. 13. 5.
[a] Mat. 15. 19, 20. Ro.1.29..31 Tit. 3. 3.
[b] Job 34. 18.
[c] Mat. 22. 21. Ro.13.5..7. 1Pe.3.13,14
[§] *know.*
[‖] Ho. 9. 27.
[d] ch. 3. 1.
[e] Job 14. 21.
[f] Is. 53. 16.
[g] Job 7. 8..10 Is. 26. 14.
[h] Pr. 24. 22.
[i] Mat. 2. 20.
[‖] or, *how it shall be?*
[k] Ps. 49. 6, 7.
[l] Job 14. 5.
[m] ch. 9. 15.
[n] or, *casting off weapons*
[†] *See*, or, *enjoy life.*

had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this *is* also vanity.

11 Because [f] sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

12 ¶ Though [g] a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his *days* be prolonged, yet surely I know that [h] it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:

13 But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong *his* days, *which are* as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

14 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just *men*, unto whom it [‖] happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked *men*, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also *is* vanity.

15 Then [k] I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.

16 ¶ When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth: (for also *there is that* neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)

17 Then I beheld all the work of God, that [m] a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek *it* out, yet he shall not find *it*; yea farther; though a wise *man* think to know *it*, [‖] yet shall he not be able to find *it*.

CHAP. IX.

FOR all this [†] I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, *are* in the hand of God: no man knoweth either love or hatred *by* all *that is* before them.

2 All [‡] *things come* alike to all: *there is* one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as *is* the good, so *is* the sinner; *and* he that sweareth, as *he* that feareth an oath.

3 This *is* an evil among all *things* that are done under the sun, that *there is* one event unto all: yea, also [y] the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness *is* in their heart while they live, and after that *they go* to the dead.

4 ¶ For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion.

5 For [z] the living know that they shall die: but [a] the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for [b] the memory of them is forgotten.

6 Also their love, [c] and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done under the sun.

7 ¶ Go thy way, [d] eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works.

8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.

9 [†] Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for

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that *is* thy portion in *this* life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.

10 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, [a]do *it* with thy might; for *there is* no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

11 ¶ I returned, [b]and saw under the sun, that the race *is* not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

12 For [c] man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so *are* the sons of men [d] snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

13 ¶ This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it *seemed* great unto me:

14 *There* [e] *was* a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulworks against it:

15 Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man.

16 Then [a] said I, Wisdom *is* better than strength: nevertheless [p] the poor man's wisdom *is* despised, and his words are not heard.

17 The words of wise *men are* heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools.

18 Wisdom *is* better than weapons of war: but [c] one sinner destroyeth much good.

CHAP. X.

DEAD [§] flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour: *so doth* a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom *and* honour.

2 A wise man's heart *is* at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.

3 Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his [a] wisdom faileth *him*, [a]and he saith to every one *that* he *is* a fool.

4 If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, [r] leave not thy place; for [s] yielding pacifieth great offences.

5 There is an evil *which* I have seen under the sun, as an error *which* proceedeth [t] from the ruler:

6 Folly [u] is set in great [‡] dignity, and the rich sit in low place.

7 I have seen servants [b] upon horses, and princes walking as servants upon the earth.

8 He [d] that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an hedge, a serpent shall bite him.

9 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; *and* he that cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby.

10 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom *is* profitable to direct.

11 Surely the serpent will bite [f] without enchantment; and a babbler is no better.

12 The words of a wise man's mouth *are* [a] gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

13 The beginning of the words of his mouth *is* foolishness: and the end of his [‡] talk *is* mischievous madness.

14 A fool also [§] is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after him, who can tell him?

15 The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.

16 ¶ Woe [a] to thee, O land, when thy king *is* a child, and thy princes eat in the morning!

17 Blessed *art* thou, O land, when thy king *is* the son of nobles, and [d] thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness!

18 ¶ By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

19 ¶ A feast is made for laughter, and wine [f] maketh [a] merry: but money answereth all *things*.

20 ¶ Curse [b] not the king, no not in thy [†] thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

CHAP. XI.

CAST thy bread [b] upon the [‡] waters: [f] for thou shalt find it after many days.

2 Give [m] a portion to seven, and also to eight; [n] for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth.

3 If the clouds be full of rain, they empty *themselves* upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

4 He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

5 As [o] thou knowest not what *is* the way of the spirit, [g] *nor* how the bones *do grow* in the womb of her that is with child, even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.

6 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall [‖] prosper, either this or that, or whether they both *shall be* alike good.

7 ¶ Truly the light *is* sweet, and a pleasant *thing it is* for the eyes [a] to behold the sun:

8 But if a man live many years, *and* rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh *is* vanity.

9 ¶ Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, [e] and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these *things* [e] God will bring thee into judgment.

10 Therefore remove [§] sorrow from thy heart, and [e] put away evil from thy flesh: for [f] childhood and youth *are* vanity.

CHAP. XII.

REMEMBER [g] now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, [h] when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders [†] cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

4 And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;

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[a] Is. 3. 4, 5, 12. 5. 11.
[b] Jno. 4. 34. Ro. 13. 11.
[c] Am. 2. 14, 15. Je. 9. 23.
[d] Pr. 31. 4.
[e] ch. 8. 7.
[f] Ps. 104. 15.
[g] *glad the life.*
[d] Pr. 29. 6. Lu. 12. 20, 39 17. 26, &c. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[h] Ex. 22. 26. Ac. 23. 5.
† or, *conscience*, figure like. Lu. 19. 40.
[i] 2 Sa. 20. 16 ..22.
[k] Is. 22. 20.
‡ *face of the waters.*
[l] De. 15. 10. Mat. 10. 42. 2 Co. 9. 6. Ga. 6. 9, 10. He. 6. 10.
[m] Ps. 112. 9. Lu. 6. 30. 1 Ti. 6. 18.
[n] Ep. 5. 16.
[o] ch. 7. 19. Pr. 21. 22. 24. 5.
[p] Mar. 6. 2, 3.
[r] Jno. 3. 8.
[s] Je. 7. 1, 11, 12.
[t] Ps. 139. 14, 15
§ *Flies of death.*
‖ *be right.*
[a] *heart.*
[u] ch. 7. 11.
[v] Pr. 13. 16. 18. 2.
[w] ch. 8. 3.
[x] 1 Sa. 25. 24, &c Pr. 25. 15.
† *from before.*
[c] Es. 3. 1.
‡ *heights.*
[a] Nu. 15. 39.
[b] Pr. 19. 10. 30. 22.
[c] Ro. 2. 6..11.
§ or, *anger.*
[d] Ps. 7. 15. Pr. 26. 27.
[e] 2 Co. 7. 1. 2 Ti. 2. 22.
[f] Ps. 39. 5.
[g] Pr. 22. 6. La. 3. 27.
[h] 2 Sa. 19. 35.
[i] Ps. 58. 4, 5. Je. 8. 17.
‖ *the master of the longue.*
[a] *grace.*
† or, *fail, because they* grind *little.*
‡ *mouth.*
§ *multiplieth words.*

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5 Also *when* they shall be afraid of *that which is* high, and fears *shall be* in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth [a] his long home, and [b] the mourners go about the streets:

6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.

7 Then [c] shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God [d] who gave it.

8 ¶ Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all *is* vanity.

9 And § moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, *and* set in order many proverbs.

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[a] *words of delight.*
[b] Job 17. 13.
[b] Je. 9. 17.
[†] *or, reading.*
[c] Ge. 3. 19.
[‡] *or, The end of the matter, even all that hath been heard, is.*
[d] Zec. 12. 1.
§ *or, the more wise the preacher was, &c.*
[e] Mat. 12. 36.
[e] 2 Co. 5. 10.

10 The preacher sought to find out [e] acceptable words: and *that which was* written *was* upright, *even* words of truth.

11 The words of the wise *are* as goads, and as nails fastened *by* the masters of assemblies, *which* are given from one shepherd.

12 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books *there is* no end; and much † study *is a* weariness of the flesh.

13 ¶ ‡ Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.

14 For [e] God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil.

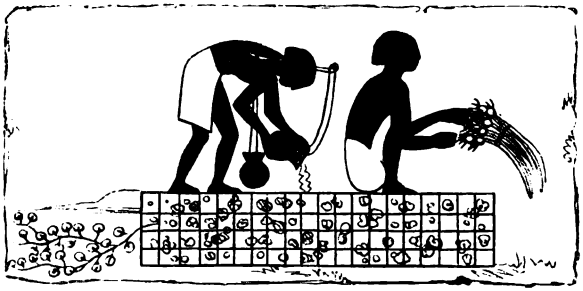
EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II. 5.—GARDENERS PLANTING AND SOWING. Many gardens are mentioned in Scripture. Eden; Ahab's garden of herbs; the royal garden near the fortress of Zion, 2 Kings xxi. xxv; the garden of the Persian kings at Susa. Esth. i., vii; the garden of Joseph of Arimathæa; and the garden of Gethsemane. Gardens were generally hedged or walled; and we read of gardeners and keepers of gardens by occupation, Neh. iii. 5; Jno. xx. 15. Plants of beauty and fragrance occupied the eastern gardens. The gardeners cultivated trees and fruits of the choicest kind. We read of pomegranate gardens and vine gardens, Cant. iv.; nut gardens, Cant. vi.; olive gardens, Deut. viii., &c. These gardens seem to have had their peculiar names, not because they were exclusively used for each specified tree, but more especially so. Vine gardens and vineyards differed in this respect, the gardens bore vines chiefly for ornament and shade, but the vineyards for general use. Harmer considers Dr. Chandler's description of the garden of the governor of a Turkish town, called Kieus, as the description of most of the ancient gardens of the Jewish people. Dr. Chandler says, 'When the heat was abated a little, we were informed that the governor gave us permission to refresh in his garden. We dismissed his messengers with a bac-shish, or a present of three piastres; and an excuse that we were just going away. But this was not accepted: and we paid another piastre for seeing a very small spot of ground, walled in, and containing nothing except two vines, a fig, and a pomegranate tree, and a well of excellent water.'—*Travels in Asia Minor.* 'If,' says Harmer, 'a few vines, a fig, and a pomegranate, were all the fruit trees now found in an eastern garden belonging to a person of some figure, we may believe the number of the trees of an ancient Jewish garden, in common, were not more numerous, or composed of a greater variety. We must not, however, take one measure example. Dr. Olin informs us, that the gardens near Shechem surprise you as by enchantment; and speaks of them as fruitful gardens filled with vegetables, flowers, and fruit trees, all in the highest perfection of luxuriance and beauty. Olives, vines, acacias, pomegranates, figs, mulberries, &c., are crowded together in small enclosures, forming an impervious shade, as well as an impenetrable thicket. A beautiful mountain stream runs through the midst of this forest of gardens, in a channel mostly artificial and sometimes covered; but the water often rises into small fountains, and forms several cascades.' Orange and citron trees also abound in these gardens. In all eastern gardens water is far more essential than in ours; indeed, without it, in the summer every thing would be parched up. Hence the eastern gardens are on the banks of rivers, which run by the cities, or on the sides or hills that supply their aqueducts: thus these remain verdant in the summer months, while the rest of the country is burnt up. This will make us understand the force of the expression (Isa. i. 30), "A garden that hath no water." In many parts where there were no streams, reservoirs of rain water were used. Spades are seldom used in turning up the soil; it is rather ploughed with an instrument worked with oxen. Digging about the fig tree, Luke xiii. 8, may more properly signify the ploughing of the ground. The difference between the climate, soil, and produce of Egypt and Palestine, justify us in supposing that there was also much difference in their mode of cultivation. From the mural paintings of the ancient Egyptians, it is however obvious that they took much delight in gardening, and the representation given is one of the most ancient from which we can gather any information. Strictly uniform arrangement, sheltered walks, groves, and tanks of water, with water-fowls and plants, seclusion and privacy, were the grand characteristics of the fairest gardens. How frequently have we allusions to the well-watered and fruitful garden, reminding us of the benefits of means and ordinances, without which our souls would become barren! Ps. i. 3; Jer. xvii. 8.

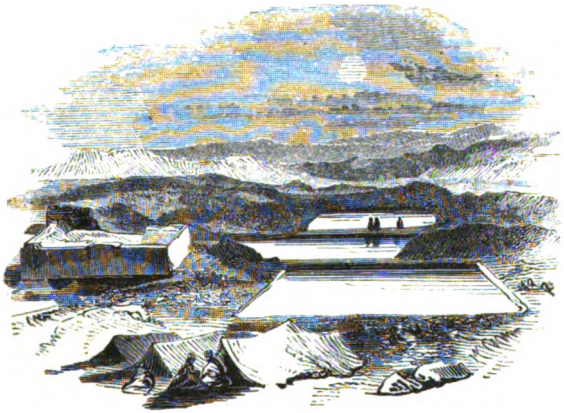
CH. II. 6.—SOLOMON'S POOLS. Finden's Illustrations afford the best explanation of these, as given by Hart well Horne. 'The pools of Solomon are situated about one hour's distance to the south of Bethlehem. They are three in number, of an oblong quadrangular form, cut out of the native rock, and are covered with a thick coat of plaster in the inside, and supported by abutments; the workmanship throughout, like everything Jewish, is more remarkable for strength than beauty. They are situated in a most secluded situation, at the south end of a small valley in the midst of mountains, and are so disposed on the sloping hill, that the water in the uppermost pool flows into the second, and thence into the third. That on the west is nearest to the source of the spring which supplies it with water, and is stated by Dr. Richardson to be 380 feet long; the second is about 400 feet, and the third about 660 feet in length. The breadth of them all is nearly the same: but no traveller, ancient or modern, has ascertained their depth. The pools communicate freely with each other, and are capable of containing a great quantity of water, which they discharge into a small aqueduct that conveys it to Jerusalem. The fountain whence these pools principally derive their waters, is at the distance of about 160 paces from them.'

CH. II. 16.—FISHING WITH NETS. Fish were among the luxuries which the Israelites enjoyed in Egypt, Num. xi. 5. Some authors state that there was a prodigious quantity in the Nile; others deny it, on account of the muddiness of the waters, and the numerous inundations in it. But there are lakes and reservoirs in that country in which there are great quantities. Indeed there must be a prodigious number of fish in Egypt, since there are sometimes assembled upon those lakes or ponds to which the water-game repair, an hundred thousand *cpubilles*, a voracious kind of fowl, each of which devours at least three or four pounds of fish every day. In those parts it is very customary to fish with a hook or line held in the hand, or fastened round the finger, but not to the exclusion of nets. Both methods were used in Judea by those apostles of Christ who were fishermen. Christ has taught us, in his reference to fishing, how to improve the most common occupations of life, Mat. iv. 19.

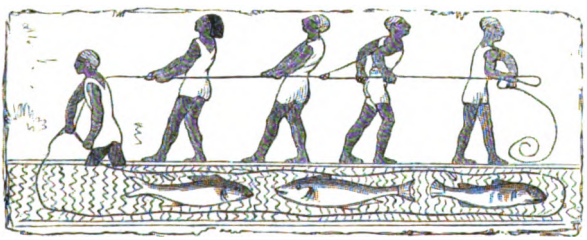
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GARDENERS PLANTING AND SOWING.—*Chambeaud.*—Eccl. ii. 5.



SOLOMON'S POOLS.—*Finden.*—Eccl. ii. 6.



FISHING WITH NETS.—*Chambeaud.*—Eccl. ix. 12.

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The SONG of SOLOMON.

An allegorical poem.

CHAP. I.

THE [a]song of songs, which *is* Solomon's.
2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: [b] for [†] thy love *is* better than wine.
3 Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name *is as* ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.
4 Draw [d] me, [e] we will run after thee: the king [f] hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: [‡] the upright love thee.
5 I *am* black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.
6 Look not upon me, because I *am* black, because the sun hath looked upon me: my mother's children were angry with me; they made me keeper of the vineyards; *but* mine own vineyard have I not kept.
7 Tell me, [h] O thou whom my soul loveth, where thou feedest, where thou makest *thy flock* to rest at noon: for why should I be as one that [§] turneth aside by the flocks of thy companions?
8 ¶ If thou know not, [i] O thou fairest among women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents.
9 I have compared thee, [l] O my love, to a company of horses in Pharaoh's chariots.
10 Thy [m] cheeks are comely with rows *of jewels*, thy neck with chains *of gold*.
11 We will make thee borders of gold with studs of silver.
12 ¶ While the king *sitteth* at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.
13 A bundle of myrrh *is* my wellbeloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.
14 My beloved *is* unto me *as* a cluster of [o] camphire in the vineyards of En-gedi.
15 Behold, thou *art* fair, my [†] love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes.
16 Behold, thou *art* fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed *is* green.
17 The beams of our house *are* cedar, *and* our [‡] rafters of fir.

CHAP. II.

I *AM* the rose of Sharon, *and* the lily of the valleys.
2 As the lily among thorns, so *is* my love among the daughters.
3 As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so *is* my beloved among the sons. [§] I sat down under his shadow with great delight, [a] and his fruit *was* sweet to my [‖] taste.
4 He brought me to the [b] banqueting house, and his banner over me *was* love.
5 Stay me with flagons, [‡] comfort me with apples: for I *am* sick of love.
6 His [c] left hand *is* under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.
7 I [§] charge you, [d] O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.
8 ¶ The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.

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[a] 1 Ki. 4. 32.
[b] *flourishing*
ch. 4. 10.
[†] *thy loves.*
[d] Mar. 1. 16.. 20.
2. 14.
2 Co. 6. 17. 18.
11. 2.
[d] Jno. 6. 44. 12. 32.
[e] Phi. 3. 12.. 14.
[f] Jno. 14. 2. Ep. 2. 6.
[‡] or, *they love thee uprightly.*
[g] ch. 8. 13.
[h] Jno. 21. 17. 1 Pe. 1. 8.
[i] Ps. 80. 13. Eze. 13. 4. Lu. 13. 32.
[§] or, *is veiled.*
[k] ch. 6. 1.
[l] Jno. 15. 14.
[‖] or, *division*
[m] Eze. 16. 11 ..13.
[n] Is. 26. 9.
[o] Is. 55. 6. Lu. 13. 24.
[p] Mat. 26. 40. 41. Ro. 13. 11. 1 Co. 15. 34. Ep. 5. 14.
[r] ch. 5. 7. Is. 62. 6. Eze. 3. 17. Ho. 13. 17.
[s] Is. 45. 19. 55. 6. 7. Je. 29. 13. Mat. 7. 7.
[a] or, *cypress.* ch. 4. 13.
[b] or, *companion.*
[c] Ho. 12. 3, 4. Mat. 28. 9.
[‡] or, *galleries.*
[d] ch. 3. 5.
[e] 2 Co. 2. 14.. 16. Phi. 4. 18.
[§] *I delighted and sat down, &c.*
[f] Re. 22. 1, 2.
[‖] *palate.*
[b] *house of wine.*
[g] 1 Th. 5. 6..8.
[h] or, *a bed.*
[‡] *straw me.*
[c] ch. 8. 3.
[§] *adjure.*
[d] ch. 3. 5.
[e] Is. 62. 5. Je. 2. 2. Jno. 3 29. Re. 19. 7.

9 My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows, [e] shewing himself through the lattice.
10 My beloved spake, and said unto me, [f] Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.
11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over *and* gone;
12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing *of birds* is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;
13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape give a *good* smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.
14 ¶ O my dove, *that art* in the clefts of the rock, in the secret *places* of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, [g] let me hear thy voice; for sweet *is* thy voice, and thy countenance *is* comely.
15 Take us [i] the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines *have* tender grapes.
16 ¶ My beloved *is* mine, and I *am* his: he feedeth among the lilies.
17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of [k] Bether.

CHAP. III.

BY [m] night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: I [n] sought him but I found him not.
2 I will [p] rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.
3 The [r] watchmen that go about the city found me: *to whom I said*, Saw ye him whom my soul loveth?
4 *It was* [s] but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: [t] I held him, and would not let him go, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me.
5 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.
6 ¶ Who [u] *is* this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, [v] perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?
7 Behold his bed, which *is* Solomon's; threescore valiant men *are* about it, of the valiant of Israel.
8 They all hold swords, *being* expert in war: every man *hath* his sword upon his thigh [y] because of fear in the night.
9 King Solomon made himself [z] a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.
10 He made the pillars thereof *of* silver, the bottom thereof *of* gold, the covering of it *of* purple, the midst thereof being paved *with* love, for the daughters of Jerusalem.
11 Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him [b] in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart.

[e] ch. 5. 4.
[f] Mat. 24. 46.
[g] ch. 8. 13.
[i] Ne. 4. 3.
[k] Jos. 15. 59.
[m] Is. 26. 9.
[n] Jno. 7. 34. 36.
[p] Mat. 26. 46.
[r] ch. 5. 7. Is. 62. 6.
[s] Ps. 119. 87.
[t] Jno. 20. 17.
[u] Re. 14. 4.
[v] ch. 4. 6.
[y] Ps. 91. 5.
[z] 1 Ki. 10. 17.
[b] Is. 62. 5. Je. 2. 2. Jno. 3. 29. Re. 19. 7.

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CHAP. IV.

BEHOLD, thou *art* fair, my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes within thy locks: thy hair *is as a* [a] flock of goats, [†] that appear from mount Gilead.

2 Thy teeth *are* like a flock *of sheep that are even* shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none *is* barren among them.

3 Thy lips *are* like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech *is* comely: [d] thy temples *are* like a piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.

4 Thy [f] neck *is* like the tower of David builded [g] for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.

5 Thy [i] two breasts *are* like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.

6 Until the day [‖] break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

7 Thou [l] *art* all fair, my love; *there is* no spot in thee.

8 [¶] Come with me from Lebanon, *my* spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir [m] and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.

9 Thou hast [§] ravished my heart, my sister, *my* spouse; thou hast ravished my heart with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.

10 How fair is thy love, my sister, *my* spouse! [n] how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!

11 Thy lips, O *my* spouse, drop *as* the honeycomb: [o] honey and milk *are* under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments *is* [p] like the smell of Lebanon.

12 A garden [q] inclosed *is* my sister, *my* spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

13 Thy plants *are* an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; [†]camphire, with spikenard,

14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:

15 A fountain of gardens, a well of [s] living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

16 [¶] Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, *that* the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

CHAP. V.

I AM come into my garden, my sister, *my* spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; [u] I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O [v] friends; drink, [§]yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

2 [¶] I sleep, but my heart waketh: *it is* the voice of my beloved [x] that knocketh, *saying*, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, *and* my locks with the drops of the night.

3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

4 My beloved put in his hand by the hole *of the door*, and my bowels were moved [‖] for him

5 I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped *with* myrrh, and my fingers *with* [o] sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

6 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, *and* was gone: my soul failed when he spake: [b] I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.

7 The watchmen that went about the city found me, [c] they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls [e] took away my veil from me.

8 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, [‡] that ye tell him, that I *am* sick of love.

9 [¶] What *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, [h] O thou fairest among women? what *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, that thou dost so charge us?

10 My beloved *is* white and ruddy, [§] the [k] chiefest among ten thousand.

11 His head *is as* the most fine gold, his locks *are* [o] bushy, *and* black as a raven.

12 His eyes *are as the eyes* of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, *and* [†] fitly set.

13 His cheeks *are as* a bed of spices, *as* [‡] sweet flowers: his lips *like* lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh.

14 His hands *are as* gold rings set with the beryl: his belly *is as* bright ivory overlaid *with* sapphires.

15 His legs *are as* pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance *is* as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.

16 His [‖] mouth *is* most sweet: yea, he *is* altogether lovely. This *is* my beloved, and this *is* my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

CHAP. VI.

WHITHER is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved turned aside? [¶] that we may seek him with thee.

2 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

3 I [r] *am* my beloved's, and my beloved *is* mine: he feedeth among the lilies.

4 [¶] Thou *art* beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as *an army* with banners.

5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have [t] overcome me: thy hair *is* [r] as a flock of goats that appear from Gilead.

6 Thy teeth *are* as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and *there is* not one barren among them.

7 As a piece of a pomegranate *are* thy temples within thy locks.

8 [¶] There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.

9 My dove, my undefiled is *but* one; she *is* the *only* one of her mother, she *is* the choice *one* of her that bare her. [w] The daughters saw her, and blessed her; *yea*, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her.

10 [¶] Who *is she that* looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, *and* terrible as *an army* with banners?

11 I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, *and* [y] to see whether the vine flourished, *and* the pomegranates budded.

12 [z] Or ever I was aware, my soul [o] made me *like* the chariots of Amminadib.

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[a] ch. 6. 5.
[b] ch. 3. 1.
[c] Jno. 16. 2. Ac. 26. 9, 10. Phi. 3. 6.
[d] ch. 6. 7.
[e] 1 Pe. 4. 14. 16
[f] ch. 7. 4.
[g] 2 Ne. 3. 19.
[i] Pr. 5. 19.
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[l] Ep. 5. 27.
[m] De. 3. 9.
[n] ch. 1. 2. Pr. 24. 13, 14.
[o] Ge. 27. 27. Ho. 14. 6, 7.
[p] Is. 2. 5. Je. 14. 8. Zec. 8. 21.. 23. Ac. 5. 11.. 14
[q] *barred.*
[s] ch. 2. 16. 7. 10. He. 8. 10. Re. 21. 2, 3.
[t] Jno. 4. 10. 7. 38
[u] ch. 4. 1..3.
[v] ch. 4. 11.
[x] Lu. 15. 7, 10. Jno. 3. 29. 15. 14.
[w] De. 33. 29 Ps. 126. 2. 2 Th. 1. 10.
[y] Ro. 3. 20.
[z] ch. 7. 12.

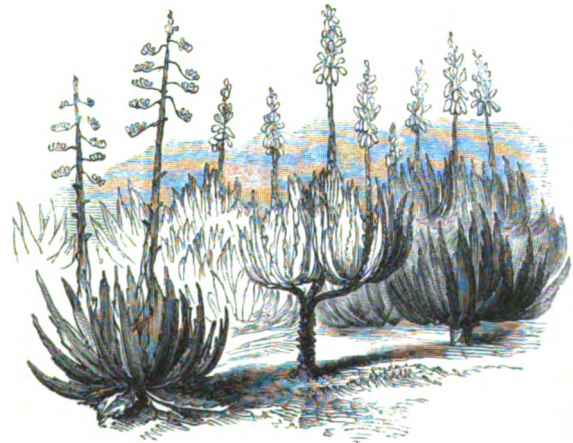
passing, or, *running about.*
or, *that eat of, &c.*
what.
a standard bearer.
breathe.
curled.
sitting in fulness, that is, fully placed, and set as a precious stone in the foul of a ring.
or, *towers of perfumes*
or, *taken away my heart.*
palate.
I know not.
or, *me, on the chariots of my willing people.*
or, (*as some read*) *in me*



CEDARS OF LEBANON.—*Finden.*—Cant. i. 17 and iii. 9.



COVERED PALANQUIN.—*East India House Library.*—Cant. iii. 9.



ALOES.—*From Nature.*—Cant. iv. 14.

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13 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company † of two armies.

CHAP. VII.

HOW beautiful are thy[a] feet with shoes, [b]O prince's daughter! [c] the joints of thy thighs *are* like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.

2 Thy navel *is like* a round goblet, *which* wanteth not ‡ liquor: thy belly *is like* an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

3 Thy [d] two breasts *are* like two young roes *that are* twins.

4 Thy neck *is* as a tower of ivory; thine eyes *like* the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bath-rabbim: thy nose *is* as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.

5 Thine [e] head upon thee *is* like ‖ Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king *is* [f] held in the galleries.

6 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!

7 This [g] thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters *of grapes*.

8 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and [m] the smell of thy nose like apples;

9 And [n] the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth *down* ‡ sweetly, causing the lips § of those that are asleep to speak.

10 ¶ I [p] *am* my beloved's, and [r] his desire *is* toward me.

11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.

12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us [t] see if the vine flourish, *whether* the tender grape [u] appear, *and* the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.

13 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates [v] *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new and old, *which* I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.

CHAP. VIII.

O THAT thou *wert* as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! *when* I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, [a] I should not be despised.

2 I would lead thee, *and* bring thee into my mother's house, *who* would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of [b]spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.

3 His [c] left hand *should be* under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

4 I [d] charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, § that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, until he please.

5 Who *is* this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth *that* bare thee.

6 ¶ Set [e] me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love *is* strong as death; jealousy *is* [f]cruel as the grave: the coals thereof *are* coals of fire, *which hath* a most vehement flame.

7 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: [g] if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

8 ¶ We [m] have a little *sister*, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?

9 If she *be* a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she *be* a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.

10 I *am* a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found ‖ favour.

11 Solomon had a vineyard at Baal-hamon; [n] he let out the vineyard unto keepers; every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand *pieces* of silver.

12 My vineyard, which *is* mine, *is* before me: thou, O Solomon, *must have* a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

13 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear *it*.

14 ¶ † Make [p] haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.

B. C. 1014.

* *they should not despise me.*
† or, *of Mahanaim.*
a Ge. 32. 2.
b Pr. 9. 2.
c Lu. 15. 22. Ep. 6. 15.
d Ps. 45. 13. 2 Co. 6. 18. Re. 21. 7.
e Ep. 4. 15, 16. Col. 2. 19.
f ch. 2. 6.
g ch. 3. 5.
‡ *moisture.*
§ *why should ye stir up, or why awake, &c.*
a ch. 4. 5.
h Is. 49. 16. Je. 22. 24. Hag. 2. 23.
i Ep. 1. 22. Col. 1. 18.
‖ or, *crimson*
* *hard.*
† *bound.*
k Pr. 6. 35.
l Ep. 4. 13.
m Eze. 23. 33. Jno. 10. 16. Ac. 15. 14., 17. Ro. 15. 9., 12 Ep. 2. 12.
n 2 Co. 2. 14.
o Is. 57. 19. Ho. 14. 2. Ep. 4. 29. Col. 3. 16, 17. 4. 6.
He. 13. 15.
‡ *straightly.*
§ or, *of the ancient.*
p ch. 2. 16.
r Ps. 45. 11.
‖ *peace.*
s Mat. 21. 33.
t ch. 6. 11.
u *open.*
v Mat. 13. 52.
† *Flee away.*
w Re. 22. 17, 20

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 17; III. 9.—CEDARS OF LEBANON. The cedar is a large and noble evergreen tree. Its lofty height and its far extended branches afford a spacious shelter and shade, Eze. xxxi. 5, 6, 8. The wood is very valuable, is of a reddish colour, of an aromatic smell, and reputed incorruptible, which is owing to its bitter taste, which the worms cannot endure, and its resin, which preserves it from the injuries of the weather. Some cedar wood was found fresh in the temple of Utica in Barbary, about 2000 years old. How expressive is the language of the psalmist, when he says of the righteous, "he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon!" Durable—fragrant—useful—beautiful.

CH. III. 9.—COVERED PALANQUIN. "King Solomon made himself a chariot of the wood of Lebanon. He made the pillars thereof of silver, the bottom thereof of gold, the covering of it of purple, the midst thereof being paved with love, for the daughters of Jerusalem." In Taylor's Fragments we have six descriptions of carriages which are used in the East, most of which may admit of being here mentioned. The stateliness of the equipage appears in the manner of fitting up. In all there is a pole fixed in the centre before and behind, to rest on the shoulders of the several bearers. These consisted of two or more before, and the same behind. The word rendered "pillars," Taylor renders 'poles.'

CH. IV. 14.—ALOES, various. We are not to confound the aloes mentioned in the Scripture with the common medical aloes, which, when first broken, emits a not disagreeable odour; but common aloes is disagreeable both in taste and in odour, and could not have been used as a perfume, like the aloes of Scripture: see Ps. xlv. 8; Prov. vii. 17; and in our text. The lign aloes is the tree to which the Scripture refers. This was an exotic and costly aromatic obtained from India through the medium of the Arabians. The centre tree in our cut shows the lign aloes. It grows to the height of about ten feet, and has an interesting appearance. Its wood is said to have been anciently esteemed more precious than gold, and it is now accounted sacred by the Indians, and is not failed without religious ceremonies. That the flower of this plant yielded a fragrance is assured to us in the following extract from Swinburne's Travels: 'This morning, like many of the foregoing ones, was delicious. The sun rose gloriously out of the sea, and all the air around was perfumed with the effluvia of the aloe, as its rays sucked up the dew from its leaves.' In the passage here referred to, the church is compared to an enclosed garden—enclosed for safety, the products of which are 'great, plenty, and variety; nothing wanting to beautify and enrich, to make delightful and serviceable; everything the best of the kind. The chief spices were much more valuable because more durable than the choicest of our flowers. Saints in the church, and graces in the saints, are very fitly compared to these fruits and spices, precious, pleasant to God and man, profitable and permanent. Grace reduced into glory will last for ever.'

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO JOB.

Ch. I.—1. *In the land of Uz.* Concerning the situation of this country of Job, different opinions are entertained. It was most probably on the confines of Idumea, if not a part of it. The daughter of Edom is said to dwell in the land of Uz, (Lam. iv. 21.) Uz was the son of Nahor, Abraham's brother, (Gen. xxii. 21.) 3. *His substance also was seven thousand sheep, &c.* The principal riches of the Bedouin Arabs, no less than of the princes and patriarchs of old, continue to be estimated from the number and quality of their cattle. Several Arabian tribes can bring into the field only three or four hundred horses, at the same time that they are possessed of more than as many thousand camels, and triple again that number of sheep and black cattle. They rarely kill any of their flocks, living chiefly upon their milk or butter, or else upon what they get in exchange for their wool.—Dr. Shaw. *This man was the greatest of all the men of the East.* Perhaps we may be not far from right in contemplating the modern sheiks in Arabia, as bearing considerable resemblance to this holy personage.—Script. Illust. Expos. Ind. *The men of the East.* The men of the East, the children of the East, or eastern nations, seems to have been the general appellation for that mingled race of people, (as they are called, Jer. xxv. 20) who inhabited between Egypt and the Euphrates, bordering upon Judea from the south to the east; the Idumeans, the Amalekites, the Midianites, the Moabites, the Ammonites. (See Judges vi. 3; Isa. xi. 14.) Of these the Idumeans and Amalekites certainly possessed the southern parts. (See Num. xxxiv. 3; xiii. 29; 1 Sam. xxvii. 8, 10.) This appears to be the true state of the case: the whole region between Egypt and the Euphrates was called "the East," at first with respect to Egypt, where the learned Jos. Mede thinks the Israelites first acquired this mode of speaking. 4. *Every one his day.* To celebrate a birthday with great tokens of rejoicing and triumph, was the custom of former ages. Herodotus says, 'of all days the Persians show the highest regard to their birthday;' and he gives us an account of the particular ceremonies which were appropriated to that festival. 13. *The Sabeans.* The people of Sabea were (concluded by most interpreters) inhabiting Arabia Felix, near the country where Job dwelt; they were famous only for robberies, and lived by pillage and plundering their neighbours. 17. *The Chaldeans.* Chaldea, a country lying between Mesopotamia to the north, Susiana to the east, the Persian bay to the south, and Arabia Deserta to the west.—Dr. Wells. 19. *There came a great wind.* Bruce, the traveller, gives an illustration of this phenomenon. 'On the 29th at four o'clock in the afternoon, we set out from the villages of the Nuba, intending to arrive at Basboch where is the ferry over the Nile; but we had scarcely advanced two miles into the plain, when we were enclosed in a violent whirlwind, or, what is called at sea, the waterspout. The plain was red earth, which had been plentifully moistened by a shower in the night time. The unfortunate camel that had been taken by Cohala, seemed to be nearly in the centre of the vortex; it was lifted and thrown down at a considerable distance, and several of its ribs broken. Although, as far as I could guess, I was not near the centre, it whirled me off my feet, and threw me down upon my face, so as to make my nose gush out with blood: two of the servants. likewise, had the same fate. It plastered us all over with mud, almost as smoothly as could have been done with a trowel. It took away my sense and breathing for an instant, and my mouth and nose were full of mud when I recovered. I guess the sphere of its action to be about two hundred feet. It demolished one half of a small hut, as if it had been cut through with a knife: and dispersed the materials all over the plain, leaving the other half standing.'

Ch. II.—4. *Skin for skin, &c.* Dr. Good remarks on this passage, that the skins or spoils of beasts, in the rude and early ages of man, were the most valuable property he could acquire, and that for which he most frequently combated. The reference is to the time when trade was conducted by barter, and when the skins of animals, being a most frequent and valuable commodity, were used to represent property. Tributes ransoms, &c., the observes, were paid in skins. According to this, it means that a man would give 'skin upon skin;' that is, would pile one piece of property upon another, and give all that he had in order to save his life. 7. *Sore boils, from the sole of his foot unto his crown.* It has been supposed that the disease of Job was a species of black leprosy, commonly called elephantiasis, which prevails much in Egypt. This disease received its name from 'elephas,' an elephant, from the swelling produced by it causing a resemblance to that animal in the limbs; or because it rendered the skin, like that of the elephant, scabrous and dark coloured.

Ch. III.—14. *Kings and counsellors—which built desolate places for themselves.* This is supposed to refer to the pompous sepulchral monuments which the ancient princes were wont to erect for themselves. It is remarkable that the land of Edom, in which Job is reasonably supposed to have lived, does at this day continue to offer some of the most remarkable and magnificent monuments of this description. 15. *Who filled their houses with silver.* Rosenmuller supposes that there is reference here to the custom among the ancients of burying treasures with the dead, and that the word houses refers to the tombs or mausoleums which they erected. That such a custom prevailed, there can be no doubt. Josephus informs us that large quantities of treasure were buried in the tomb with David, which afterwards was taken out for the supply of an army; and Schultens (in loc.) says, that the custom prevailed recently among the Arabs. It existed also among the aborigines of this country, and is to this day practised in Africa. 24. *My roarings are poured out like the waters.* There is some hyperbole in this figure, in whichever way it is understood; but we are to remember that his feelings were deeply excited, and that the Orientals were in the habit of expressing themselves in a mode, which, to us of more phlegmatic temperament, may seem extravagant in the extreme. We have, however, a similar expression when we say of one, that 'he burst into a flood of tears.'

Ch. V.—23. *In league with the stones of the field.* It is to be remembered that this was spoken in Arabia, where rocks and stones abounded, and where travelling from that cause was difficult and dangerous. The sense here is, that he would be permitted to make his way in ease and safety. 26. *Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age.* Great is the desire of the men of the East to see a good old age. Thus the beggars, when relieved, often bless you, and say, 'Ah! my lord, may you live a thousand years.' 'Live, live, till the shakings of age.'—Roberts.

Ch. VI.—15. *Deceitfully as a brook.* That is as a stream that is swelled by winter torrents, and that is dry in summer. Such streams abound in Arabia, and in the East generally. The torrents pour down from the hills in time of rain, or when the melting of the ice; but in summer they are dry, or their waters are lost in the sand. Even large streams are thus absorbed. The river Barrady, which waters Damascus, after passing a short distance to the southward of the city towards the Arabian deserts, is lost in the sand, or evaporated by the heat of the sun. The idea here is, that travellers in a caravan would approach the place where water had been found before, but would find the fountain dried up, or the stream lost in the sand; and when they looked for refreshment they found only disappointment. In Arabia there are not many rivers. In Yemen, indeed, there are a few streams that flow the year round, and, on the east, the Euphrates has been claimed as belonging to Arabia. But most of the streams are winter torrents, that become dry in summer, or rivulets, that are swelled by heavy rains. An illustration of the verse before us occurs in Campbell's 'Travels in Africa.' 'In desert parts of Africa, it has afforded much joy to fall in with a brook of water, especially when running in the direction of the journey, expecting it would prove a valuable companion. Perhaps, before it accompanied us two miles, it became invisible by sinking into the sand; but two miles farther along it would reappear, and raise hopes of its continuance; but, after running a few hundred yards, would sink finally into the sand no more again to rise. A comparison of a man who deceives and disappoints one, to such a stream, is common in Arabia, and has given rise, according to Schultens, to many proverbs. Thus they say of a treacherous friend, 'I put no trust in thy torrent,' and 'O torrent, thy flowing subsides.'

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Ch. VII.—19. *Let me alone till I swallow down my spittle.* That is, for a very short pause, the briefest interval. The expression answers to our 'twinkling of an eye,' or 'till one can fetch one's breath.' In this sense the expression is still proverbial in Arabia. Schultens adduces, from Arabian authors, various examples of its continued use. One of them (from Tebleti) is contained in the following repartee, addressed to a person who, before he answered, said to his companion, 'allow me to swallow my spittle;' to which the other smartly replied, 'ay, swallow the Tigris and Euphrates, if you will.'

Ch. IX.—25. *My days are swifter than a post.* The common pace of travelling in the East is very slow. Camels go little more than two miles an hour. Those who carry messages in haste move very differently. Dromedaries, a sort of camel which is exceedingly swift, are used for this purpose; and Lady M. W. Montague asserts, that they far outrun the swiftest horses. There are also messengers who run on foot, and who sometimes go 150 miles in less than twenty-four hours. With what energy then might Job say, "my days are swifter than a post!" Instead of passing away with a slowness of motion, like that of a caravan, my days of prosperity have disappeared with a swiftness like that of a messenger carrying dispatches.

Ch. XI.—2. *And should a man full of talk be justified?* It will be recollected that taciturnity was with the Orientals a much greater virtue than with us, and that it was regarded as one of the proofs of wisdom. The wise man, with them, was he who sat down at the feet of age and desired to learn; who carefully collected the maxims of former times; who diligently observed the course of events; and who deliberated with care on what others had to say. Thus Solomon says, "in the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise."—Prov. x. 19. 14. *Tabernacles.* Tabernacles or tents were the earliest dwellings, but houses were still so called after the erecting of those more durable habitations.

Ch. XII.—2. *And wisdom shall die with you.* This is ironical, but it is language such as is common perhaps everywhere. 'The people of the East,' says Roberts, 'take great pleasure in irony, and some of their satirical sayings are very cutting. When a sage intimates that he has superior wisdom, or when he is disposed to rally another for his meagre attainments, he says, 'yes, yes, you are the man!' 'your wisdom is like the sea!' 'when you die whither will wisdom go?'

Ch. XIV.—17. *Sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.* The word here is used in the sense of sewing up money in a bag, as well as sealing it. This is done when there are large sums, to avoid the inconvenience of counting it. The sum is marked on the bag, and a seal affixed to it to authenticate it, and it is thus passed from one to another, without the trouble of counting. If a seal is placed on the bag, it will circulate for days as assigned value, without being opened for examination. It is usual now, in the East, for a bag to contain five hundred piastres, and hence such a sum is called 'a purse,' and amounts are calculated by so many 'purses.'—See Harmer.

Ch. XV.—2. *The east wind.* This wind is particularly stormy and boisterous in the Levant, and is even accounted noxious in Arabia. It is what our mariners call a Levanter; and is the same called, in the Acts of the Apostles, Euroclydon, by which St. Paul and his companions were wrecked on the island of Melita.

Ch. XVI.—13. *He poureth out my gall, &c.* Jerome and Grotius are of opinion, that the gall is here used, by the figure synecdoche, for the whole viscera. But it should be observed that Job's disease, the elephantiasis, had a peculiar effect on the liver and parts adjacent, and it is probable that a violent bilious discharge is here meant.

Ch. XIX.—24. *That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock.* The most ancient people, before the invention of books, and before the use of sculpture upon stones, represented things great and noble upon entire rocks and mountains: the custom was not laid aside for many ages. Semiramis, to perpetuate her memory, is reported to have cut a whole rock into the shape of herself. Hannibal, long after the invention of books, engraved characters on the Alpine rocks, as a testimony of his passage over them; which characters were remaining about two centuries ago, according to Paulus Jovius. The sculptures in Egypt show that the figures drawn were first designed and sketched out with red lead, by the artist; these outlines were then painted by the sculptor, who submitted his lines to the correction of the artist, after which the sculptor cut them in the rock. Iron was known from the earliest times in Egypt, and steel too, and the temper of their instruments enabled them to cut the hardest rocks.—Wilkinson.

Ch. XXI.—18. *They are as stubble before the wind.* In order to perceive the beauty and propriety of these images, we should recollect the practice, in the East, of threshing their corn in the open field; so that, if the wind happen to rise, the shattered straw and chaff are easily carried away. 28. *Where is the house of the prince?* 29. *Have ye not asked them that go by the way?* A reference to those sepulchral monuments erected by the wayside, in honour of deceased potentates; and, therefore, in full view of every traveller, who might naturally enquire into the character of those whose memory such buildings were intended to perpetuate, and might discover that most of them were tyrants or oppressors. The travellers to whom Job appeals were probably the caravans of Tema and Sheba, trafficking to Egypt. See ch. vi. 19.

Ch. XXII.—6. *Thou hast taken a pledge.* Job is here charged with such rapacity, as to force even his relations to give security to him for debts which they did not owe, and with seizing the upper garments of the poor for pawn, which answers to a creditor among us taking a man's bed from under him for payment; for the poor in those countries had no other covering at night, when they slept, than their outer garment, or hyke. (See note Exod. xxii. 27.) *Stripped the naked of their clothing.* Persons who have no hyke, or upper garment, but only their tunic and shirt, may be said to be 'naked' according to the mode of speaking in the East. The sense is, 'thou hast stripped of their garments, even those who had no more but just enough to cover their nakedness.' 7. *Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink.* It is one of the thirty-two charities of the Hindoos 'to have water for the traveller to drink.' Hence, on the public roads, in front of the houses of charitable people, may be seen vessels filled with water, for the use of all who pass that way. But respectable men do not, on such there; they go inside, and say, 'conjum-taneer,' a little water; and it is given to them.

Ch. XXIII.—11. *My foot hath held his steps.* There is, probably, an allusion here to the active, grasping power which the Orientals have in their toes and toes. By constant usage they accustom themselves to make use of them in holding things in a manner which to us seems almost incredible, and they make the toes perform almost the work of fingers. We bind ours fast, from early childhood, in close shoes, and they become useless, except for the purpose of walking. But the Orientals use theirs differently. They seize upon an object with the toes, and hold it fast. If, in walking along, they see anything on the ground which they desire to pick up, instead of stooping as we should, they seize it with their toes, and lift it up. An Arab, in treading firmly, or in taking a determined stand, seems to lay hold of, to grasp the ground with his toes, giving a fixedness of position inconceivable to those whose feet are cramped by the use of tight shoes.

Ch. XXIV.—2. *Landmarks.* They were stones or posts set up to distinguish the boundaries of property, which were necessary in open countries before fences were formed. Dishonest men sometimes removed these landmarks, and enlarged their own bounds by contracting their neighbours'. 7. *They lodge naked in the cold.* All travellers tell us, that, though the day is intensely hot in the deserts of Arabia, yet the nights are often intensely cold; hence the sufferings of those who are plundered, and who have nothing to defend themselves from the cold air of the night. 11. *And tread their winepresses.* In the East they still 'tread' their grapes after the ancient manner. Dr. Chandler says, 'August 20th. The vintage near Smyrna had now begun; the juice of the grapes was expressed for wine; a man, with feet and legs bare, treading the fruit in a kind of cistern, with a hole or vent near the bottom, and a vessel underneath to receive the liquor.' (See note and cut end of Isai.) 16. *They dig through houses.* The materials used for building in Job's country seem to have been mud and slime, which are frequently employed in the East for this purpose. These walls of sun-burnt brick, when moistened with copious showers, must have been liable to attacks of this kind; at the same time that the thickness of them makes the term digging peculiarly expressive.—Harmer. 24. *Cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.* This seems very evidently to refer to a mode of reaping still common in the East. According to this process, the ears are cut off near the top,

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the straw being left standing. We may therefore take this to be the earliest mode of reaping mentioned in Scripture.

Ch. XXIX.—3. *When by his light I walked through darkness.* This refers to the Eastern practice of guiding caravans at night by torches, carried aloft before each division of the travellers. 6. *Washed my steps with butter.* That butter was sometimes used for the purpose of anointing the feet, probably for comfort and health, as oil was for the head, is mentioned by Oriental travellers. *And the rock poured me out rivers of oil.* Cattle and olive groves made the principal wealth of the Arabs. The best olives grow upon rocky mountains. Hence these bold figures to express uncommon felicity. 7. *When I prepared my seat in the street.* That is, to sit as a judge. The seat, or tribunal, was placed in the street, in the open air, before the gate of the city, where great numbers might be convened, and hear and see justice done. The Arabs, to this day, hold their courts of justice in an open place, under the heavens, as in a field or market-place. Sitting on a cushion is an expression of honour in the East; and the preparing of a seat for a person of distinction seems to mean, laying things of this kind on a place where such an one is to sit. When Job speaks of his preparing his seat, it is extremely natural to understand him, of his sending his servants to lay a cushion and a carpet upon one of the public seats, or something of that sort. 9. *And laid their hand on their mouth.* When the Easterns wish to be silent, they place their hand upon their mouth, to express their intentions by action, and their sentiments by attitude. 14. *I clothed.* The usual head-dress of the Turks, Persians, Arabs, and other Eastern nations to this day is the turban, which consists of a cap, and a sash of fine linen or silk wound round the bottom of the cap; and which appears, from the present passage, to have been worn in the East as early as the time of Job. In Isa. lxii. 3, it is used for the royal turban; and in Zech. iii. 5, for the high priest's. 19. *The dew lay all night upon my branch.* It is well known that in the hot Eastern countries, where it rarely rains during the summer months, the copious dews which fall there during the night, contribute greatly to the nourishment of vegetables in general. And 'this dew,' says Hasselquist, speaking of the excessively hot weather in Egypt, 'is particularly serviceable to the trees, which would otherwise not be able to resist the heat; but with this assistance they thrive well, and blossom, and ripen their fruit.'

Ch. XXX.—6. *To dwell—in caves of the earth, &c.* All the southern parts of Judea are full of caves under ground, and of caverns in the mountains. The rocks of Arabia Petræa abound in caves. At this day the Arabs who dwell in the mountains of that country are a bad people; the worst of all the Arabs: no Pococke.

Ch. XXXI.—17. *Or have eaten my morsel myself alone.* If I have not imparted what I had, though ever so small, to others. This was in accordance with the Oriental laws of hospitality. It is regarded as a fixed law among the Arabians, that the guest shall always be served first, and to that which is best; and no matter how needy the family may be, or how much distressed with hunger, the settled laws of hospitality demand that the stranger-guest shall have the first and best portion. Dr. Robinson in his 'Biblical Researches,' gives an amusing instance of the extent to which this law is carried, and the sternness with which it is executed among the Arabs. In the journey from Suez to Mount Sinai, intending to furnish a supper for the Arabs in their employ, he and his fellow travellers had bought a kid, and led it along to the place of their encampment. At night the kid was killed and roasted, and the Arabs sat down to a savoury supper. But those of whom they had bought the kid, learned in some way that they were to encamp near, and naturally concluded that the kid was bought to be eaten, and followed them to the place of encampment, to the number of five or six persons. Now the stern law of hospitality demands, that whenever a guest is present at a meal, whether there be much or little, the first and best portion must be laid before the stranger. In this instance the five or six guests attained their object, and had not only the selling of the kid but also the eating of it, while our poor Arabs, whose mouths had long been watering with expectation, were forced to take up with the fragments. 32. *The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doors to the traveller.* The virtue of hospitality was, and still is, the national character of the Arabs: they value themselves upon it as the highest glory. Burckhardt, speaking of the inhabitants of the Houran—the country east of the Jordan and south of Damascus, says, 'A traveller may alight at any house he pleases, a mat will be immediately spread for him, coffee made, and a breakfast or dinner set before him. In entering a village it has often happened to me, that several persons presented themselves, each begging that I would lodge at his house. It is a point of honour with the host never to receive the smallest return from a guest.

Ch. XXXII.—19. *To burst like new bottles.* The Arabs use a larger kind of bottle, named girba, which is thus described by Bruce: 'A girba is an ox's skin squared, and the edges sewed together very artificially by a double seam, which does not let out water, much resembling that upon the best cricket balls. An opening is left at the top of the girba, in the same manner as the bunghole of a cask. Around this the skin is gathered to the size of a large handful, which, when the girba is full of water, is tied round with whipcord. These girbas generally contain about sixty gallons each, and two of them are the load of a camel. They are then all besmeared on the outside with grease, as well to hinder the water from oozing through, as to prevent its being evaporated by the heat of the sun, which in fact happened to us twice, so as to put us in imminent danger of perishing by thirst.'

Ch. XXXVIII.—14. *It is turned as clay to the seal.* When the corn granary at Grand Cairo, belonging to the sultan, is full, the inspectors, says Norden, having shut the door, put on their seal upon a handful of clay, which they make use of instead of wax. 23. *The snow.* Leo Africanus says, caravans in the African deserts are sometimes suddenly overtaken with such furious storms of snow, that the beasts and carriages and themselves are buried in it.

Ch. XXXIX.—1. *The wild goats of the rock.* This animal is called also ibex, and, in French, bouquetin, which name means 'goat of the rock.' It is a species of wild goat, so called from the wonderful manner in which they mount to the top of the highest rocks, to which quality the sacred writers allude, in the other two passages besides this where the word occurs, 1 Sam. xxiv. 2; Ps. civ. 18; and to this natural historians bear abundant witness. Johnstone, in his 'History of Quadrupeds,' says, 'it is certain there is no thing of the mountain so high, prominent, or steep, but this animal will mount it in a trice or leape, provided only it be rough, and have protuberances large enough to receive its hoofs in leaping.' 9. *Unicorn.* This is generally supposed to mean the rhinoceros. The Rev. Mr. Campbell, in Africa, saw the head of an animal of this description quite different from others, which was brought in by the Hottentots, of which he gives the following account in his 'Travels in South Africa.' 'The common African rhinoceros has a crooked horn, resembling a cock's spur, which rises about 9 or 10 inches above the nose, and inclines backwards; immediately behind this is a short thick horn. But the head they brought had a straight horn, projecting 3 feet from the forehead, about 10 inches above the tip of the nose. The projection of this great horn very much resembles that of the fanciful unicorn in the British arms. It has a small thick horny substance, 6 inches long, immediately behind it, and which can hardly be observed on the animal at the distance of 100 yards, and seems to be designed for keeping fast that which is penetrated by the long horn; so that this species must look like a unicorn (in the sense one-horned) when running in the field. The head resembled in size a 9 gallon cask, and measured 2 feet from the top to the ear, and being much larger than that of the one with the crooked horn, and which measured 11 feet in length, the animal itself must have been still larger and more formidable. From its weight, and the position of the horn, it appears capable of performing any creature hitherto known. Hardly any of the natives took the smallest notice of the head, but treated it as a thing familiar to them. As the entire horn is perfectly solid, the natives, I afterwards heard, make from one horn four handles for their battle-axes. Our people wounded another, which they reported to be much larger.' The author adds, in a note, that the head was so weighty, and the distance from the Cape so great, that it appeared necessary to cut off the under jaw, and leave it behind. The animal is considered by naturalists, since the arrival of the skull in London, to be the unicorn of the ancients, and the same that is described here. 14. *Which leaveth her eggs, &c.* The eggs of the ostrich are of the size of an African citron, or a six-and-thirty pounded shot. She lays from thirty to fifty at a time, the first of which she deposits in the centre, and the rest as conveniently as possible round it. In this manner she is said to 'leave,' deposit, or trust, her eggs in the

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earth, and to warm them' (by incubation) 'in the dust, and forgetteth that the foot' of the traveller 'may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.' It is also observed, that the ostrich has a very small share of natural affection; for, upon the least distinct noise, or trivial occasion, she forsakes her eggs, or young ones, to which she perhaps never returns; or, if she does, it may be too late to restore genial warmth to the one, or preserve the lives of the other. Accordingly the Arabs often meet with whole nests of these eggs undisturbed, and often with a few of the young ones, about the size of a pullet, half-starved, straggling and moaning about, like distressed orphans in search of a mother. Hence the ostrich may be justly said 'to be hardened against her young ones, as though they were not hers;' her labour, in hatching and attending them so far, 'being in vain, without fear,' or the least concern of what becomes of them afterwards. This want of affection is also mentioned by the prophet Jeremiah: "the daughter of my people is become cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness."—Lam. iv. 3. This desertion is, however, thought by some to arise from timidity and forgetfulness rather than indifference. (See note and cut end of Job.)

Ch. XLI.—31. *He maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.* The sea, that is, the Nile, as in Isa. xi. 15. The Nile is often so called by the Arabian writers, on account of the size of the river, and because, at certain times, it is spread over the whole of the Delta, like a sea. "Like a pot of ointment," by reason of the mud and slime which he stirs up, when he agitates the waters: probably also with a view to the sweet smell which many writers have noticed as belonging to the crocodile.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO THE PSALMS.

Ps. I.—3. *The rivers of water* in this verse, are the sluices or trenches, through which water was conveyed in rivulets, over the gardens of the East, in order to render them more fertile. (See Deut. xi. 10.) 4. *Like the chaff which the wind driveth away.* Here is a reference to the process of winnowing corn. When it had been threshed, or rather crushed and trodden, in the open threshing-floor, it was thrown out, all together, into the middle of the floor; it was then tossed up into the wind, which removed the broken straw and the chaff, while the grain, the unthreshed ears, and clods of earth with grain adhering to them, fell in a separate heap. The earth and other impurities were then removed from the grain by means of a sieve, and the winnowed heap, containing many ears that were broken, but not fully crushed out, was exposed again to the threshing operation. This was again thrown across the wind by a shovel, rendered 'fan' in our version of Isaiah xxx. 24, when the pure grain fell to the ground, and the light chaff was borne away by the wind, as the Psalmist here describes. The scattered straw, so far as required for the fodder of cattle and the making of bricks, was collected for use; but the light chaff of the second winnowing was left in the ground, entangled with the stubble (the threshing-floor being in the harvest field), with which it was burnt in the ground, to help to manure the soil. It therefore furnished a fit symbol of the destruction of the wicked. Those winnowing processes are still followed in the East; and, as far as appears by their paintings, are much the same as were practised by the ancient Egyptians.

Ps. XVII.—5. *Hold up my goings in thy paths.* Eastern roads for travellers are made by the camels' feet, and where there is verdure they form many *paths* in one broad way.—Scottish Mission. 13. *Fat.* We know that, in the Holy Scriptures, fatness denotes pride. This connection of ideas is still maintained in the East, where, when it is intended to indicate a proud man, he is said to be fat, or to look fat, whether really so or not.

Ps. XIX.—5. *A bridegroom coming out of his chamber.* An allusion to the marriage ceremonies of the Jews; one of which was for the bridegroom to go out of his chamber at midnight, with many attendants bearing lamps and torches. This chamber was a kind of alcove, separated from the larger chambers in the Eastern houses by a veil, and in which their beds were placed. The nuptials of the Jews, as of other Eastern nations, were celebrated with great magnificence and splendour; and in the procession, which formed a part of the solemnity, the bridegroom, in particular, was distinguished by the brilliancy of his apparel.

Ps. XXII.—12. *Bulls.* In Scripture, bulls seem to be emblematical of violent and wicked men. Among the ancients generally, including the Hebrews, horned beasts were symbolical of power, and hence horns alone had the same import. The strength, courage, and ferocity of the bull rendered it, in this connection of ideas, peculiarly suitable to symbolize the violent and powerful oppressor. At present, in the East, strong and violent fellows, who insult and domineer over others, are still called 'bulls.'

Ps. XXIII.—4. *Thy rod and thy staff.* In Greece every shepherd uses a large wooden crook, with which he guides and defends the sheep.—Scottish Mission. 5. *Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.* In the East the people frequently anoint their visitors with some very fragrant perfume, and give them a cup or glass of some choice wine, which they are careful to fill till it runs over. The first was designed to show their love and respect, the latter to imply that, while they remained there, they should have an abundance of everything. To something of this kind the Psalmist probably alludes in this passage. It is an act of great respect, among the people of the East, to pour perfumed oil on the head of a distinguished guest. An English lady went on board an Arabian ship which touched at Trincomalee, for the purpose of seeing the equipment of the vessel, and to make some little purchases. After she had been seated some time in the cabin, an Arabian female came and poured perfumed oil upon her head.

Ps. XXVI.—6. *I will wash mine hands in innocency.* It was a common custom among all the Jews to wash before prayers; but the priests, in particular, were not to perform any sacred office in the sanctuary, till they had poured water out of the laver and washed their hands in it. David alludes to this custom.

Ps. XXXIII.—2. *With harp.* A musical instrument, invented by Jubal (Gen. iv. 21), used by the Jews only when feelings of mirth and joy were expressed. (Ps. cxxxvii. 1, 2, &c.) Called a *pleasant* harp, as opposed to instruments of sorrow. David's skill in handling it was great. (1 Sam. xvi. 16, 23.) It was used, in connexion with other instruments, to celebrate the goodness of Jehovah, in the service of his house. (1 Chron. xiii. 8, &c.) Calmet thinks the lyre, with three strings, is here meant. *Psaltery.* The psaltery was made in the form of a leathern bag, and turned round in playing. Many of these instruments resembled our modern harps, and some had ten strings, others more.

Ps. XXXV.—7. *Net in a pit.* This alludes to the custom of digging pits, and putting nets in them, covered with straw, &c., to catch wild beasts. 13. *And my prayer returned into mine own bosom.* When the Orientalists pray seriously, in a state of grief, they hide their faces in their bosom; and to this custom the Psalmist here alludes. 16. *With hypocritical mockers in feasts.* Wilkinson states, that the ancient Egyptians were entertained at their feasts by buffoons. Query, were these among the Hebrews ever masked? Roberts says, on Job xvi. 9, 10, that showing and gnashing the teeth, like a wild beast, is a method of displaying anger still common in the East. May not this verse then allude to pantomimes of mock respect, grimaces, jests, and songs of court buffoons, perhaps, grotesquely masked, during hours of festal ribaldry, when the worst passions were excited by intemperance.—Dr. Jenks.

Ps. XXXVII.—14. *Bent their bow.* This is a work of skill and strength. Suidas says, the Arabs bend their bows with their feet, and use arrows as long as themselves; like the jerreed perhaps, now thrown by hand, not feathered, but tapering to a point, as arrows seen on ancient Egyptian monuments. Some savages have been said to sit on the ground, and bending their bow with their feet raised in the air, to use both hands, to

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poise the arrow and draw the string; thus availing themselves of the full strength of all their limbs.

Ps. XXXIX.—11. *Thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth.* The moths of the East are very large and beautiful, but short-lived. After a few showers, these splendid insects may be seen fluttering in every breeze; but the dry weather, and their numerous enemies, soon consign them to the common lot. Thus the beauty of man consumes away like that of this gay rover, dressed in his robes of purple, and scarlet, and green.

Ps. XLII.—7. *Waterspouts.* The water-spout is a trumpet-shaped cone, with the small end downwards, descending from a dense cloud and agitating and whirling round the waters of the ocean. They are sometimes terrible in their consequences when they burst. Their duration is short, but occasionally they last for a quarter of an hour. Travellers state that they are common on the coasts of Syria, and they may perhaps occur on the sea of Galilee, near which David was, surrounded as it is by mountains, through whose narrow gorges gusts of wind are ever coming to disturb the water. The Dead Sea, too, may perhaps be exposed to such whirlwinds and their consequences. Roberts says of one he saw, 'The noise of the water, made in rushing from the water-spout and again dashing into the sea, strongly recalled the expression, "Deep calleth unto deep, at the noise of thy waterspouts."'

Ps. XLV.—3. *Gird thy sword upon thy thigh.* The Eastern swords, whose blades are very broad, are worn by the inhabitants of these countries under their thigh when they travel on horseback. Chardin takes notice of these particulars. He says, 'the Eastern people have their swords hanging down at length, and the Turks wear their swords on horseback under the thigh. This passage, and also Cant. iii. 8, show they were them after the same manner anciently. 8. *All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia.* The people of the East are extremely fond of perfumes, and they are so easily obtained, either from animals, gums, or vegetables, that all enjoy them. On festive occasions their garments have an extra dash, and so powerful is the scent from a numerous assemblage, that an Englishman can scarcely bear it. 13. *Her clothing is of wrought gold.* Garments curiously wrought with gold lace. The embroidered work of Egypt is mentioned in Exek. xxvii. 7, and is probably analogous to the 'needle work' to which the text before us refers. At the present day, as well in Egypt as in the countries of western Asia, it is common among the ladies, even of the highest rank, to employ much of their time in embroidering linen and cotton tissues, particularly veils and handkerchiefs, with threads of silver or gold and silk of various colours.



Egyptian Dresses of Needlework.—*Rosellini.*

Ps. XLVI.—4. *A river—make glad the city.* Such an allusion may receive an illustration in a river which runs through one of the streets of Smyrna, refreshing the inhabitants by its cooling streams and affording shade from the trees growing on its banks.

Ps. XLVIII.—11, 12. *Let mount Zion rejoice—walk about Zion, &c.* Mount Zion was the citadel, and probably chosen by David more on account of its overlooking the town he had recently conquered, than for its extent. To the north the ground is more level and adapted for buildings, and on that side we are informed the city spread. According to Josephus, the third wall, built by Agrippa, was raised to protect the houses on the north side, which were naked and defenceless; as the city, becoming too populous and too narrow for its inhabitants, had gradually crept out into suburbs in that quarter; where there is a space for a yet larger city than was the ancient Jerusalem, from the account of her own historian. The present walls encircle about one third of mount Zion, (the rest being ploughed as a field,) Calvary, Moriah, Bezetha, and a small portion of Acra.—Three Weeks in Palestine. (*See notes and cut end of Heb.*)

Ps. LV.—6. *Oh that I had wings like a dove!* The dove is a bird of a very rapid and unwearied wing. The natural characteristics of the dove forcibly impress the mind with the beauty of this simile. She is a bird whose affection for her home is so strong, that, unless absolutely starved out, she will not quit; and, however far away, if loosed from confinement, she starts directly homewards. She is very rapid in flight.—Greenfield.

Ps. LVII.—8. *Awake, psaltery and harp.* The Orientals often speak to inanimate objects as if they had intelligence. Thus a strolling musician, before he begins to play in your presence, says, 'Arise, arise my harp before this great king, play sweetly in his hearing, and well shalt thou be rewarded.'—Roberts.

Ps. LVIII.—4. *Like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear.* Several of the serpent tribe are believed to be deaf, or very dull of hearing. Perhaps that which is called the puddeyan, the beaver serpent, is more so than any other. I have several times been close upon them, but they did not offer to get out of the way. They lurk in the path, and the victim bitten by them will expire a few minutes after the bite.—Roberts. 5. *Voice of the charmers.* Charmers of serpents are still common in the East, and, at the moment of writing this article there are some exhibiting their powers at the Zoological Gardens, in the Regent's Park, London. These charmers pretend to use incantations, and seem to succeed with music. Sir W. Jones says, that a learned native of India told him, that he had frequently seen the most venomous and malignant snakes leave their holes upon hearing notes from a flute, which he supposed gave them peculiar delight. The poisonous fangs of the serpents exhibited are evidently extracted. Yet instances are not rare, where the charmers will handle very venomous serpents in their natural state, but some have paid for their courage with their lives. The deadly bite has killed them in a few hours; where they have escaped they have been indebted to a certain dexterity in handling them. 9. *Before your pots can feel the thorns.* On account of the scarcity of wood, the most usual fuel in the East is dung, which burns very slowly; they however heat their pots with thorns or small twigs, which burn remarkably quick.

Ps. LIX.—6. *They make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.* The dogs at Constantinople are not domesticated. They prowl about the streets day and night, and live upon what they can find; and at night they go howling about the city, exactly according to the description of the Psalmist.—Sir Herschell.

Ps. LX.—4. *Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth.* The modern Eastern people consider the giving of a banner as a sure pledge of protection. Thus Albert Aquensis informs us, that when Jerusalem was taken in 1099, about three hundred Saracens got upon the roof of a very lofty building, and earnestly begged for quarter; but they could not be induced, by any promises of safety, to come down till they had received the banner of Tancred, one of the chiefs of the Crusade army, as a pledge of life.

Ps. LXII.—3. *As a bowing wall.* The heavy rains and floods in the East soak the foundations which are unsound, and it is a common sight to behold walls out of their perpendicular, and in the most dangerous condition.

Ps. LXIII.—1. *My soul thirsteth for thee.* We anxiously sought for some water to refresh us. At length our guide found a very deep well, and with some difficulty contrived, by tying a stone to my leathern bottle, to bring up some water from it. We felt much refreshed by it, and thought it so precious, that we were

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afraid lest a drop should be wasted. I realised the peculiar appropriateness of the figure so often used in Scripture and in Ps. lxiii. 1. A well of good water is even more indispensable to a traveller in a dry and thirsty land, than "the shadow of a great rock," acceptable as that is.—Ilerschell.

Ps. LXV.—1. *Praise waiteth for thee, O God.* The people of the East are much given to meditation, and silent praise, and sometimes they may be seen for hours so completely absorbed, as to be insensible to all surrounding objects.

Ps. LXVI.—11. *Thou laidst affliction upon our loins.* Alluding to the method of carrying heavy burdens. Ancient Egyptian monuments thus represent very heavy burdens as borne on the back: and the method is still the most common one in southern Europe, Turkey, &c. The Turkish porters also bend to a right angle, and carry immense weights on their loins and back.—Dr. Jenks.

Ps. LXVIII.—13. *Lien among the pots.* Israel making bricks in Egypt, and lodging like slaves between the rows of the kilns, or furnaces, being covered with clay and smoke, appeared very mean.—Scott. 21. *The hairy scalp.* The hairy scalp means the crown of the head, the principal strength, confidence, and glory of the enemy. The hair was very much cultivated and cared for, both by the Egyptians and other nations. In the temple-palace of Rameses the Great there is a representation of that conqueror seizing, by a tuft of hair, a crowd of the conquered to massacre before his god, and the sculptures represent a single figure seizing his captive by a scalp-tuft to butcher him. The text is expressive of utter subversion.

Ps. LXIX.—21. *They gave me vinegar to drink.* The ancients had several kinds of vinegar which they used for drink. The Roman emperor, Pescennius Niger, gave orders that his soldiers should drink nothing but vinegar on their marches. Harvesters also used this liquor for their refreshment. (See Ruth ii. 14.) Pliny speaks of several sorts of vinegar which might be drunk. This vinegar was not like that which we use for salads and sauces, but a small wine. They make great use of it in Spain and Italy in harvest time: they use it also in Holland, and on shipboard, to correct the ill taste of the water. There was, however, a kind of strong vinegar which was not proper for drinking, at least till well diluted. And here it may be right to distinguish between that vinegar or small wine, which was used as a beverage, and in which the harvesters dipped their bread, and that which was of considerable strength and used in sauces.

LXXII.—9. *His enemies shall lick the dust.* In Mr. Hugh Boyd's account of his embassy to the king of Candy, in Ceylon, there is a paragraph which singularly illustrates this text, and shows the adulation and obsequious reverence with which an Eastern monarch is approached. Describing his introduction to the king, he says, 'the removal of the curtain was the signal of our obeisances. Mine, by stipulation, was to be only kneeling. My companions immediately began the performance of theirs, which were in the most perfect degree of Eastern humiliation. They almost literally licked the dust, prostrating themselves with their faces nearly close to the stone floor, and throwing out their arms and legs; then rising on their knees, they repeated, in a very loud voice, a certain form of words of the most extravagant meaning that can be conceived: that the head of the king of kings might reach beyond the sun,—that he might live a thousand years,' &c.

Ps. LXXIV.—11. *Pluck it out of thy bosom.* The word we translate bosom does not always in Eastern language mean the breast—though it is common in the East to have a pocket or fold in the garment there, and to rest the hand in it—but often the lap, or that part of the body where the long robe folds round the loins and where they keep their little valuables, and there, when perfectly at ease, they place their hands. So the expression in the text is still in use to urge to exertion.

Ps. LXXV.—8. *It is full of mixture.* It is not agreeable to our notions to regard 'mixed wine' as stronger than wine unadulterated; in the same manner the Greeks and Latins, by 'unmixed wine,' understood wine diluted and lowered by water. The Hebrews, however, generally mean by the phrase wine made stronger by the addition of higher and more powerful ingredients, such as honey, spices, defrutum, (or wine inspissated by boiling it down to two thirds or one half of the quantity), myrrh, moudragora, opiates, and other strong drugs. Drunkards are accordingly described (Prov. xxiii. 30) as "seeking mixed wine;" and in Isa. v. 22, as 'mighty to mingle strong drink.' Such was the "spiced wine," mentioned in Cant. viii. 2.

Ps. LXXVII.—19. *Thy footsteps are not known.* 'Ayd still expressed his certainty that somebody had approached us last night, so much confidence did he place in the barking of his dog; he therefore advised me to hasten my way back, as some Arabs might see our footsteps in the sand, and pursue us in quest of a booty. On departing, Ayd, who was barefooted, and whose feet had become sore with walking, took from under the date bush, round which we had passed the night, a pair of leathern sandals, which he knew belonged to his Beywat friend, the fisherman, and which the latter had hidden here till his return. In order to inform the owner that it was he who had taken the sandals, he impressed his footstep in the sand just by, which he knew the other would immediately recognise; and he turned the toes towards the south, to indicate that he had proceeded with the sandals in that direction.' If the footstep so clearly points out both the individual who impresses it on the sand, and the course he has taken, in how impressive a manner does Asaph represent the incomprehensibleness of the conduct of Jehovah, when he says, "thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known."—S. Burder.

Ps. LXXVIII.—66. *He smote his enemies in the hinder part.* The allusion is to those who have run away in battle, and to be wounded in the back is exceedingly disgraceful in the East.

Ps. LXXIX.—2. *The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat.* The calamity here lamented by the Psalmist, namely, that of slaughtered bodies lying unburied, and exposed to beasts and birds of prey, is inexpressibly shocking to humanity to behold, or even to contemplate. Such a scene we may, perhaps, find difficult to be imagined. The following description of what Bruce witnessed in Abyssinia may serve to illustrate the Psalmist's idea. 'The bodies of those killed by the sword were hewn to pieces, and scattered about the streets, being denied burial. I was miserable, and almost driven to despair, at seeing my hunting dogs, twice let loose by the carelessness of my servants, bringing into the court-yard the heads and arms of slaughtered men, and which I could no way prevent but by the destruction of the fellows themselves. The quantity of the carrion, and the stench of it, brought down the hyenas in hundreds from the neighbouring mountains; and, as few people in Gondar go out after it is dark, they enjoyed the streets to themselves, and seemed ready to dispute the possession of the city with the inhabitants.' 11. *Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee.* Sir J. Chardin illustrates this passage, by noting the discretionary power which it is usual to entrust to the keepers of prisoners in the East, and the consequent severity and inhumanity with which prisoners are wont to be treated.

Ps. LXXX.—13. *The boar out of the wood doth waste it.* The wild boar is much smaller than our domestic hog, but stronger and more undaunted, with formidable tusks, and habits fierce and savage. He is particularly destructive to corn-fields and vineyards, by burrowing his nose into the ground to seek for the grubs of insects, of which he is particularly fond, and which are chiefly found near the roots of the growing crops.

Ps. LXXXIII.—14. *As the fire burneth a wood.* In uncultivated countries it is a usual practice to set the woods on fire, as the first step towards clearing the land. Homer alludes to this custom.

Ps. LXXXIX.—12. *Tabor and Hermon.* Hermon was a famous mountain in the northern part of the Holy Land, and forming part of Anti-libanus. It is, probably, the highest of all the Lebanon mountains, and is thought to rival Mont Blanc. Its top is covered with snow during the summer. Tabor and Hermon being mentioned together has led to mistakes, from an idea that they were near each other, which was not the case. Tabor is on the west of Judea, and Hermon on the east. 'We ascended Mount Tabor by a winding path on its western side, keeping our seats on our horses during our progress, except at one or two places at which we dismounted, more for convenience than from necessity. Our ascent occupied an hour and ten minutes. We experienced much exhilaration of spirits in our progress, and were wishful to start among the bushes some of the wild hogs which abound on the hill, or of the leopards which are there occasionally seen, but we were disappointed. We had no adventure of any kind by the way; nor is this

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necessary for the interest of the traveller, in this country of natural beauty, and hallowed reminiscences and associations. The mountain on which we were is still fresh and lovely, and the Christian traveller can sympathise with the Psalmist as he sings, "Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy name."'—Dr. Wilson's Lands of the Bible. 97. *As the moon, and as a faithful witness.* 'The moon,' says Greenfield, 'is probably termed a faithful witness, because by her, particularly, time is measured. Her *decrease* and *increase* are especially observed by every nation: and by these time is generally estimated, especially among Eastern nations:—so many moons is a man old, so many moons since such an event happened:—and even their years are reckoned by lunations.' 43. *Turned the edge of his sword.* Those ancient nations that knew not the art of hardening their weapons, suffered in battle against a better armed foe, by their swords being blunted or bent, and rendered useless for the conflict.

Ps. XC.—4. *As a watch in the night.* Sir John Chardin observes that, 'as the people of the East have no clocks, the several parts of the day, which are eight in all, are given notice of.' In the Indies the parts of the night are made known, as well by instruments of music in great cities, as by the rounds of watchmen, who, with cries and small drums, give them notice that a fourth of the night is passed. Now, as these cries awakened those who had slept all that quarter of the night, it appeared to them but a moment.

Ps. XCI.—6. *The arrow that flieth by day.* The arrow, in this passage, means the pestilence. The Arabs thus denote it: 'I desired to remove to a less contagious air. I received from Solyman the emperor this message: that the emperor wondered what I meant in desiring to remove my habitation. Is not the pestilence God's arrow, which will always hit his mark? If God would visit me herewith, how could I avoid it? "Is not the plague," said he, "in my own palace? and yet I do not think of removing."'

Ps. XCII.—10. *I shall be anointed with fresh oil.* Unguents and perfumes are in general use among the Orientalists, and, figuratively used, denote great comfort and refreshment. 12. *Flourish like the palm-tree.* (See note and cut end of Ps.) *Grow like a cedar in Lebanon.* There is a reference to its regular steady growth year after year, marked by a new circle upon the bark.—Dr. Keith.

Ps. CII.—6. *I am like a pelican of the wilderness.* It is generally supposed that, agreeably to the Septuagint, the bird here intended is the pelican, or onocrotalus, also a species of pelican. This bird inhabits the greatest part of the old world, being found in most climates. It is a bird of solitary habits, and is said by Isidore to live 'in the solitude of the river Nile; indeed, it generally builds its nest in mossy, turfy places, in the islands of rivers or lakes, far from the abode of man. It is here described as living 'in the wilderness,' a circumstance not inconsistent with its natural fondness for water: for, independently of there being occasionally lakes, as well as fountains, in the most desert parts, the use of the monstrous pouch, or bag, with which the animal is furnished, appears to be that she may be supplied with sustenance for herself and young ones, when at a distance from the water. Accordingly she is said, by naturalists, not always to remain in the water, but sometimes to retire far from it: and often to hatch her young far from water, in some remote and private place, for security.



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Ps. CVII.—5. *Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.* Many perish victims of the most horrible thirst. It is then the value of a cup of water is really felt: he that has a sensible of it is the richest of all. In such a case there is no distinction; if the master has none, the servant will not give it to him—for very few are the instances where a man will voluntarily lose his life to save that of another, particularly in a caravan in the desert, where people are strangers to each other. What a situation for a man, though a rich one, perhaps the owner of all the caravan! He is crying for a cup of water—no one gives it to him; he offers all he possesses—no one hears him; they are all dying, though, by walking a few hours farther, they might be saved. The camels are lying down, and cannot be made to rise; no one has strength to walk: only he that has a glass of that precious liquid lives to walk a mile farther, and perhaps dies too. To be thirsty in a desert, without water, exposed to the burning sun, without shelter, and no hope of finding either, is the most terrible situation that a man can be placed in; and I believe that it is one of the greatest sufferings that a human being can sustain. The eyes grow inflamed, the tongue and lips swell, a hollow sound is heard in the ears which brings on deafness, and the brain appear to grow thick and inflamed. All these feelings arise from the want of a little water.

Ps. CIX.—23. *Tossed up and down as the locust.* The swarms of locusts are so numerous in Barbary, that they fly in the air like a succession of clouds. When the wind blows briskly, so that the swarms are crowded by others, and thrown one upon another, we have a lively idea of this comparison of the Psalmist. —Shaw.

Ps. CXVI.—13. *The cup of salvation.* These were drink-offerings that were made in the eucharistic sacrifices. And this "cup of salvation" was sometimes presented in a solemn manner by the priests in the temple; and sometimes it formed a religious rite in families, on deliverance from any calamity. On those occasions the husband, or father, drank of the cup first himself, offering a short form of blessing and thanksgiving to God, and then he presented it, in order, to all present.

Ps. CXXI.—6. *The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.* The moon has also a pernicious effect upon those who sleep in its beams; and fish having been exposed to them for one night, becomes most injurious to those who eat it. Hence our English seamen, when sailing in tropical climes, always take care to place their fish out of the sight of the moon.'

Ps. CXXIII.—2. *As the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters.* The servants in the East stand round their masters and his guests with the most profound respect, maintaining silence and order. The commands are all given by signs. A wink of the eye or a motion of the fingers, not understood by strangers, may in some cases express something the most important, and with the despot may terminate the life of some unfortunate individual. Herschell, in his late visit to his father-land, particularly noticed this custom when he paid a visit to the Pasha of Beyroot. Several attendants stood at the lower end of the room, with their eyes steadily fixed upon him, so that with the slightest movement of the hand he could signify his wishes to them. It was a complete illustration of Psalm cxxiii.—2.

Ps. CXXV.—2. *As the mountains are round about Jerusalem.* 'My impatience to see the holy city increased every hour. As we climbed up each ridge I expected that from its summit we should behold Jerusalem; but I was doomed to many disappointments; as summit after summit only gave to view another range of hills to be surmounted. While on this tedious journey, I was made fully to understand the comparison of the Psalmist in Ps. cxxv. 2.'—Herschell.

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Ps. CXXVII.—4, 5. *As arrows—so are children.* The Orientals are accustomed to call brave and valiant sons the 'arrows' and 'darts' of their parents, because they are able to defend them. 'To sharpen arrows,' 'to make sharp arrows,' is among them, to get brave and valiant sons. *His quiver full.* The quiver was very capacious and well supplied with arrows.

Ps. CXXVIII.—3. *As a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house.* The Orientals are exceedingly fond of having their houses covered with different kinds of vines. Vines are actually planted in their houses, and cover the stairs leading to the upper parts of the harem.



Ps. CXXIX.—6. *The grass upon the housetops.* As the tops of the houses in the East are flat, and covered with plaister of terrace, they are frequently grown over with grass, or other vegetable productions; but, from the want of proper nourishment, it is but small and weak; and from its elevation, being exposed to the scorching sun, it is soon withered.

Ps. CXXXII.—3. *Go up into my bed.* We see by early Egyptian monuments, that the ancient method of ascending to the royal couch was by steps. 6. *Ephrata.* This denotes the district or lot belonging to the tribe of Ephraim, in which tribe at Shiloh the ark and the tabernacle long remained. (Josh. xviii. 1; Judg. xviii. 31; 1 Sam. i. 3.)

Ps. CXXXVII.—1. *By the rivers of Babylon.* In their captivity and dispersion it was usual for the Jews to hold their meetings for religious purposes on the banks of rivers. Probably the Tigris and Euphrates are here especially alluded to.

Ps. CXLI.—5. *It shall be an excellent oil, &c.* Certain oils are said to have a most salutary effect on the head: hence in fevers, or in any other complaints which affect the head, the medical men always recommend oil. I have known people who were deranged, cured in a very short time by nothing more than the application of a peculiar oil to the head. There are, however, other kinds which are believed (when thus applied) to produce delirium. Thus the reproofs of the righteous were compared to excellent oil, which produced a most salutary effect on the head. So common is this practice of anointing the head, that those who can afford it do it every week.

Ps. CXLIII.—6. *A thirsty land.* Sir J. Chardin says, as quoted by Harmer, that the lands of the East, which the great dryness there causes to crack, are the ground of this figure, which is certainly extremely beautiful. For these dry lands have chinks too deep for a person to see to the bottom of. This may be observed in the Indies more than any where, a little before the rains fall, and wherever the lands are rich and hard.

Ps. CXLV.—16. *Thou openest thine hand, &c.* A son of Dr. Jenks of the United States, made one of a party who travelled several days in Egypt, under the protection of a janisary directed by the viceroy to attend them. On approaching the end of the journey, the janisary called the muleteers, &c. about him, one by one, and ostentatiously displaying a bag of the little coins called 'parsa,' thrust his hand into it, drew it out closed and full; and opening his hand, spreading his fingers to the utmost extent, dropped the coins into the expecting attendant's cloth, with the air of one whose boundless generosity had distributed uncounted treasures. David probably alludes to some such custom.

Ps. CXLVIII.—9, &c. *Mountains, and all hills, &c.—praise the name of the Lord.* Those who are unacquainted with Oriental literature sometimes affect to smile at the addresses that are made in Scripture to animate and inanimate nature. 'How ridiculous,' say they, 'to talk about the mountains skipping like rams, and the little hills like lambs!' But they know not that this is according to the figurative and luxuriant genius of the people of the East. The proprietor of lands, forests, orchards, and gardens, often exclaims, when walking amongst them in time of drought, 'Ah! trees, plants, and flowers, tanks and cattle, birds and fish, and all living creatures, sing praises to the gods, and rain shall be given to you.'

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Ch. II.—4. *As for hid treasures.* We are told by travellers in the East, that they have very often met with great difficulties from a notion universally disseminated among them, that all Europeans are magicians, and that their visits to those Eastern countries are not to satisfy curiosity, but to find out, and get possession of those vast treasures, which they believe are buried there in great quantities.

Ch. III.—3. *Bind them about thy neck.* Alluding to the custom of wearing on their foreheads and wrists the precepts of the Lord, written on slips of parchment; and also to the chain and other ornaments, which were usually worn round the neck. *Write them upon the table of thine heart.* Alluding to the custom among the Jews of wearing tablets on the breast.

Ch. V.—19. *As the loving hind and the pleasant roe.* 'The Arabs express a woman's beauty by saying, she has the eyes of the gazelle; and to this creature they invariably compare their mistresses, when they wish to give in one word the idea of a perfect beauty. These gazelles are indeed very pretty creatures; and there is especially a certain innocent fear about them, that may well be compared to the modesty and bashfulness of a young girl.'—D'Arvieux.

Ch. VI.—1. *If thou be surety.* Suretyship is very common in the East, even in the most trifling affairs of life. In every magistrate's office may be seen, now and then, a trio entering to become responsible for the engagements of another. The cause of this suretyship is probably the bad faith which prevails among the heathen. *Stricken thy hand.* To strike or join hands was an ancient form of entering into contracts

in all countries and all ages. 13. *He speaketh with his feet.* Thus when guests wish to speak with each other so as not to be observed by the host, they convey their meaning by their feet and toes, which are set at liberty from their sandals when they enter the houses. *He teacheth with his fingers.* Thus merchants, when dealing secretly in the presence of others, throw a cloth over the lap as they sit on the ground, and communicate with each other by the fingers.

Ch. VII.—10. *Attire of an harlot.* In India women of this class usually dress in scarlet: see Rev. xvii. 4. The customs in this matter vary however in different parts of the East. 13. *With an impudent face.* Their ideas of decency in the East, forbid a virtuous woman to lay aside, or even to lift up her veil, in the presence of the other sex; and she who ventures to disregard this prohibition inevitably ruins her character, and the act is regarded as a signal for intrigue. 16. *I have decked my bed, &c.* Baron Du Tott describes an Eastern bed which consisted of many matresses of quilted cotton, placed one upon another, covered with a sheet of Indian linen, a coverlet of green satin, adorned with gold embroidery in embossed work; two pillows of crimson satin, covered with similar embroidery, and a profusion of gold and other ornamental work.

Ch. VIII.—34. *Watching daily at my gates.* Thus persons watched at the gates of royal palaces, either in a way of duty, or in testimony of respect, or expectation of favour from the sovereign.

Ch. IX.—3. *She hath sent forth her maidens.* Maidens were generally employed, in the East, to invite persons to banquets, by a particular kind of cry or noise.

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—Harmer. 14. *She sitteth at the door.* This is mentioned as a gross indecorum, and is in fact what none but the most impudent public women will dare to do, particularly when unveiled, even in the most dissolute cities of the East. Cairo, which is one of these cities, furnishes ample illustrations of all the vicious usages which the wise man reprobates.

Ch. X.—21. *The froward tongue shall be cut out.* This kind of punishment is known in the East, when the tongue has indulged in offensive license. Persons may be met with, particularly in Persia, whose tongues have been cut out by royal or princely order, for offences with that organ. 'The most notorious modern instance,' says Kitto, 'is perhaps that of the late king's treatment of his aged vizier, Hafeez Ibrahim, who, when the machinations of his enemies prevailed, in 1802, was degraded, and condemned to lose his eyes; and when, with Persian liberty of speech, he exclaimed against the injustice and ingratitude of his royal master, the king ordered his tongue to be cut out. He did not long survive.'

Ch. XI.—21. *Hand join in hand.* This is a very solemn method of taking an oath in the East, the hands being joined while a curse is uttered against the false swearer.—See 2 Kings x. 15. Conspirators took a solemn oath of fidelity to each other by joining hand in hand in a circle, hence the principal person of an association for illegal purposes is still called a ring-leader.—Hewlett.

Ch. XIII.—8. *The ransom of a man's life are his riches.* This is remarkably true in the despotic East, where his life is often all that is left to a wealthy man, who is exposed to enormous exactions, with or without pretext, according to the need or whim of an arbitrary sovereign or his representative.—Dr. Jenks.

Ch. XV.—19. *An hedge of thorns.* Some fences in the Holy Land are of exceedingly sharp thorns with strong spikes. Doubdan found near Bethlehem a fruitful garden enclosed with a hedge; the road part strongly formed of thorns, rose bushes, and the wild prickly pomegranate, of surpassing beauty and fragrance.—Paxton.

Ch. XVII.—19. *He that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.* The Arabs are accustomed to ride into the houses of those they design to harass. To prevent this, Thevenot tells us, (Travels, part I. p. 181) that the door of the house in which the French merchants lived at Rama was not three feet high, and that all the doors of that town are equally low. Agreeably to this account the Abbe Mariti, speaking of his admission into a monastery near Jerusalem, says, 'The passage is so low that it will scarcely admit a horse, and it is shut by a gate of iron, strongly secured in the inside. As soon as we entered, it was again made fast with various bolts and bars of iron, a precaution extremely necessary in a desert place, exposed to the incursions and insolent attacks of the Arabs.'—Travels through Palestine, Vol III. p. 37. Mr. Drummond (Travels, let. IX. p. 187) says, 'that in the country round Noodge in Syria, the poor miserable Arabs are under the necessity of hewing their houses out of the rock, and cutting very small doors or openings to them, that they may not be made stables for the Turkish horse as they pass and repass.' And thus, long before him, Sandys (Travels, p. 117) says, 'At Gaza in Palestine, we lodged under an arch in a little court, together with our asses; the door exceeding low, as are all that belong unto Christians, to withstand the sudden entrance of the insolent Turks. *To exalt the gate* would consequently be to court destruction.—Turner's Tour in the Levant, Vol. III. p. 61. S. Burder.

Ch. XVIII.—18. *The lot causeth contentions to cease.* In nearly all cases where reason cannot decide, recourse is had in the East to the lot.

Ch. XIX.—13. *A continual dropping.* The arbours and wicker work closets of the Orientalists are delightfully cool and fragrant in the dry part of the year, but in wet weather the flat roofs and nature of the structures expose those who fare in them to the annoyance of "a continual dropping." Hence the allusion.—So Harmer. 24. *A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, &c.* For *bosom* read more properly 'pot' or 'dish.' The Arabs dip into the dish with their hands, and take from its contents rice, &c. in their palms and fingers. The proverb means, that the slothful man is too lazy to feed himself.

Ch. XX.—26. *And bringeth the wheel over them.* Some think the allusion is to the ancient mode of threshing, by driving a sledge-like cart, drawn by two oxen, over grain till it was separated entirely from the straw. Others consider that it refers to a punishment by the wheel.

Ch. XXI.—1. *As the rivers—he turneth it.* The rivers mean the rills and canals, cut from the larger streams and turned so as to water every part of the Eastern garden. See note and cut end of Deut. 9. *In a corner of the housetop.* During the summer season, it was usual to sleep on the tops of the houses, which were flat and properly guarded by a parapet wall; for which purpose little arbours were formed upon them. This, however pleasant in fine weather, must have been much otherwise in bad weather.—Harmer.



Ch. XXIII.—31. *When it is red.* Red wine is more esteemed in the East than white; and we are told in the travels of Olearius, that it is customary with the Armenian Christians in Persia, to put Brasil wood, or saffron, into the wine to give it a higher colour, when the wine is not so red as they like, as they set little value upon white wine.

Ch. XXIV.—11. *If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death.* Among the Jews, when a man was led to execution, a crier went before him and proclaimed, 'This man is now going to be executed for such a crime, and such and such are witnesses against him; whosoever knows him to be innocent, let him come forth and make it appear.'

Ch. XXV.—7. *Than that thou shouldest be put lower.* Rank is studiously regarded in Eastern feasts. The upper part of the room is the most respectable, and there the most dignified individual will be placed. But should a person of inferior rank presume to occupy that situation, he will soon be told to go to a lower station. 11. *Like apples of gold in pictures of silver.* When Eastern princes visit each other, or when men of rank have to go into their presence, they often send silver trays, on which are gold ornaments as presents to the king to propitiate him in their favour. Hence the allusion. 13. *As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, &c.* As the mixing of snow with wine in the sultry time of harvest is pleasing and refreshing, so a successful messenger revives the spirit of his master who sent him, and who was ready to faint from an apprehension of the failure. The practice of cooling wines with snow was usual among the Eastern nations. It was derived from the Asiatics and Greeks to the Romans. Plutarch describes the manner in which they preserved the snow by covering it with straw, and coarse cloths unshorn. In some hot countries it was often difficult to obtain it, and they were obliged to search into the hollow cliffs to collect it. Mount Hebron, which was always covered with snow, plentifully supplied the inhabitants of the country near it, from whence it was often carried to Tyre.

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Ch. XXVI.—3. *A bridle for the ass.* According to our English notions, we should rather say, a bridle for a horse, and a whip for an ass. It should be considered, however, that the Eastern asses, particularly those of the Arabian breed, are much larger, more beautiful, and better goers than those in our cold northerly countries; and so no doubt they were anciently in Palestine, where, as we find from many passages, they were the beasts on which people usually rode.

Ch. XXVII.—9. *Ointment and perfume, &c.* An allusion to the Eastern mode of shewing complaisance by sprinkling the guest with distilled waters of roses, &c. which we have explained more fully in other places.

Ch. XXVIII.—3. *A sweeping rain which leaveth no food.* For many months no rain falls in the East, but when it does fall it threatens a second deluge. The cracked ground swells, the houses sink on the softened ground, all creatures take some shelter, vegetation and its fruits are destroyed, and man and beast have to feel the scarcity of food. 15. *A ranging bear.* The bear here intended is the brown or red bear common in all parts of the world. It is larger than the black bear, and a beast of prey that in strength and ferocity scarcely yields to the lion. It is carnivorous and furiously attacks men, while the black feed chiefly on roots, fruits, and vegetables, but never on other animals. The black bear must have been unknown to the inhabitants of Canaan, while the red bear infested their country, prowled around their flocks, and watched near their dwellings, affording them but too many opportunities of studying his character, and too much reason to remember his manners.—Paxton. 27. *But he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.* How is the heart of the poor Oriental suppliant turned within him, as he beholds him, in whose path he had placed himself to appeal for succour, purposely averting his face in passing; not even deigning to look towards the place where his petitioner stands!—Roberts.

Ch. XXX.—26. *The conies, &c.* That the animal meant is "Israel's lamb," otherwise called ashkoko, is confirmed by this passage in Proverbs, where they are described to be "a feeble flock," an expression probably alluding to their feet, which appear very inadequate to the work of digging holes in the rock: these feet are frequently round, very pulpy or fleshy; notwithstanding which, they build houses on the very hardest rocks, more inaccessible than those of the rabbits, in which they abide in greater safety, not by exertion of strength, (for, in Solomon's words, they are altogether "a feeble folk") but by their own sagacity and judgment.

Ch. XXXI.—6. *Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish.* A reference to the intoxicating draught given to criminals at the moment of execution to make their departure more easy.—Wintle. 18. *Her candle goeth not out by night.* Embroidery is still the constant employment of Greek females. Virgil, in the Æneid, says, 'The lamp of a pretty neighbour of mine, who follows that trade, is always lighted before day, and her young assistants are always at work betimes in the morning.' 24. *She maketh fine linen, and selleth it.* Herodotus mentions the Egyptian women's carrying on commerce as a curiosity. *Girdles.* These were often very costly and interwoven or embroidered with gold. They confined the flowing robe of the Easterns, and held their swords, money, &c., and were an article of commerce between the Phenicians, Egyptians, and other nations.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO ECCLESIASTES.

Ch. I.—6. *According to his circuits.* In Judea, and in many other parts of the world, the winds are by no means so variable as they are in this country, but are periodical, and are observed to return with some constancy at particular seasons of the year. This seems to be what is meant by 'the circuits of the wind.'

Ch. III.—7. *A time to rend.* This alludes to the ancient practice of rending garments on occasions of extreme grief, or to express great indignation. (See Gen. xxvii. 29; Joel ii. 13.)

Ch. V.—12. *The abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.* They have no banks in the East. Each one takes care of his own money. But it would not be safe from robbers in the house, it is usual therefore to deposit it in some secluded spot. Hence much wealth is lodged in gardens, orchards, and fields, besides what is secreted in and about the dwelling. The owner is always restless, and on the watch night and day, and his anxiety frequently betrays the spot of his wealth to some arch observer.

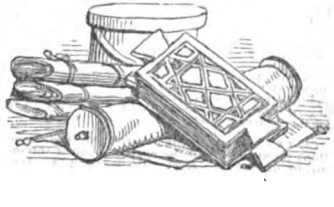
Ch. VII.—26. *The woman, whose heart is snares and nets.* The following method of ensnaring travellers, sometimes practised by robbers in Eastern countries, affords a lively comment on these words of Solomon. They send out a handsome woman upon the road, with her hair dishevelled, and in tears, who seems to be in the deepest distress, complaining of some misfortune which she pretends has befallen her. She easily draws the traveller into conversations with her, and engages him to assist her; but he has no sooner taken her up on horseback behind him, than she throws a snare about his neck, and strangles him; or, at least stuns him, till the robbers, who are lying in wait, come running to her aid, and complete what she has begun.

Ch. IX.—8. *Let thy garments be always white.* This exhortation must be well understood in those Eastern countries, as in India, where the beauty of garments consists not in their shape, but in their being clean and white. So Ward.

Ch. X.—7. *Servants upon horses.* In the East, to ride on a horse is deemed an honourable circumstance, and ideas of stateliness are always attached to it. The Turks at this day, when they ride on horseback, proceed in a very stately manner. It is contrary to their dignity to advance beyond a foot-pace, and they are attended by a number of servants. 16. *Eat in the morning.* Russell says, 'the Easterns, as soon as they get up in the morning, breakfast on fried eggs, cheese, honey, &c.;' but the ancient custom may now have become changed in Western Asia, perhaps through the conquests of the Romans and Nomades; as Roberts remarks, it is considered most gross, most disgraceful, and ruinous, in India, to eat early in the morning

Ch. XI.—1. *Cast thy bread upon the waters, &c.* Dr. A. Clarke and Roberts both agree that the allusion here is to the sowing of rice. And the latter observes, 'rice fields are so made as to receive and retain the rains of the wet monsoon or to be watered from the tanks of the artificial lakes. The rice prospers the most when the ground, at the time of sowing, is in the state of mud, or covered with a little water.' 4. *He that observeth the wind shall not sow.* The seasons in the East are exceedingly regular, yet admit variation. The descent of the first and second rain occasionally varies a whole month.

Ch. XII.—6. *Cord be loosed—bowl be broken.* The Scottish Mission observed, in a street of Smyrna, a fountain erected by a benevolent individual for public use. The water gushes plentifully into a trough; and, for the greater convenience of passengers, there is a large spoonlike cup attached to the well by a chain. No one thinks of removing this. The "bowl is not broken, nor its cord loosed at the fountain." This seems most likely to be the allusion. 11. *As goads,* used in driving oxen. *As nails.* The nails or pins of the ancients were firmly fixed in the walls in building. (See note Ezra ix. A.) 12. *Of making many books.* In the early ages all books were in manuscript, and instead of our condensed volumes, were on rolls of cloth, or parchment, and all copies were taken in the same way, so that book-making and book-reading were both laborious exercises.



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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO SOLOMON'S SONG.

Ch. I.—9. *To a company of horses.* This comparison will not be deemed coarse or vulgar, when it is considered what beautiful and delicate creatures the Eastern horses are, and how highly they are valued. It is very remarkable that a Greek poet, Theocritus, has made use of a similar comparison to a Thessalian steed, to express the beauty of Helen. 10. *Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, &c.* D'Arvieux remarks, that the Arabian ladies wear gold chains about their necks, and have gold coins hanging down on their foreheads and cheeks. Olearius supposes the headdress of the bride here referred to, to be the same with that which is now frequently used in the East. He says, that all the head-dress of the Persian ladies consists in two or three rows of pearls, which are not there worn about the neck, but round the head, beginning at the forehead, and descending down the cheeks, and under the chin, so that their faces seem to be set in pearls. 12. *My spikenard.* Spikenard, or nard, is a plant growing in the East, whose root is very small and slender; it puts forth a long small stalk, and has several ears or spikes even with the ground, whence it has the name of spike-nard.



Spikenard.—*From Calmet.*

15. *Thou hast doves' eyes.* To understand the force of this expression we must not refer it to our common doves or pigeons, but to the doves of Syria, which have large and beautiful eyes. Those who have seen the large Eastern bird, the carrier pigeon, will require no further commentary on this verse.

Ch. II.—1. *The rose.* In the East this flower is extremely fragrant, and has always been much admired. In no country of the world does the rose grow in such perfection as in Persia; in no country is it so cultivated and prized by the natives. The gardens and courts are crowded with its plants, their rooms ornamented with vases, filled with its gathered branches, and every bath strewn with the full blown flowers, plucked from the ever replenished stems. Even the humblest individual, who pays a piece of copper money for a few whiffs of a kelioun, feels a double enjoyment when he finds it stuck with a bud from his dear native tree.—Sir R. K. Porter. *Lily of the valleys.* Not the beautiful flowers known among us by the name of the 'lily of the valley,' but probably a Syrian plant of the lily kind, wont to grow in low lands. 14. *In the clefts, &c.* Solomon having in the language of affection called her his dove, nothing was more natural, in an Oriental imagination, than the immediate comparing of the then residence of the Jewish queen to the rocky clefts in which their doves were wont to build. It appears that doves in those countries usually take up their abode in the hollow places of rocks and cliefs. The word which we translate "stairs," occurs but once more, namely, in Ezek. xxxviii. 20, and there is translated "steep places." It might be better perhaps here to translate the word 'steep places or lofty cliffs.' 15. *Foxes, that spoil the vines.* As foxes in England do not destroy vines, this passage has sometimes been objected to; but we learn from Dr. Shaw, that 'jackalls of the lesser kind eat root and fruits, and frequent the gardens every night.'

Ch. III.—6. *Like pillars of smoke.* It is customary at Eastern marriages for virgins to lead the procession with silver gilt pots of perfumes. In the present instance, so liberally were these rich perfumes burnt, that at a distance, a pillar or pillars of smoke arose from them, and the perfume was so rich, as to exceed in value and fragrance all the powders of the merchant.

Ch. IV.—1. *Thy hair is as a flock of goats.* 'Thy hair is as fine as that of a flock of goats.' This seems to be a comparison with the hair of the Eastern goats, which is of a delicate silky softness, and bears a great resemblance to the fine curls of a woman's hair. 8. *From the top of Amana.* Amana was a part of mount Libanus: Shenir and Hermon were parts of the same ridge of mountains. 11. *Like the smell of Lebanon.* The trees which grew upon mount Lebanon produced many aromatic gums and spices, and frankincense among others.

Ch. V.—3. *I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them.* As the Orientals only wear sandals, they are obliged to wash their feet before lying down. Hence a Hindoo, if called from his bed, often makes his excuse that he shall daub his feet. 4. *Put in his hand by the hole of the door.* It was the ancient custom to secure the door of a house by the cross bar or bolt, which, by night, was fastened by a little button or pin. In the upper part of the door was left a round hole, through which any person from without might thrust in his arm, and remove the bar, unless this additional security was superadded.—*Le Clerc.* 15. *His countenance is as Lebanon.* Of the two celebrated mountains of Judea, Lebanon and Carmel, the former was celebrated for its height, ruggedness, and the abundance of its vast and towering cedars; the latter, for its richness and fertility, abounding with vineyards, olive grounds, and corn fields. Hence the former is here employed to express masculine dignity, as the latter is (ch. vii. 5) to convey an idea of female beauty.

Ch. VII.—1. *Thy feet with shoes.* Rather, perhaps, 'they feet within thy sandals.' The Hebrew women were remarkably nice in adorning their sandals, and in having them fit so neatly as to display the fine shape of the foot. 7. *Thy stature is like to a palm tree.* The palm tree is remarkable for its slenderness and height. At present there are but few palms to be seen in Judea; but formerly, it is probable, they were very abundant, as they are stamped on the Roman coins which belonged to this country, and are much spoken of by Roman writers, when they treat of this country.

Ch. VIII.—2. *Spiced wine.* We know that spiced wine was a great delicacy in the East. It was not peculiar to the Jews. The Romans lined their vessels with odoriferous gums, to give the wine a warm bitter flavour; and it is said, that the Poles and Spaniards have a similar method of giving their wines a favourite relish. The word rendered "juice" by our translators, is properly rendered new wine or must; and the "juice of the pomegranate" is either new wine made acid with the juice of pomegranates, which the Turks about Aleppo still mix with their dishes for this purpose, or rather wine made of the juice of the pomegranate, of which Chardin says, they still make considerable quantities in the East.—Harmer. 12. *My vineyard, which is mine, &c.* Though it was usual among the Jews for the husband to endow his spouse with a sum of money at their marriage, yet the bride also brought a portion to her husband.

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BIBLE ANTIQUITIES.

HEBREW MUSIC.

Music was originally used as a joyous expression of the heart, and in tabernacle and temple worship it accompanied praises and thanksgivings. David's passion was music, and he consecrated it to God, using it to assist him in awakening his feelings of devotion; "Awake up, my glory; awake psaltery and harp: I myself will awake right early." From the same motives he regulated the tabernacle worship, and even made himself conspicuous in leading it. Eusebius, in his preface to the Psalms, asserts, 'that as the head of the prophets, he was generally in the tabernacle with his lyre, amid the other prophets and singers, and that each of them prophesied and sung his canticles as inspiration came on.' Latrobe observes, 'He seems to have composed as well the music as the poetry of the tabernacle. He multiplied the number of performers, determined the distinctive situation of each, introduced many new instruments, and, with the most sedulous care, acted as the director of the whole band.' He assigned to the Levites their proper duties. Some were appointed to sound with cymbals of brass; others with psalteries of Alamoth; others "with harps on the Sheminith, to excel," while Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was for song, and others "did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God." After these preparatory arrangements, David "appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the Lord, and to record and to thank and praise the Lord God of Israel." "Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; Asaph made a sound with cymbals; Benaiah also and Jehaziel the priest, with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God."—1 Chron. xvi. 4—6. And having enforced the daily services, morning and evening, he expressly enjoined, that, with the officiating priests, 'Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, should give thanks to the Lord because his mercy endureth for ever—with trumpets and cymbals should make a sound with musical instruments of God.'—1 Chron. xvi. 41, 42. Their service was literally continuous; as we are told that the singers were employed in that work day and night.—1 Chron. ix. 33. For this purpose they were divided into twenty-four courses, and were so greatly multiplied in number, that, towards the close of David's life, he enumerates "four thousand to praise the Lord with the instruments, which he made to praise therewith."—1 Chron. xxiii 5. And "the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the Lord, even all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight."—1 Chron. xxv. 7. This astonishing number of instrumental and vocal performers was designed for effect upon days of solemnity in the full congregation, as well as for relief in the daily service. The innovations introduced by the Psalmist in the tabernacle music seem to have had reference chiefly to the number of performers and variety of instruments. Hence his alterations seem to have had relation to quantity rather than quality; to noise rather than refinement. Almost all the instruments mentioned, as far as we know, determine their character, are instruments of effect. Such a profusion of timbrels, cornets, cymbals, and trumpets, must have had a surmounting influence over the voice and lyre. Little is related of the music of the temple during the reign of David's successor. We read, however, that he not only brought it as far as regards numerical force to a higher degree of perfection than it had ever attained, but upon the completion of the temple, he introduced into it, among other treasures, "all the instruments" which David his father had dedicated, added harps of peculiar richness, and installed the musicians in their respective offices. —2 Chron. v. &c. At the dedication of the temple, the effect of its instrumental music was grand in the extreme, as we have it described in 2 Chron. v. 12.

The Babylonish captivity put an end, for seventy years, to Jewish worship and music; and on the return to Jerusalem, instead of the two hundred and eighty-eight vocal, and four thousand instrumental performers that composed the choir in David's time, the number of singers and their assistants was only "two hundred singing men and singing women." These were first scattered among the cities of the country, but in the seventh month after their arrival, "the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem," to offer burnt-offerings; at which solemnity the assistance of musicians was especially required. At the foundation of the temple, and the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem, the priests and Levites, with their musical instruments, were also employed by Nehemiah. With the breaking up of the Jewish state terminated their temple and its worship. —Latrobe's 'Music of the Church.

HEBREW POETRY.

The most sublime of all subjects is religion, and the most sublime mode of expression is poetry. The subjects in sacred writ are both momentous and grand. Even an ordinary mind may soar in treating on them, but when men were inspired by the Spirit of the Almighty, they left all other productions far behind in dignity and glory, as they wrote or uttered their divine poetry. Fabled deities, loves and wars, sung by the most distinguished bards of every age, sink into insignificance before the splendour of divine glory, and the potency of Jehovah. Yet how sad is the fact, that the minds of the best educated youth are trained up in the corrupted and corrupting principles of mythology, instead of being made conversant with the beauties of a book which, while it leads the mind to God, is calculated to excite the ebullitions of genius, and ennoble the soul, so as to fit it the better for this world as well as the next. And in our belief, no higher service can be rendered either to literature or religion than to make the literary claims of the Bible understood, at the same time that its religious worth is duly and impressively set forth. The union of literature and religion is found in the Bible, and has therefore a divine origin and sanction. Those who love the Bible as a source of religious truth, should manifest their regard both towards the book and towards Him whose name and impress it bears, by carefully preserving that union, and causing its nature, requirements, and applications to be generally understood. No better instrument can be chosen for this purpose than its rich, varied, and lofty poetry.

The learned differ very much about the nature of Hebrew poetry. Bishop Lowth distinguished it by four characteristics: 1. The acrostical or alphabetical commencement of lines or stanzas: 2. The admission of foreign words and certain particles, which seldom occur in prose composition, and which thus form a distinct poetical dialect: 3. Its sententious, figurative, and sublime expressions; and 4. Parallelism. But Bishop Jebb has disproved the existence of the first three of these characteristics. Harwell Horne observes, 'that the grand, and indeed the sole, characteristic of the Hebrew poetry is what Bishop Lowth entitles Parallelism, that is, a certain equality, resemblance or relationship, between the member of each period; so that in two lines or members of the same period, things shall answer to things, and words to words, as if fitted to each other by a kind of rule or measure. It is greatly owing to this form of composition that our admirable authorised version, though executed in prose, retains much of the poetical cast; for that version being strictly word for word after the original, the form and order of the original sentences are preserved; which by this artificial structure—this regular alternation and correspondence of parts—makes the ear sensible of a departure from the common style and tone of prose. To enter into all the niceties of Hebrew poetry would require far more space than these pages can allow. A few specimens of the leading feature, the Parallelism, must suffice. Many Parallelisms are strikingly antithetical: as,

> "The memory of the just is blessed;
> But the name of the wicked shall rot."
>
> "He turneth rivers into a wilderness,
> And water-springs into dry ground."

In the synonymous Parallel, the two members express the same thought in different words: as,

> "What is man that thou art mindful of him?
> And the son of man that thou visitest him?"

But we cannot here enlarge. These are leading features and will serve as a clew to some of the poetical beauties, especially of the Proverbs and the Psalms. The sacred writers have left us different kinds of poetical composition. Bishop Lowth reduces them to the following classes:—1. Prophetic Poetry. The predictions of the Hebrew Prophets are pre-eminently characterised by the sententious Parallelism, and it is more ornamented, more splendid, and more florid than any other, abounding much more in imagery. 2. Elegiac Poetry. The forty-second Psalm is in the highest degree tender and plaintive, and is one of the most beautiful specimens of the Hebrew Elegy. 3. Didactic Poetry. Such is the Ecclesiastes. 4. Lyric Poetry. Intended to be accompanied by music, as the Ode of Moses. (Exod. xv.) 5. The idyl or short Pastoral Poems. The historical Psalms afford abundant instances. 6. Dramatic Poetry; understanding the term in a more extended sense than that in which it is usually received. And lastly, the Acrostic or Alphabetical Poems, as Ps. cxix. These were intended to help the memory, and chiefly employed in subjects of common use, as those of morality, and devotion.

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The Book of the Prophet ISAIAH.

Isaiah prophesied about sixty years. His prophecies were against the enemies of the Jews, as well as themselves. Much of this book also relates to the coming and kingdom of the Messiah.

CHAP. I.

THE vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

2 Hear, [a] O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, [b] I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.

3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: *but* Israel [c] doth not know, my people doth not consider.

4 Ah sinful nation, a people [d]laden with iniquity, [e] a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are [†] gone away backward.

5 ¶ Why [f] should ye be stricken any more? ye will [†] revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head *there is* no soundness in it; *but* wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with [‖] ointment.

7 Your [g] country *is* desolate, your cities *are* burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and *it is* desolate, as [‡] overthrown by strangers.

8 And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.

9 Except [r] the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, *and* we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers [s] of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.

11 To what purpose *is* the multitude of your [t]sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of [‖] he goats.

12 When ye come to [u] appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?

13 Bring no more [v] vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, [w]the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; *it is* [‡] iniquity, even the solemn meeting.

14 Your [x]new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear *them*.

15 And [y] when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye [§] make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of [‖] blood.

16 ¶ Wash [z] you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; [a] cease to do evil;

17 Learn to do well; [b] seek judgment, [†] relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

18 Come now, and [c] let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, [m] they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

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[a] Nu. 23. 19. Tit. 1. 2.
[b] De. 32. 1. Je. 2. 12.
[c] ch. 5. 1, 2.
[d] Je. 6. 28, 30.
[e] Je. 9. 3, 6.
[f] Ho. 9. 15.
[g] Pr. 29. 24.
[†] *of heaviness.*
[h] Je. 5. 28. Zec. 7. 10.
[i] Mat. 3. 7.
[†] *alienated*, or, *separated*. Ps. 58. 3.
[k] De. 28. 63. Eze. 5. 13.
[l] Je. 5. 3.
[‡] *increase revolt.*
[§] *according to pureness*
[m] Mal. 3. 3.
[n] Zec. 8. 3.
[‖] or, *oil.*
[o] De. 29. 51, 52.
[o] or, *they that return of her.*
[†] *breaking.*
[p] Job 31. 3. Ps. 1. 6.
[‡] *the overthrow of.*
[r] Ro. 9. 29.
[s] Eze. 16. 46.
[§] or, *his work*
[t] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ps. 50. 8, 9.
[‖] *great he goats.*
[u] Mi. 4. 1, &c.
[v] *be seen.*
[w] Ps. 68. 15, 16.
[†] or, *prepared.*
[x] Mat. 15. 9.
[y] ch. 27. 13. Ps. 72. 6.
[z] Joel 1. 14.
[‡] or, *grief.*
[a] Je. 31. 6. 50. 5. Zec. 8. 21, 23
[b] Nu. 28. 11.
[c] Lu. 24. 47.
[d] Job 27. 9. Ps. 134. 2. Pr. 1. 28.
[§] *multiply prayer.*
[e] Zec. 9. 10.
[‖] *bloods.*
[f] Je. 4. 14.
[g] or, *scythes.*
[g] Ro. 12. 9. 1 Pe. 3. 11.
[h] Ps. 72. 3, 7.
[i] Je. 22. 3, 16.
[†] or, *righten.*
[k] Ep. 5. 8.
[l] Mi. 6. 2.
[‡] or, *more than.*
[m] Ps. 51. 7. Re. 7. 14.
[§] or, *abound with the.*

19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: [n] for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

21 ¶ How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.

22 Thy [d] silver is become dross, thy wine mixed with water:

23 Thy princes *are* rebellious, and [d]companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards: they [h] judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.

24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, [k] I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:

25 ¶ And I will turn my hand upon thee, and [§] purely [m] purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin:

26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward [n] thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.

27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and [o] her converts with righteousness.

28 ¶ And the [†] destruction [p] of the transgressors and of the sinners *shall be* together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.

29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ye have desired, and ye shall be confounded for the gardens that ye have chosen.

30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

31 And the strong shall be as tow, and [§] the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench *them*.

CHAP. II.

THE word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 And [q] it shall come to pass in the last days, [r] *that* the mountain of the LORD's house shall be [†] established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; [s] and all nations shall flow unto it.

3 And many people shall go and say, [t] Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: [u] for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and [v] they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into [w]pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, [x] neither shall they learn war any more.

5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us [k] walk in the light of the LORD.

6 ¶ Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob, because they be replenished [‡] from the east, and *are* soothsayers like the Philistines, and they [§] please themselves in the children of strangers.

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7 Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither *is there any* end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither *is there any* end of their chariots:

8 Their [a] land also is full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made:

9 And the mean man boweth down, and the great man humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.

10 ¶ Enter [d] into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty.

11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted [f] in that day.

12 For the day of the LORD of hosts *shall be* upon every *one that is* proud and lofty, and upon every *one that is* lifted up; and he shall be brought low:

13 And upon all [g] the cedars of Lebanon, *that are* high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan,

14 And upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills *that are* lifted up,

15 And upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall,

16 And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all ‖ pleasant pictures.

17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.

18 And the idols [i] he shall utterly abolish.

19 And they shall go into the [k] holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the §earth, for [l] fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth [m] to shake terribly the earth.

20 In that day a man shall cast † his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made §*each one* for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;

21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

22 Cease [o] ye from man, whose [p] breath *is* in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?

CHAP. III.

FOR, behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah [r] the stay and the staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water,

2 The [s] mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient,

3 The captain of fifty, and the ‡honourable man, and the counsellor, and the cunning artificer, and the ‖ eloquent orator.

4 And I will give [u] children *to be* their princes, and babes shall rule over them.

5 And the people shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every one by his neighbour: the child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the †base against the honourable.

6 When a man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his father, *saying*, Thou hast clothing, be thou our ruler, and *let* this ruin *be* under thy hand:

7 In that day shall he ‖ swear, saying, I will not be an [*] healer; for in my house *is* neither bread nor clothing: make me not a ruler of the people.

8 For [b] Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah

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[a] Je. 2. 28.
[b] Ge. 13. 13.
[c] Ec. 8. 12.
[d] Re. 6. 15.
[e] Ps. 11. 6.
[*] *done to him*
[f] Je. 30. 7, 8 Eze. 38. 14, 16.
† or, *call thee blessed.*
‡ *swallow up.*
[g] Eze. 31. 3.
§ or, *burnt.*
[h] ch. 5. 7. Mal. 3. 1, 3.
‖ *pictures of desire.*
[*] *deceiving with their eyes.*
† or, *tripping nicely.*
‡ or, *shall utterly pass away.*
[i] De. 28. 27.
[k] Ps. 27. 5. Is. 2. 19. Re. 6. 16. 9. 6.
§ *the dust.*
‖ *make naked*
[l] 2 Th. 1. 9.
[m] Hag. 2. 6, 21. He. 12. 26.
[*] or, *net-works.*
† *the idols of his silver, &c.*
[n] Ju. 8. 21.
‡ or, *sweet balls.*
§ or, *for him.*
‖ or, *spangled ornaments.*
[*] *houses of the soul.*
[o] Ps. 146. 3. Je. 17. 5.
[p] Job 27. 3.
[r] Le. 26. 26.
[s] 2 Ki. 24. 14.
† *might.*
‡ *a man eminent in countenance.*
[t] Lu. 1. 4.
§ *cleansed,* or, *emptied*
‖ or, *skilful of speech.*
[u] Ec. 10. 16.
[v] 2 Th. 3. 12.
[*] *thy name be called upon us.*
† or, *take thou away.*
[x] Lu. 1. 25.
[y] Je. 23. 5.
‡ *beauty and glory.*
§ *the escaping of Israel.*
‖ *lift up* the hand, Ge. 14. 22.
[z] *binder up.*
[a] ch. 60. 21.
[b] Phi. 4. 3. Re. 3. 5.
† or, *to life.*
[b] Mi. 3. 12.
[c] Mal. 3. 2, 3.

is fallen: because their tongue and their doings *are* against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his glory.

9 ¶ The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as [b] Sodom, they hide *it* not. Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.

10 Say ye to the righteous, [c] that *it shall be* well *with him:* for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.

11 Woe unto the wicked! [*] *it shall be* ill *with him:* for the reward of his hands shall be [*] given him.

12 ¶ *As for* my people, children *are* their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which †lead thee cause *thee* to err, and †destroy the way of thy paths.

13 The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.

14 The LORD will enter into judgment with the ancients of his people, and the princes thereof: for ye have §eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor *is* in your houses.

15 What mean ye *that* ye beat my people to pieces, and grind the faces of the poor? saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

16 ¶ Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and [d] wanton eyes, walking and ‡mincing *as* they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

17 Therefore the Lord will smite with [e] a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will ‖ discover their secret parts.

18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of *their* tinkling ornaments *about their feet*, and *their* [*] cauls, and *their* [n] round tires like the moon,

19 The †chains, and the bracelets, and the ‖ mufflers,

20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the [*] tablets, and the earrings,

21 The rings, and nose jewels,

22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins,

23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails.

24 And it shall come to pass, *that* instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth; *and* burning instead of beauty.

25 Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy † mighty in the war.

26 And [f] her gates shall lament and mourn; and she *being* § desolate shall sit upon the ground.

CHAP. IV.

AND in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will [v] eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let [*] us be called by thy name, † to take away [x] our reproach.

2 In that day shall [y] the branch of the LORD be ‡beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth *shall be* excellent and comely for §them that are escaped of Israel.

3 And it shall come to pass, *that he that is* left in Zion, and *he that* remaineth in Jerusalem, [z] shall be called holy, *even* every one that is [a] written † among the living in Jerusalem:

4 When [c] the Lord shall have washed

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away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, [c] a cloud and smoke by day, and [d] the shining of a flaming fire by night: for † upon all the glory *shall be* a ‡ defence.

6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and [d] for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

CHAP. V.

NOW will I sing to my wellbeloved a song of my beloved touching [e] his vineyard. My wellbeloved hath a vineyard in [f] a very fruitful hill:

2 And he [g] fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also † made a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.

3 And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, [h] judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.

4 What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?

5 And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; *and* break down the wall thereof, and it shall be [i] trodden down:

6 And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts *is* the house of Israel, and the men of Judah † his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but behold † oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

8 ¶ Woe unto them that join [k] house to house, *that* lay field to field, till *there be* no place, that [l] they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth!

9 ‖ In mine ears *said* the LORD of hosts, [m] Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, *even* great and fair, without inhabitant.

10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one [n] bath, and the seed of an homer shall yield an ephah.

11 ¶ Woe [o] unto them that rise up early in the morning, *that* they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, *till* wine † inflame them!

12 And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.

13 ¶ Therefore [p] my people are gone into captivity, [r] because *they have* no knowledge: and their [s] honourable men *are* famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.

14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

15 And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled:

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[a] *the God the holy, or, the holy God.*
[c] Ex. 13. 21.
[d] Zec. 2. 5.
† or, *above.*
‡ *covering.*
[e] Je. 17. 15. Am. 5. 18. 2 Pe. 3. 3, 4.
[d] ch. 25. 4.
[f] *say concerning evil,* It is good, *&c.*
[g] Ps. 80. 8. Mat. 21. 33.
‖ *the horn of the son of oil.*
[h] Pr. 3. 7. Ro. 1. 22. 12. 16.
[i] or, *made a wall about it.*
† *before their face.*
‡ *heaved.*
[k] *tongue of fire.*
[l] Ro. 3. 4.
[m] Job 18. 16. Ho. 9. 16. Am. 2. 9.
‖ or, *as dung.*
[n] *for a treading.*
[o] Le. 26. 14.
[p] De. 28. 49. Je. 5. 15.
† *plant of his pleasures.*
‡ *a scab.*
[k] Mi. 2. 2.
[l] *ye.*
‖ or, *This is in mine ears, saith.*
[m] *If not, &c.*
[n] Eze. 45. 11.
[o] Pr. 23. 29, 30. Ec. 10. 16.
† or, *pursue.*
‡ or, *distress.*
§ or, *when it is light, it shall be dark in the destructions thereof.*
[p] 2 Ki. 15. 7.
[r] 1 Ki. 22. 10. Joe. 12. 41. Ro. 4. 2.
[s] Ho. 4. 6.
‖ or, *the skirts thereof.*
[r] Lu. 19. 44.
[s] *glory are men of famine.*
† *thus cried to this.*
[t] Ro. 6. 8.
‡ *his glory is the fulness of the whole earth.*
§ *thresholds.* Mat. 12. 34 ..37. Ja. 3. 1, 2.

16 But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and [s] God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

17 Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste place of the fat ones shall strangers eat.

18 ¶ Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope:

19 That [t] say, Let him make speed, *and* hasten his work, that we may see *it*: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know *it*.

20 ¶ Woe unto them that § call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

21 Woe unto *them that are* † wise in their own eyes, and prudent † in their own sight!

22 Woe unto *them that are* mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink:

23 Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!

24 Therefore as the § fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, [a] *so* their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.

25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcases *were* torn in the midst of the streets. † For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

26 ¶ And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them † from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly:

27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:

28 Whose arrows *are* sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind:

29 Their roaring *shall be* like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry *it* away safe, and none shall deliver *it*.

30 And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if *one* look unto the land, behold darkness *and* ‡ sorrow, § and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.

CHAP VI.

IN the year that [a] king Uzziah died I saw also [b] the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

3 And † one cried unto another, and said, [c] Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: ‡ the whole earth *is* full of his glory.

4 And the posts of the § door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

5 ¶ Then said I, Woe *is* me! [d] for I am

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*undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, ‡having a live coal in his hand, *which* he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 And he §laid *it* upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for ‖us? Then said I, *Here *am* I; send me.

9 ¶ And he said, Go, and tell this people, *Hear ye †indeed, but understand not; and see ye: indeed, but perceive not.

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be §utterly desolate,

12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and *there be* a great forsaking in the midst of the land.

13 ¶ But yet in it *shall be* a tenth, ‖and *it* shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose †substance *is* in them, when they cast *their leaves: so* [c] the holy seed *shall be* the substance thereof.

CHAP. VII.

AND it came to pass in the days of [a]Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, *that* Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.

2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria §is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.

3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and ‖Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the *highway of the fuller's field;

4 And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, †neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of Remaliah.

5 Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying,

6 Let us go up against Judah, and §vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, *even* the son of Tabeal:

7 Thus saith the Lord GOD, ‡It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.

8 For the head of Syria *is* Damascus, and the head of Damascus *is* Rezin: and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, †that it be not a people.

9 And the head of Ephraim *is* Samaria, and the head of Samaria *is* Remaliah's son. ‡If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.

10 ¶ § Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying,

11 Ask [m]thee a sign of the LORD thy

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* *cut off.*
† *or, make thy petition deep.*
‡ *and in his hand a live coal.*
§ *caused it to touch.*
a Mat. 1. 23. Lu. 1. 31, 34.
‖ *or, thou, O Virgin, shalt.*
b Ge. 1. 26.
c *Behold me.*
d Mat. 13. 14. Ro. 11. 8.
† *in hearing, &c. or, without ceasing, &c.*
‡ *in seeing.*
e 2 Ch. 28. 19.
f 1 Ki. 12. 16.
§ *desolate with desolation.*
‖ *or, when it is returned, and hath been browsed.*
* *or, commendable trees.*
† *or, stock, or, stem.*
g Esr. 9. 2. Mal. 2. 15. Ro. 11. 5.
a 2 Ki. 16. 5.
‡ *midst of the land.*
§ *resteth on.*
‖ *i.e. the remnant shall return.* ch. 10. 21.
* *or, causeway.*
† *let not thy heart be tender.*
f Hab. 2. 2.
‡ *in making speed to the spoil he hasteneth the prey, or, make speed, &c.*
§ *or, waken.*
h 2 Ki. 16. 10.
‖ *approached unto.*
i Pr. 21. 30.
* *or, he that is before the king of Assyria shall take away the riches, &c.*
† *from a people.*
‡ *or, Do ye not believe? it is because ye are not stable.*
¶ *And the LORD added to speak.*
m Mat. 12. 38.

God; †ask it either in the depth, or in the height above.

12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.

13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; *Is it* a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also?

14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; *Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and §shall call his name Immanuel.

15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

16 For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of [d] both her kings.

17 ¶ The *LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; *even* the king of Assyria.

18 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall hiss for the fly that *is* in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that *is* in the land of Assyria.

19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all *bushes.

20 In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, *namely*, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria, the head, and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* a man shall nourish a young cow, and two sheep;

22 And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk *that* they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall every one eat that is left in the ‡land.

23 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* every place shall be, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it shall *even* be for briers and thorns.

24 With arrows and with bows shall *men* come thither; because all the land shall become briers and thorns.

25 And *on* all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.

CHAP. VIII.

MOREOVER the LORD said unto me, Take thee a great roll, and *write in it with a man's pen concerning ‡Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

2 And I took unto me faithful witnesses to record, [a]Uriah the priest, and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah.

3 And I ‖went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son. Then said the LORD to me, Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

4 For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and my mother, *the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be taken away before the king of Assyria.

5 ¶ The LORD spake also unto me again, saying,

6 Forasmuch as this people refuseth the waters of Shiloah that go softly, and rejoice in Rezin and Remaliah's son;

7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bring-

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eth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, *even* the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks:

8 And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, [b] he shall reach *even* to the neck; and the [†] stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.

9 ¶ Associate [c] yourselves, O ye people, [‖] and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10 Take [A] counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: [i] for God *is* with us.

11 ¶ For the LORD spake thus to me [e] with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

12 Say ye not, A confederacy, to all *them* to whom this people shall say, A confederacy; [k] neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.

13 Sanctify [l] the LORD of hosts himself; and [m] *let* him *be* your fear, and *let* him *be* your dread.

14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for [n] a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

15 And many among them shall [o] stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.

16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.

17 And I will wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him.

18 Behold, [q] I and the children whom the LORD hath given me [r] *are* for signs and for wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion.

19 ¶ And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead?

20 To [u] the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because [y] *there is* no [†] light in them.

21 And they shall pass through it, hardly bestead and hungry: and it shall come to pass, that when they shall be hungry, they shall fret themselves, and [a] curse their king and their God, and look upward.

22 And they shall look unto the earth; and behold trouble and darkness, dimness of anguish; and *they shall be* driven to darkness.

CHAP. IX.

NEVERTHELESS the dimness *shall* not *be* such as *was* in her vexation, when at the [b] first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and [d] afterward did more grievously afflict *her by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee [e] of the nations.

2 The [f] people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

3 Thou hast multiplied the nation, *and* [†] not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, *and* as *men* rejoice [A] when they divide the spoil.

4 § For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and [c] the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian.

5 [g] For every battle of the warrior *is* with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; [†] but [i] *this* shall be with burning *and* [§] fuel of fire.

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and [d] the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, [/] The mighty God, The everlasting Father, [§] The Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of *his* government and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

8 ¶ The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

9 And all the people shall know, *even* Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart,

10 The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycomores are cut down, but we will change *them into* cedars.

11 Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against him, and [†] join his enemies together;

12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel [‖] with open mouth. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

13 ¶ For [y] the people turneth not unto him that smiteth them, neither do they seek the LORD of hosts.

14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rush, [r] in one day.

15 The ancient and honourable, he *is* the head; and the prophet that teacheth lies, he *is* the tail.

16 For [§] the leaders of this people cause *them* to err; and *they that are* [‖] led of them *are* [o] destroyed.

17 Therefore the Lord shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows: [x] for every one *is* an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaketh [‡] folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

18 ¶ For wickedness [a] burneth as the fire: it shall devour the briers and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up *like* the lifting up of smoke.

19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be as the [§] fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.

20 And he shall [‖] snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand, [e] and they shall not be satisfied: [y] they shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm:

21 Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh: *and* they together *shall be* against Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

CHAP. X.

WOE unto them that [§] decree unrighteous decrees, and [‡] that write grievousness *which* they have prescribed;

2 To turn aside the needy from judgment

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[a] ch. 10. 5.
[c] or, *When the whole battle of the warrior was, &c.*
[b] ch. 30. 28.
[†] or, *and it was, &c.*
[c] ch. 66. 15, 16.
[‖] *fulness of the breadth of thy land shall be the stretchings out of his wings.*
[§] *mean.*
[d] Mat. 28. 18.
[e] Joel 3. 9, 11.
[‖] or, *yet.*
[f] Tit. 2. 13. He. 1. 8.
[g] Ep. 2. 14.
[A] Job 5. 12.
[i] Ac. 5. 38, 39. Ro. 8. 13.
[e] *in strength of hand.*
[A] 1 Pe 3. 14, 15
[l] Nu. 20. 13.
[m] Ps. 76. 7. Lu. 12. 5.
[n] Ro. 9. 33. 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[†] *mingle.*
[o] Mat. 21. 44. Lu. 20. 18. Ro. 9. 32. 11. 25.
[‡] *with whole mouth.*
[p] Jo. 5. 3. Ho. 7. 10. Re. 16. 9.
[r] He. 2. 13.
[l] Ps. 71. 7. Zec. 3. 8.
[§] or, *they that call them blessed.*
[‖] or, *called blessed.*
[o] *swallowed up.*
[u] Lu. 16. 29.
[y] Mi. 7. 2.
[y] Mi. 3. 6.
[†] *morning.*
[‡] or, *villany.*
[x] Mal. 4. 1.
[a] Re. 16. 11.
[§] *meat.*
[‖] *cut.*
[b] 2 Ki. 15. 29
2 Ch. 16. 4.
[c] Le. 26. 26.
[d] § Ki. 17. 5, 6.
[e] ch. 49. 26. Je. 19. 9.
[e] or, *populous.*
[f] Mat. 4. 16. Ep. 5. 8, 14.
[†] or, *to him.*
[§] Ps. 58. 2. 94. 20. Jno. 9. 22. 19. 6.
[‡] or, *to the writers that write grievousness.*
[A] Ju. 5. 30.
[§] or, *When thou breakest.*

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and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that widows may be their prey, and *that* they may rob the fatherless!

3 And [b] what will ye do in [c] the day of visitation, and in the desolation *which* shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave your glory?

4 Without me they shall bow down under the prisoners, and they shall fall under the slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

5 ¶ § O [d] Assyrian, *f* the rod of mine anger, [e] and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.

6 I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I [g] give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and [†] to tread them down like the mire of the streets.

7 Howbeit [m] he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so; but *it is* in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few.

8 For [n] he saith, *Are* not my princes altogether kings?

9 *Is* not Calno [o] as Carchemish? *is* not Hamath as Arpad? *is* not Samaria [r] as Damascus?

10 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;

11 Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?

12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, *that* when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, [s] I will punish the fruit of the [*] stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

13 For [u] he saith, By the strength of my hand I have done *it*, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants like [†] a valiant *man:*

14 And [y] my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs *that are* left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.

15 Shall the ax boast itself against him that heweth therewith? *or* shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if § the rod should shake *itself* against them that lift it up, *or* as if the staff should lift up *itself, as if it were* no wood.

16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.

17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;

18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, [‡] both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.

19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be § few, that a child may write them.

20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.

21 The remnant shall return, *even* the

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[a] Ro. 9. 27.
[*] in, or, among.
[b] Job 31. 14.
[c] Ho. 9. 7. Lu. 19. 14.
[d] ch. 28. 29.
[†] or, in.
[e] Da. 9. 27. Ro. 9. 28.
[‡] or, *but he shall lift up his staff for thee.*
§ or, *Woe to the Assyrian.*
|| *Ashur.*
[f] Je. 51. 20.
[g] or, *though.*
[h] Ex. X1 9.
[i] Da. 11. 36.
[i] Je. 34. 22.
[†] *to lay them a treading.*
[k] 2 Ki. 19. 25.
[l] Ju. 7. 25.
[m] Ge. 50. 20. Mi. 4. 12.
[‡] *remove.*
[n] 2 Ki. 18. 34, 35, &c. 19. 10, &c.
[o] 2 Ch. 35. 20.
[p] Ps. 105. 15. 1 Jno. 2. 20.
[r] 2 Ki. 16. 9. 1 Sa. 13. 23.
§ *Cry shrill with.*
[t] Je. 50. 18.
|| *visit upon.*
[*] *greatness of the heart.*
[u] ch. 13. 2.
[v] Is. 37. 24. Eze. 28. 4, &c. Da. 4. 30. Am. 3. 9.
[†] or, *many people.*
[y] Job 31. 25.
[‡] or, *mightily.*
[z] ch. 53. 2. Zec. 6. 12. Re. 5. 5.
[a] Ac. 13. 23.
[b] Je. 23. 5.
[c] ch. 61. 1 Mat. 3. 16. Jno. 1. 32, 33. 3. 34.
§ or, *a rod should shake them that.*
|| or, that which is *not wood.*
[*] *scent*, or, *smell.*
[d] Ps. 72. 2, 4. Re. 19. 11.
[†] or, *argue.*
[e] Job 4. 9. Mal. 4. 6. 2 Th. 2. 8. Re. 1. 16. 2. 16. 19. 15.
[‡] *from the soul, and even to the flesh.*
[f] Ep. 6. 14.
§ *number.*
[g] Ese. 34. 25.

remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.

22 For [*] though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, *yet* a remnant [*] of them shall return: [g] the consumption decreed shall overflow [†] with righteousness.

23 For [*] the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of all the land.

24 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, [‡] and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of [g] Egypt.

25 For yet a very little while, [h] and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction.

26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir up [h] a scourge for him according to the slaughter of [i] Midian at the rock of Oreb: and *as* his rod *was* upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.

27 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden shall [‡] be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of [†] the anointing.

28 He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath laid up his carriages:

29 They are gone over [*] the passage: they have taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah is afraid; Gibeah of Saul is fled.

30 § Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard unto Laish, O poor Anathoth.

31 Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee.

32 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall [*] shake his hand *against* the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.

33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and [*] the high ones of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.

34 And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall [‡] by a mighty one.

CHAP. XI.

AND [*] there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of [*] Jesse, and [b] a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

2 And [c] the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

3 And shall make him of [*] quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

4 But [d] with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and [†] reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall [e] smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

5 And *f* righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

6 The [g] wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together:

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and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the † cockatrice' den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the ° earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

10 ¶ And in that day [a] there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and [b] his rest shall be ‡ glorious.

11 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, [c] from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together [d] the dispersed of Judah from the four ‡ corners of the earth.

13 The [m] envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.

14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil § them of the east together: ‖ they [n] shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon [o] shall obey them.

15 And the LORD [p] shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, [q] and make *men* go over † dryshod.

16 And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

CHAP. XII.

AND in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.

2 Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD ° JEHOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation.

3 Therefore with joy shall ye [r] draw water out of the wells of salvation.

4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, [s] call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his [t] name is exalted.

5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth.

6 Cry [u] out and shout, thou ‖ inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

CHAP. XIII.

THE ° burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

3 I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called [d] my mighty ones for mine anger, *even* them that [f] rejoice in my highness.

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° *the likeness of.*
† or, *adder's.*
‡ *glory.*
§ or, *fall down.*
‖ *wonder.*
° *every man at his neighbour.*
† *faces of the flames.*
[a] Mal. 4. 1.
[b] Ps. 104. 35. Pr. 2. 22.
[c] Jno. 7. 35. Ja. 1. 1.
‡ *wings.*
[d] Ese. 32. 7. Joel 2. 31. 3. 15. Mat. 24. 29.
[m] Je. 3. 18. Ese. 37. 16, 17, 22. Ho. 1. 11.
§ *the children of.*
‖ *Edom and Moab* shall be *the laying on of their hand.*
[n] Da. 11. 41.
° *their obedience.*
[o] Zec. 10. 11.
[p] Hag. 2. 6.
[q] Ps. 110. 5. La. 1. 12.
† Re. 16. 12. *in shoes.*
[r] Je. 50. 16. 51. 9.
[s] Da. 5. 23, 31.
[t] Ps. 83. 18.
[u] Jno. 4. 10, 14. 7. 37, 38.
‡ or, *proclaim.*
§ *the overthrowing of.*
[y] Ge. 19. 24, 25. De. 29. 23. Je. 49. 18. 50. 40.
[z] Ps. 34. 3.
[a] ch. 54. 1. Zec. 3. 14.
‖ *inhabitress.*
° *Zion.*
[b] Re. 16. 2.
† *Ochim.*
‡ *daughters of the owl,* or, *ostriches*
[c] ch. XXI. XLVII. Je. L., LI.
§ *Iim.*
‖ or, *palaces.*
[d] Joel 3. 11.
[e] Ps. 102. 13.
[f] Ps. 149. 2, 5, 6
[g] Zec. 1. 17. 2. 13.
[h] ch. 60. 4, 5, 10 Ep. 3. 14, &c.

4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, ° like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle.

5 They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, *even* the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land.

6 ¶ Howl ye; [g] for the day of the LORD *is* at hand; [h] it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

7 Therefore shall all hands § be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:

8 And they shall be afraid: [f] pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall ‖ be amazed ° one at an other; their faces *shall be as* † flames.

9 Behold, [h] the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy [i] the sinners thereof out of it.

10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be [j] darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

11 And I will punish the world for *their* evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

12 I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

13 Therefore [p] I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in [r] the day of his fierce anger.

14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: [s] they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.

15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined *unto them* shall fall by the sword.

16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.

17 Behold, [w] I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and *as for* gold, they shall not delight in it.

18 *Their* bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children.

19 ¶ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as § when God overthrew [y] Sodom and Gomorrah.

20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

21 But ° wild † beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of † doleful creatures; and ‡ owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.

22 And § the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their ‖ desolate houses, and dragons in *their* pleasant palaces: and her time *is* near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

CHAP. XIV.

FOR the LORD ° will have mercy on Jacob, and [c] will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: [h] and the

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strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob.

2 And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, [e] whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors.

3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,

4 ¶ That thou shalt take up this † proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the oppressor ceased! the ‡ golden city ceased!

5 The LORD hath broken [f] the staff of the wicked, *and* the sceptre of the rulers.

6 He who smote the people in wrath with a § continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, *and* none hindereth.

7 The whole earth is at rest, *and* is quiet: they break forth into singing.

8 Yea, [g] the fir trees rejoice at thee, *and* the cedars of Lebanon, *saying*, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.

9 [h] Hell [i] from beneath is moved for thee to meet *thee* at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, *even* all the † chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.

10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?

11 Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, *and* the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, [k] O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, [l] I will ascend into heaven, [m] I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, [n] in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; [o] I will be like the most High.

15 Yet [p] thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying*, *Is* this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

17 *That* made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; *that* § opened not the house of his prisoners?

18 All the kings of the nations, *even* all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house.

19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, *and as* the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, *and* slain thy people: [r] the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

21 Prepare slaughter for his children [s] for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.

22 For I will rise up against them, saith

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[a] Pr. 10. 7. Je. 51. 62.
[b] 1 Ki. 14. 10.
[c] Job 18. 19.
[d] ch. 34. 11. Zep. 2. 14.
[e] *that had taken them captives.*
† or, *taunting speech.*
‡ or, *exactress of gold.*
[f] Ps. 125. 3.
[g] 2 Ch. 30. 6. Job 9. 12. 23. 13. Ps. 33. 11. Da. 4. 31, 35. Ro. 8. 28, 31.
§ *stroke without removing.*
[h] ch. 55. 12. Eze. 31. 16.
[i] 2 Ch. 25. 6.
‖ or, *adder.*
[k] 2 Ki. 18. 8.
• or, *The grave.*
[l] Eze. 32. 21.
† *leaders*, or, *great goats*
‡ or, he shall *not* be.
§ or, *assemblies.*
[m] Zec. 11. 11.
‖ or, *betake themselves unto it.*
• or, *O day star.*
[n] Je. 48. 1, &c.
† or, *cut off.*
[o] Mat. 11. 23.
[p] Da. 8. 10.
[q] Ps. 48. 2.
[r] Le. 21. 5.
[s] ch. 47. 8. 2 Th. 2. 4.
[t] Ac. 12. 22, 23.
[u] Je. 48. 38.
‡ *descending into weeping*, or, *coming down with weeping.*
§ or, *did not let his prisoners loose homewards*
‖ or, *to the borders thereof, even to Zoar, as an heifer.*
• *breaking.*
† *desolations.*
[v] Job 18. 19. Ps. 21. 10. 37. 28. 109. 13.
‡ or, *valley of the Arabians.*
[x] Ex. 20. 5. Mat. 23. 35.

the LORD of hosts, and cut off from Babylon [t] the name, and [u] remnant, [x] and son, and nephew, saith the LORD.

23 I [a] will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith the LORD of hosts.

24 ¶ The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

25 That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulders.

26 This *is* the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this *is* the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations.

27 For the LORD of hosts hath [f] purposed, and who shall disannul *it*? and his hand *is* stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

28 In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.

29 ¶ Rejoice not thou, whole Palestina, [b] because the rod of him that smote thee is broken: for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a ‖ cockatrice, [c] and his fruit *shall be* a fiery flying serpent.

30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

31 Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, *art* dissolved: for there shall come from the north a smoke, and † none *shall be* alone in his § appointed times.

32 What shall *one* then answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD hath founded Zion, and [i] the poor of his people shall ‖ trust in it.

CHAP. XV.

THE [m] burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, *and* † brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, *and* brought to silence;

2 He is gone up to Bajith, and to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over Nebo, and over Medeba: [r] on all their heads *shall be* baldness, *and* every beard cut off.

3 In their streets they shall gird themselves with sackcloth: [s] on the tops of their houses, and in their streets, every one shall howl, ‡ weeping abundantly.

4 And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voice shall be heard *even* unto Jahaz, therefore the armed soldiers of Moab shall cry out; his life shall be grievous unto him.

5 My heart shall cry out for Moab; ‖ his fugitives *shall flee* unto Zoar, an heifer of three years old: for by the mounting up of Luhith with weeping shall they go it up; for in the way of Horonaim they shall raise up a cry of • destruction.

6 For the waters of Nimrim shall be † desolate: for the hay is withered away, the grass faileth, there is no green thing.

7 Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they have laid up, shall they carry away to the ‡ brook of the willows.

8 For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the howling thereof unto Eglaim, and the howling thereof unto Beer-elim.

9 For the waters of Dimon shall be full

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of blood: for I will bring [o] more upon Dimon, lions upon him that escapeth of Moab, and upon the remnant of the land.

CHAP. XVI.

SEND [a] ye the lamb to the ruler of the land [d] from [†] Sela to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion.

2 For it shall be, *that*, as a wandering bird [‡] cast out of the nest, *so* the daughters of Moab shall be at the fords of [f] Arnon.

3 [§] Take counsel, execute judgment; make thy shadow as the night in the midst of the noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him that wandereth.

4 Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou a covert to them from the face of the spoiler: for the [‖] extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the [•] oppressors are consumed out of the land.

5 And in mercy [h] shall the throne be [‡] established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, [i] judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.

6 [¶] We have heard of the pride of Moab; *he is* very proud: *even* of his haughtiness, and his pride, and his wrath: *but* his lies *shall* not *be* so.

7 Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl: for the foundations of Kir-hareseth shall ye [§] mourn; surely *they are* stricken.

8 For the fields of Heshbon languish, *and* the vine of Sibmah: the lords of the heathen have broken down the principal plants thereof, they are come *even* unto Jazer, they wandered *through* the wilderness: her branches are [‡] stretched out, they are gone over the sea.

9 [¶] Therefore [•] I will bewail with the weeping of Jazer the vine of Sibmah: I will water thee with my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for the [‖] shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen.

10 And [r] gladness is taken away, and joy out of the plentiful field; and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither shall there be shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in *their* presses; I have made *their vintage* shouting to cease.

11 Wherefore [t] my bowels shall sound like an harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kir-haresh.

12 [¶] And it shall come to pass, when it is seen that Moab is weary on the high place, that he shall come to his sanctuary to pray; but he shall not prevail.

13 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.

14 But now the LORD hath spoken, saying, Within three years, [u] as the years of an hireling, and the glory of Moab shall be contemned, with all that great multitude; and the remnant *shall be* very small *and* [‖] feeble.

CHAP. XVII.

THE [v] burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from *being a* city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.

2 The cities of Aroer *are* forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and [x] none shall make *them* afraid.

3 The [y] fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: they shall be as the glory of the children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 And in that day it shall come to pass, *that* the glory of Jacob shall be made thin, and [z] the fatness of his flesh shall wax lean.

5 And [a] it shall be as when the harvestman gathereth the corn, and reapeth the ears with his arm; and it shall be as he that gathereth ears in the valley of Rephaim.

6 [¶] Yet [•] gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an olive tree, two *or* three berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four *or* five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof, saith the LORD God of Israel.

7 At that day shall a man [§] look to his Maker, and his eyes shall have respect to the Holy One of Israel.

8 And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect *that* which his fingers have made, either the groves, or the [†] images.

9 [¶] In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch, which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation.

10 Because thou hast forgotten [‡] the God of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange slips:

11 In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish: *but* the harvest *shall be* [‖] a heap [‡] in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.

12 [¶] Woe to the [•] multitude of many people, *which* make a noise [m] like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, *that* make a rushing like the rushing of [†] mighty waters!

13 The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but *God* shall [n] rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and [p] shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind, and like [§] a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

14 And behold at eveningtide trouble; *and* before the morning he *is* not. This *is* the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

CHAP. XVIII.

WOE [s] to the land shadowing with wings, which *is* beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters, *saying*, Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation [•] scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation [†] meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers [‡] have spoiled!

3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.

4 For so the LORD said unto me, I will take my rest, and I will [§] consider in my dwelling place like a clear heat [•] upon herbs, *and* like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.

5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with pruning hooks, and take away *and* cut down the branches.

6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the beasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

7 [¶] In that time [t] shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people

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- [o] *additions.*
- [a] ch. 10. 16.
- [b] Je. 51. 33.
- [c] 2 Ki. 3. 4.
- [d] 2 Ki. 14. 7.
- [†] *a rock*, or, *Petra.*
- [e] ch. 24. 13. Ro. 9. 27. 11. 4..6. 26.
- [‡] or, *a nest forsaken.*
- [f] Nu. 21. 13.
- [§] *Bring.*
- [g] Mi. 7. 7.
- [‖] *wringer.*
- [•] *treaders down.*
- [†] or, *sun images.*
- [h] Lu. 1. 33.
- [‡] or, *prepared.*
- [i] Ps. 72. 2.
- [k] Ps. 68. 19.
- [§] or, *mutter.*
- [‖] or, *removed in the day of inheritance, and there shall be deadly sorrow.*
- [l] Ro. 2. 5, 6, 8, 9
- [•] or, *noise.*
- [m] Je. 6. 23.
- [†] or, *many.*
- [‡] or, *plucked up.*
- [n] Ps. 9. 5.
- [o] Je. 30. 23.
- [p] Ho. 13. 3.
- [§] or, *thistle-down.*
- [‖] or, *alarm is fallen upon, &c.*
- [r] ch. 24. 8.
- [s] Eze. 30. 4, 5, 9
- [t] ch. 15. 5. 63. 15.
- [•] or, *outspread and polished.*
- [†] *of line, and line, and treading under foot*, or, *that meteth out, and treadeth down.*
- [‡] or, *despise.*
- [u] ch. 21. 16.
- [§] or, *regard my set dwelling.*
- [‖] or, *not many.*
- [•] or, *after rain.*
- [v] Je. 49. 23 fulfilled 740 2 Ki. 16. 9. Am. 1. 3. Zec. 9. 1.
- [x] Je. 7. 33.
- [y] ch. 7. 16.
- [z] Ps. 69. 21. Zep. 3. 10. Mal. 1 11.

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* scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.

CHAP. XIX.

THE [c] burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD [d] rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and [e] the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

2 And I will † set [g] the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, *and* kingdom against kingdom.

3 And the spirit of Egypt shall § fail in the midst thereof; and I will ‖ destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall [i] seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.

4 And the Egyptians will I * give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

5 And [k] the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up.

6 And they shall turn the rivers far away; *and* the brooks [m] of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.

7 The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, and † be no *more*.

8 The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.

9 Moreover they that work in [r] fine flax, and they that weave § networks, shall be confounded.

10 And they shall be broken in the ‖ purposes thereof, all that make sluices *and* ponds * for fish.

11 ¶ Surely the princes of [u] Zoan *are* fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I *am* the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?

12 Where *are* they? where *are* they wise *men*? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

13 The princes of Zoan are become fools, [x] the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, *even* ‖ *they that are* the stay of the tribes thereof.

14 The LORD hath mingled [z] a * perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.

15 Neither shall there be *any* work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do.

16 In that day shall Egypt [d] be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.

17 And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

18 ¶ In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt [b] speak § the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of † destruction.

19 In that day [c] shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.

20 And [b] it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and [e] he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them.

21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and [h] shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform *it*.

22 And the LORD shall smite Egypt: he shall smite and heal *it*: and they shall return *even* to the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.

23 ¶ In that day [k] shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.

24 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, *even* a blessing in the midst of the land:

25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed *be* Egypt my people, and Assyria [m] the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

CHAP. XX.

IN the year that ° Tartan came unto Ashdod, (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him,) and fought against Ashdod, and took it;

2 At the same time spake the LORD † by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose [p] the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, [q] walking naked and barefoot.

3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years [t] *for* a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;

4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away the † Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, ‖ even with *their* buttocks uncovered, to the ‡ shame of Egypt.

5 And [v] they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory.

6 And the inhabitant of this § isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

CHAP. XXI.

THE burden of the desert of the sea. As [b] whirlwinds in the south pass through; *so* it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.

2 A † grievous vision is declared unto me; [c] the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. [d] Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease.

3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: [f] pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing *of it*; I was dismayed at the seeing *of it*.

4 My ‖ heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: [g] the night of my pleasure hath he ‖ turned into fear unto me.

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* or, *outspread and polished*, ver. 2.
† or, *Heres*, or, *the sun*.
[a] Ge. 28. 18. Ex. 24. 4. Jos. 22. 10, 26, 27.
[b] Jos. 4. 20.
[c] Je. 46. 13. Eze. xxix. xxx.
[d] Ps. 18. 10. 104. 3.
[e] Lu. 2. 11. Tit. 2. 13.
[f] Ex. 12. 12. Je. 43. 12.
‡ *mingled*.
[g] Ju. 7. 22. 1 Sa. 14. 16, 20. 2 Ch. 20. 23.
[h] Mal. 1. 11.
§ *be emptied*.
‖ *swallow up*.
[i] ch. 47. 12.
[k] ch. 11. 16.
* or, *shut up*.
[l] Je. 51. 36.
[m] Ps. 109. 3. Ho. 2. 23. Ep. 2. 10.
[n] 2 Ki. 19. 24.
[o] 2 Ki. 18. 17.
† *shall not be*.
‡ *by the hand of*.
[p] Zec. 13. 4.
[r] 1 Ki. 10. 28. Pr. 7. 16.
[s] 1 Sa. 19. 24. Mi. 1. 8, 11.
§ or, *white works*.
[t] ch. 8. 18.
‖ *foundations*.
* *of living things*.
[u] Nu. 13. 22.
† *captivity of Egypt*.
[v] 2 Sa. 10. 4.
‡ *nakedness*.
[x] ch. 30. 3, 5, 7. 36. 6. 2 Ki. 18. 21.
[y] 1 Co. 1. 20.
§ or, *country*, Je. 47. 4.
[z] Je. 2. 16.
‖ *corners*, or, *governors*.
[a] 1 Ki. 22. 22.
* *spirit of perverseness*.
[b] Zec. 9. 14.
† *hard*.
[c] ch. 33. 1.
[d] Na. 3. 13.
[e] ch. 13. 17. Je. 49. 34.
[f] ch. 13. 8. 1 Th. 5. 3.
‡ or, *mind wandered*.
[g] De. 28. 67.
[h] Zep. 3. 9.
§ *the lip*.
‖ *put*.

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5 Prepare [a]the table, watch in the watch-tower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, *and* anoint the shield.

6 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.

7 And he saw a chariot *with* a couple of horsemen, a chariot of asses, *and* a chariot of camels; and he hearkened diligently with much heed:

8 And he [b]cried, A lion: My lord, I stand continually upon the [c]watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward [†]whole nights:

9 And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, *with* a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, [d]Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and [e]all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.

10 O my threshing, and the [f]corn of my floor: that which I have heard of the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto you.

11 ¶ The [g]burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night?

12 The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come.

13 ¶ The [h]burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye travelling companies [i]of Dedanim.

14 The inhabitants of the land of Tema [k]brought water to him that was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled.

15 For they fled [l]from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.

16 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Within a year, [m]according to the years of an hireling, and all the glory of [n]Kedar shall fail:

17 And the residue of the number of [o]archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for [p]the LORD God of Israel hath spoken *it*.

CHAP. XXII.

THE burden of the valley of vision. What aileth thee now, that thou art wholly gone up to the housetops?

2 Thou that art full of stirs, a tumultuous city, [q]a joyous city: thy slain *men are* not slain with the sword, nor dead in battle.

3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound [r]by the archers: all that are found in thee are bound together, *which* have fled from far.

4 Therefore said I, Look away from me; [s]I will [†]weep bitterly, labour not to comfort me, because of the spoiling of the daughter of my people.

5 For [t]*it is* a day of trouble, and of treading down, and of perplexity [u]by the Lord GOD of hosts in the valley of vision, breaking down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.

6 And Elam bare the quiver with chariots of men *and* horsemen, and [v]Kir [§]uncovered the shield.

7 And it shall come to pass, *that* [‖]thy choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array [†]at the gate.

8 ¶ And he discovered the covering of Judah, and thou didst look in that day to the armour [x]of the house of the forest.

9 Ye [y]have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered together the waters of the lower pool.

10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

11 Ye made also a ditch between the two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have not looked unto [z]the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.

12 And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts [a]call to weeping, and to mourning, and [b]to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth:

13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: [c]let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.

14 And it was revealed in mine ears by the LORD of hosts, Surely this iniquity [d]shall not be purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, Go, get thee unto this treasurer, *even* unto [e]Shebna, [‖]which *is* over the house, *and say*,

16 What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, [§]*as* he that [¶]heweth him out a sepulchre on high, *and* that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock?

17 Behold, the LORD [†]will carry thee away with [†]a mighty captivity, and will surely cover thee.

18 He will surely violently turn and toss thee *like* a ball into a [§]large country: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory *shall be* the shame of thy lord's house.

19 And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall he pull thee down.

20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my servant [f]Eliakim the son of Hilkiah:

21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.

22 And [g]the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall [h]open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.

23 And I will fasten him *as* [i]a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for [k]a glorious throne to his father's house.

24 And they shall [l]hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the issue, all vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the [m]vessels of flagons.

25 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall; and the burden that *was* upon it shall be cut off: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

CHAP. XXIII.

THE [n]burden of Tyre. Howl, ye ships of Tarshish; for it is laid waste, so that there is no house, no entering in: from the land of Chittim it is revealed to them.

2 Be [o]still, ye inhabitants of the isle; thou whom the merchants of Zidon, that pass over the sea, have replenished.

3 And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river, *is* her revenue; and [p]she is a mart of nations.

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[a] Da. 5. 5.
[b] ch. 57. 25.
[c] or, *cried as a lion.*
[d] Hab. 2. 1.
[e] Joel 1. 13.
[†] or, *every night.*
[f] Esr. 9. 3.
[g] Je. 51. 6. Re. 14. 8. 18. 2.
[h] ch. 46. 1. Je. 50. 2.
[i] 1 Co. 15. 32.
[k] *son.*
[l] 1 Sa. 3. 14.
[m] 1 Ch. 1. 30. Je. 49. 7, 8. Eze. 25. 2. Ob. 1.
[n] 2 Ki 18. 37.
[o] 1 Ki. 4. 6.
[p] Je 49. 28.
[q] or, *O he.*
[r] 2 Sa. 18. 18. Mat. 27. 60.
[s] 1 Ch. 1. 9, 22.
[‖] or, *who covered thee with an excellent covering, and clothed thee gorgeously, shall surely, &c.*
[t] or, *bring ye.*
[†] *the captivity of a man.*
[u] *from the face, or, for fear.*
[§] *and large of spaces.*
[v] ch. 15. 14.
[w] Ps. 120. 5.
[x] 2 Ki. 18. 18.
[‖] *bows.*
[y] Mat. 24. 25.
[z] Mat. 16. 18.
[a] ch. 32. 13.
[b] Re. 3. 7.
[c] Esr. 9. 8.
[d] Lu. 22 29.
[e] *of the bow.*
[f] Mat. 28. 18. Jno. 5. 22. 27.
[g] Je. 9. 1.
[†] *be bitter in weeping.*
[‡] or, *instruments of veels.*
[h] ch. 37. 3.
[i] Le. 1. 5.
[k] ch. 15. 1.
[l] Je. 25. 22. 47. 4. Eze. xxvii. xxviii. Am. 1. 9. Zec. 9. 2, 4.
[§] *made naked.*
[‖] *the choice of thy valleys.*
[m] *silent.*
[†] or, *toward.*
[n] 1 Ki. 7. 2.
[o] 2 Ki. 20. 20.
[p] Eze. 27. 3.

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4 Be thou ashamed, O Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, *even* the strength of the sea, saying, I travail not, nor bring forth children, neither do I nourish up young men, *nor* bring up virgins.

5 As [e] at the report concerning Egypt, *so* shall they be sorely pained at the report of Tyre.

6 Pass ye over to Tarshish; howl, ye inhabitants of the isle.

7 *Is* this your [f] joyous *city*, whose antiquity *is* of ancient days? her own feet shall carry her [†] afar off to sojourn.

8 Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, [g] the crowning *city*, whose merchants *are* princes, whose traffickers *are* the honourable of the earth?

9 The LORD of hosts hath purposed it, to [‡] stain the pride of all glory, *and* to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth.

10 Pass through thy land as a river, O daughter of Tarshish: *there is* no more [§] strength.

11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms: the LORD hath given a commandment [||] against [•] the merchant *city*, to destroy the [†] strong holds thereof.

12 And he said, [i] Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou oppressed virgin, daughter of Zidon: arise, pass over to Chittim; there also shalt thou have no rest.

13 Behold the land of the Chaldeans; this people was not, *till* the Assyrian founded it for [m] them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof; *and* he brought it to ruin.

14 Howl, [n] ye ships of Tarshish: for your strength is laid waste.

15 And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king: after the end of seventy years [o] shall Tyre sing as an harlot.

16 Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.

17 ¶ And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that the LORD will visit Tyre, and she shall turn to her hire, and [p] shall commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the world upon the face of the earth.

18 And her merchandise and her hire [q] shall be holiness to the LORD: it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before the LORD, to eat sufficiently, and for [†] durable clothing.

CHAP. XXIV.

BEHOLD, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and [§] turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

2 And it shall be, as with the people, so with [a] the [†] priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; [•] as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.

3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word.

4 The earth mourneth *and* fadeth away, the world languisheth *and* fadeth away, the [•] haughty people of the earth do languish.

5 The [a] earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed [b] the ordinance, broken [d] the everlasting covenant.

6 Therefore hath [c] the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

7 The [f] new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted do sigh.

8 The mirth [h] of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth.

9 They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.

10 The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that no man may come in.

11 *There is* a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone.

12 In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction.

13 ¶ When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, [k] *there shall be* as the shaking of an olive tree, *and* as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.

14 They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea.

15 Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the [‡] fires, *even* [m] the name of the LORD God of Israel in the isles of the sea.

16 ¶ From the [§] uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, *even* glory to the righteous. But I said, [||] My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! [p] the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

17 Fear, [r] and the pit, and the snare, *are* upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth.

18 And it shall come to pass, *that* he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for [t] the windows from on high are open, and [t] the foundations of the earth do shake.

19 The [v] earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly.

20 The earth shall [y] reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall [‡] punish the host of the high ones *that are* on high, [z] and the kings of the earth upon the earth.

22 And they shall be gathered together, [||] *as* prisoners are gathered in the [•] pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be [‡] visited.

23 Then the [b] moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall [d] reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and [§] before his ancients gloriously.

CHAP. XXV.

O LORD, thou *art* my God; [e] I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful *things*; [f] *thy* counsels of old *are* faithfulness *and* truth.

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• *height of the people.*
a Ge. 3. 17. Nu. 35. 33.
b Jos. 24. 25. Mar. 7. 7., 9. Lu. 1. 6.
c ch. 19. 16.
d Ge. 17. 13, 14. 2 Sa. 23. 5. He. 13. 20.
e Mal. 4. 6.
f ch. 22. 2.
g ch. 16. 8, 9. Joel 1. 10, 12
† *from afar off.*
h Je. 7. 34. 16. 9. 25. 10. Eze. 26. 13. Ho. 2. 11.
i Eze. 28. 2, 12
‡ *pollute.*
§ *girdle.*
|| or, *concerning a merchantman.*
• *Canaan.*
† or, *strengths.*
k ch. 17. 5, 6.
l Re. 18. 22.
m Ps. 72. 9.
‡ or, *valleys.*
n Mal. 1. 11.
§ *wing.* Eze. 27. 25, 30.
|| *Leanness to me*, or, *My secret to me.*
p Je. 5. 11.
• *it shall be unto Tyre as the song of an harlot.*
r 1 Ki. 19. 17. Am. 5. 19.
s Ge. 7. 11.
t Ps. 18. 7.
u Re. 17. 2.
v Je. 4. 23.
x Zec. 14. 20, 21.
y ch. 19. 14.
† *old.*
‡ *visit upon.*
z Ps. 76. 12.
§ *perverteth the face thereof.*
|| *with the gathering of prisoners.*
• or, *dungeon.* Ho. 4. 9.
† or, *prince.*
‡ or, *found wanting.*
b Eze. 32. 7. Joel 2. 31.
c Eze. 7. 12, 13
d He. 12. 22. Re. 19. 4, 6.
§ or, *there shall be glory before his ancients.*
e Ex. 15. 2. Ps. 118. 28.
f Nu. 23. 19.

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2 For thou hast made of a city an heap; *of* a defenced city a ruin: a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.

3 Therefore shall the strong people [a] glorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear thee.

4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, [b] a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm *against* the wall.

5 Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a dry place; *even* the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.

6 ¶ And in this mountain shall [c] the LORD of hosts make unto [d] all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

7 And he will [e] destroy in this mountain the face of the covering [§] cast over all people, and [f] the vail that is spread over all nations.

8 He will [g] swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will [h] wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

9 ¶ And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this *is* our God; [i] we have waited for him, and he will save us: this *is* the LORD; we have waited for him, [k] we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

10 For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be [l] trodden down under him, even as straw is [†] trodden down for the dunghill.

11 And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth *his hands* to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the spoils of their hands.

12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, *and* bring to the ground, *even* to the dust.

CHAP. XXVI.

IN [m] that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; [n] salvation will *God* appoint *for* walls and bulwarks.

2 Open [o] ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the [‡]truth may enter in.

3 Thou wilt keep *him* [p] in perfect peace, *whose* [†] mind *is* stayed *on thee*: because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: [q] for in the LORD JEHOVAH *is* everlasting strength:

5 ¶ For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, *even* to the ground; he bringeth it *even* to the dust.

6 The foot shall tread it down, *even* the feet of the poor, *and* the steps of the needy.

7 The way of the just *is* uprightness: [t] thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.

8 Yea, [s] in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of *our* soul *is* to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.

9 With [u] my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

10 Let [v] favour be shewed to the wicked, *yet* will he not learn righteousness: in the [w] land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

11 LORD, *when* thy hand is lifted up, [x] they will not see: *but* they shall see, and be ashamed for *their* envy [y] at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.

12 ¶ LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works [†] in us.

13 O LORD our God, [z] *other* lords beside thee have had dominion over us: *but* by thee only will we make mention of thy name.

14 *They are* dead, they shall not live; *they are* deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.

15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed *it* far *unto* all the ends of the earth.

16 LORD, [a] in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a [‖] prayer *when* thy chastening *was* upon them.

17 Like as [b] a woman with child, *that* draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, *and* crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD.

18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have [c] the inhabitants of the world fallen.

19 Thy [d] dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. [e] Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as* the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

20 ¶ Come, my people, [f] enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were [g] for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.

21 For, behold, the LORD [h] cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her [i] blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

CHAP. XXVII.

IN that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the [k] piercing serpent, [l] even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay [m] the dragon that *is* in the sea.

2 In that day sing ye unto her, [n] A vineyard of red wine.

3 [o] I the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest *any* hurt it, I will keep it night and day.

4 Fury *is* not in me: who would set the briers *and* thorns against me in battle? I would [§] go through them, I would burn them together.

5 Or [p] let him take hold of my strength, *that* he may [q] make peace with me; *and* he shall make peace with me.

6 He shall cause them that come of Jacob [r] to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit.

7 ¶ Hath he smitten him, [s] as he smote those that smote him? or is he slain according to the slaughter of them that are slain by him?

8 In [t] measure, when [u] it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: [†] he [v] stayeth his

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[a] Ro. 2. 4.
[b] Ps. 143. 10.
[c] Re. 11. 13.
[d] Job 34. 27. Ps. 28. 5.
[e] or, *toward thy people.*
[f] ch. 4. 6.
[†] or, *for us.*
[g] 2 Ch. 12. 8.
[§] Pr. 9. 2. Mat. 22. 4.
[h] Da. 7. 14. Mat. 8. 11.
[i] *swallow up*
[§] *covered.*
[k] 1 Co. 3. 15. Ep. 4. 18.
[l] Ho. 13. 14. 1 Co. 15. 54. Re. 20. 14. 21. 4.
[m] Ho. 5. 15.
[n] Re. 7. 17.
[‖] *secret speech.*
[a] Jno. 16. 21.
[b] Ge. 49. 18. Tit. 2. 13.
[c] Ps. 20. 5.
[d] Ps. 17. 14.
[e] or, *threshed*
[f] Exo. 37. 1, &c. Mat. 27. 52. 53.
[†] or, *threshed in Madmenah.*
[g] Da. 12. 2.
[h] Ex. 12. 22, 23.
[i] Ps. 30. 5. 2 Co. 4. 17.
[k] Mi. 1. 3. Jude 14.
[l] ch. 2. 11.
[‡] *bloods.*
[a] ch. 60. 18.
[b] Ps. 118. 19.
[§] *truths.*
[‖] or, *crossing like a bar.*
[a] Ps. 74. 13, 14.
[b] *peace, peace* ch. 57. 19.
[†] or, *thought*, or, *imagination.*
[c] Exe. 29. 3.
[d] Jer. 2. 21.
[e] Phi. 4. 13.
[‡] *the rock of ages.* De. 32. 4.
[f] Ps. 121. 4, 5.
[§] or, *march against.*
[g] Lu. 13. 34. 19. 42. He. 6. 18.
[h] Job 22. 21.
[i] Ps. 37. 23.
[k] ch. 64. 5.
[l] Ho. 14. 5. 6.
[‖] *according to the stroke of those.*
[m] Ca. 3. 1.
[n] 1 Co. 10. 13.
[o] or, *thou sendest it forth.*
[p] or, *when he removeth it.*
[q] Ps. 78. 38.

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rough wind in the day of the east wind.

9 By this therefore shall the iniquity of Jacob [a] be purged; and this *is* all the fruit to take away his sin; when he maketh all the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in sunder, the groves and [*] images shall not stand up.

10 Yet the defenced city *shall be* desolate, *and* the habitation forsaken, and left like a wilderness: [b] there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and consume the branches thereof.

11 When the boughs thereof are withered, they shall be broken off: the women come, *and* set them on fire: for [c] it *is* a people of no understanding: therefore he that made them will not have mercy on them, and [d] he that formed them will shew them no favour.

12 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

13 And [e] it shall come to pass in that day, [f] *that* the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

CHAP. XXVIII.

WOE to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty *is* a fading flower, which *are* on the head of the fat valleys of them that are [§] overcome with wine!

2 Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, [g] *which* as a tempest of hail *and* a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand.

3 The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be [h] trodden [‖] under feet:

4 And the glorious beauty, which *is* on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower, *and* as the hasty fruit before the summer: which, *when* he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he [*] eateth it up.

5 ¶ In that day shall the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people,

6 And for a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate.

7 ¶ But they also [i] have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; [k] the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble *in* judgment.

8 For all tables are full of vomit *and* filthiness, *so that there is* no place *clean*.

9 ¶ Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand [*] doctrine? *them that are* weaned from the milk, *and* drawn from the breasts.

10 For precept [†] *must be* upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little:

11 For with [‡] stammering [*] lips and another tongue [§] will he speak to this people.

12 To whom he said, This *is* the rest *wherewith* ye may cause the weary to rest; and this *is* the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

13 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

14 ¶ Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye scornful men, that rule this people which *is* in Jerusalem.

15 Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: [*] for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:

16 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation [*] a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he [‖] that believeth shall not make haste.

17 Judgment [†] also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.

18 ¶ And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be [†] trodden down by it.

19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only [‡] *to* understand the report.

20 For the bed is shorter than that *a man* can stretch himself *on it:* and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself *in it*.

21 For the LORD shall rise up as *in* mount [m] Perazim, he shall be wroth as *in* the valley of [n] Gibeon, that he may do his work, [*] his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.

22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts [o] a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth.

23 ¶ Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech.

24 Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his ground?

25 When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in [†] the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the [‡] rie in their [§] place?

26 ‖ For his God doth instruct him to discretion, *and* doth teach him.

27 For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod.

28 Bread *corn* is bruised; because he will not ever be threshing it, nor break *it with* the wheel of his cart, nor bruise it *with* his horsemen.

29 This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, [*] *which* is wonderful in counsel, *and* excellent in working.

CHAP. XXIX.

WOE [‖] to [*] Ariel, to Ariel, [*] the city *where* David dwelt! add ye year to year; let them [†] kill sacrifices.

2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and sorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.

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[a] Ps. 119. 67, 71. Mal. 3. 2, 3. 1 Co. 11. 32. He. 12. 6. 11
[*] or, *sun images*.
[b] ch. 32. 14.
[c] Am. 3. 4.
[d] ch. 1. 3. De. 32. 28. Je. 8. 7.
[e] Ge. 49. 24. Ps. 118. 22. Mat. 21. 42. Ac. 4. 11. Ro. 9. 33. 10. 11. Ep. 2. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 6, 8.
[f] De. 32. 18. Ps. 106. 40. 1 Th. 2. 16. 2 Th. 1. 8, 9.
[g] Ps. 112. 7, 8. Hab. 2. 3, 4. Ja. 5. 7, 8.
[h] 2 Ki. 9. 13. Ro. 2. 2, 5. 9. 28.
[i] ch. 2. 11.
[k] Mat. 24. 31. Re. 11. 15.
[†] *a treading down to it.*
[‡] or, *when he shall make you to understand doctrine.*
[§] *broken.*
[l] ch. 30. 30. Eze. 13. 11.
[m] 2 Sa. 5. 20.
[n] Jos. 10. 10, 12
[*] La. 3. 33.
[o] 2 Ki. 9. 33. La. 1. 15.
[‖] *with feet.*
[p] Da. 9. 27.
[*] *swalloweth*
[†] or, *the wheat in the principal place, and barley in the appointed place.*
[q] Pr. 20. 1. Ho. 4. 11.
[‡] or, *spelt.*
[§] *border.*
[r] ch. 56. 10, 12.
[‖] or, *And he bruiseth it in such sort as his God doth teach him.*
[*] *the hearing*
[†] or, hath been.
[s] Je. 32. 19.
[‡] *stammerings of lips.*
[*] De. 28. 49. Je. 5. 15. 1 Co. 14. 21.
[§] or, *he hath spoken.*
[‖] or, *O Ariel*, that is, *the lion of God.*
[x] Eze. 43. 15, 16.
[*] or, *of the*
[†] *cut off the heads.*

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3 And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

4 And thou shalt be brought down, *and* shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, [d] out of the ground, and thy speech shall [e]whisper out of the dust.

5 Moreover the multitude of thy [f]strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones *shall be* [g] as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be [h] at an instant suddenly.

6 Thou [i] shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire.

7 ¶ And [m] the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.

8 It [o] shall even be as when an hungry *man* dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, *he is* faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

9 ¶ Stay yourselves, and wonder; [t] cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, [t] but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

10 For [r] the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath [s] closed your eyes: the prophets and your [§] rulers, [s] the seers hath he covered.

11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a [||] book that is sealed, which *men* deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: [a] and he saith, I cannot: for it *is* sealed:

12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

13 ¶ Wherefore the Lord said, [c] Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the [f] precept of men:

14 Therefore, behold, I will [‡] proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, *even* a marvellous work and a wonder: [b] for the wisdom of their wise *men* shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent *men* shall be hid.

15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and [i] they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?

16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the [m] work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?

17 *Is* it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?

18 ¶ And [p] in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

19 The [r] meek also shall [o] increase *their* joy in the LORD, and [t] the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

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[a] Mi. 2. 1.
[b] Am. 5. 10, 12.
[c] Pr. 28. 21.
[d] ch. 8. 19.
[e] Joe. 24. 3.
[o] *peep*, or, *chirp*.
[f] ch. 25. 5.
[g] Job 21. 18.
[h] ch. 19. 25. 45. 11. 60. 21. Ep. 2. 10.
[i] 1 Th. 5. 3.
[k] ch. 28. 2. Mar. 13. 8.
[l] ch. 29. 7.
[†] *know understanding*.
[m] ch. 37. 36.
[n] ch. 29. 15.
[o] Ps. 73. 20.
[p] De. 29. 19.
[r] ch. 31. 1.
[s] Nu. 27. 21. Jos. 9. 14. 1 Ki. 22. 7. Je. 21. 2. 42. 2, 20.
[‡] or, *take your pleasure, and riot*.
[t] ch. 51. 21.
[u] ch. 29. 11.
[v] Ac. 28. 26, 27. Ro. 11. 8.
[x] Je. 2. 35.
[y] Ps. 69. 23. 2 Co. 4. 4. 2 Th. 2. 9...12
[§] *heads*.
Je. 23. 8.
[z] 1 Sa. 9. 9.
[a] Ho. 8. 9. 12. 1.
[||] or, *letter*.
[b] Da. 12. 4, 9.
[c] Eze. 33. 31. Mar. 7. 6, 7.
[o] or, *to her*.
[d] ch. 7. 4.
[e] Hab. 2. 2.
[f] Col. 2. 22.
[†] *latter day*.
[‡] *add*.
[g] ch. 1. 4. De. 32. 20.
[h] Je. 49. 7. Ob. 8. 1 Co. 1. 19.
[i] Je. 11. 21. Am. 2. 12. 7. 13. Mi. 2. 6.
[k] 1 Ki. 22. 13. Mi. 2. 11.
[l] Ps. 94. 7.
[m] ch. 45. 9. Ro. 9. 20.
[§] or, *fraud*.
[n] Ps. 62. 3.
[o] Ps. 2. 9. Je. 19. 11.
[||] *bottle of potters*.
[p] ch. 35. 5.
[r] ch. 61. 1. Phi. 2. 1...3. Ja. 1. 21. 3. 13...18.
[o] *add*.
[s] Je. 2. 5.
[t] ver. 7.

20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that [u] watch for iniquity are cut off:

21 That make a man an offender for a word, and [b] lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just [f] for a thing of nought.

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, [c] who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale.

23 But when he seeth his children, [d] the work of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall fear the God of Israel.

24 They also [t] that erred in spirit shall [†] come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine.

CHAP. XXX.

WOE to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, [a] that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, [p] that they may add sin to sin:

2 That [r] walk to go down into Egypt, and [s] have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt!

3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt *your* confusion.

4 For his princes were at [u] Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.

5 They [x] were all ashamed of a people *that* could not profit them, nor be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.

6 The [a] burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence *come* the young and old lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a people *that* shall not profit *them*.

7 For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried [o] concerning this, [d] Their strength *is* to sit still.

8 ¶ Now go, [e] write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the [†] time to come for ever and ever:

9 That [f] this *is* a rebellious people, lying children, children *that* will not hear the law of the LORD:

10 Which [i] say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, [k] speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:

11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

12 Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise this word, and trust in [§] oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon:

13 Therefore this iniquity shall be to you [n] as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.

14 And [o] he shall break it as the breaking of the [||] potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from the hearth, or to take water *withal* out of the pit.

15 For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; [s] In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and

[u] ch. 29. 20.
[x] Je. 2. 36.
[a] Is. 13. 1.
[o] or, *to her*.
[d] ch. 7. 4.
[e] Hab. 2. 2.
[†] *latter day*.
[f] ch. 1. 4. De. 32. 20.
[i] Je. 11. 21. Am. 2. 12. 7. 13. Mi. 2. 6.
[k] 1 Ki. 22. 13. Mi. 2. 11.
[§] or, *fraud*.
[n] Ps. 62. 3.
[o] Ps. 2. 9. Je. 19. 11.
[||] *bottle of potters*.
[s] ch. 61. 1. Phi. 2. 1...3. Ja. 1. 21. 3. 12...18.

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in confidence shall be your strength: [a]and ye would not.

16 But ye said, No; for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall ye flee: and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift.

17 One [b]thousand *shall flee* at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five shall ye flee: till ye be left as [§] a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.

18 ¶ And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD *is* a God of judgment: [c] blessed *are* all they that wait for him.

19 For the people [d] shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.

20 And *though* the Lord give you [e] the bread of adversity, and the water of [•] affliction, yet shall not [m] thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers:

21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This *is* the way, walk ye in it, when ye [n] turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

22 Ye shall defile also the covering of [†] thy graven images of silver, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou shalt [‡] cast them away as a menstruous cloth; [‡] thou shalt say unto it, Get thee hence.

23 Then [o] shall he give the rain of thy seed, that thou shalt sow the ground withal; and bread of the increase of the earth, and it shall be fat and plenteous: in that day shall thy cattle feed in large pastures.

24 The oxen likewise and the young asses that ear the ground shall eat [‖] clean provender, which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with the fan.

25 And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every [†] high hill, rivers *and* streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall.

26 Moreover [p] the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.

27 ¶ Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far, burning *with* his anger, and the [†] burden *thereof is* [‡] heavy: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue as a devouring fire:

28 And [q] his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and *there shall be a* bridle in the jaws of the people, causing *them* to err.

29 Ye shall have a song, as in the night *when* a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the LORD, to the [•] mighty One of Israel.

30 And the LORD shall cause [†] his glorious voice to be heard, and shall shew the lighting down of his arm, with the indignation of *his* anger, and *with* the flame of a devouring fire, *with* scattering, and tempest, and hailstones.

31 For through the voice of the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten down, *which* smote with a rod.

32 And [§] *in* every place where the

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[a] Mat. 23. 37.
[•] *cause to rest upon him.*
[b] ch. 11. 15.
[†] *or, against them.*
[‡] *from yesterday.*
[c] Lo. 26. 8. Jos. 23. 10.
[§] *or, a tree bereft of branches, or, boughs:* or, *a mast*
[d] Eze. 17. 15.
[e] Ps. 90. 7.
[f] Ps. 2. 12. Pr. 16. 20. Je. 17. 7.
[g] ch. 65. 9.
[h] Da. 9. 13.
[i] Nu. 23. 19.
[‖] *remove.*
[k] 1 Ki. 22. 27. Ps. 127. 2.
[•] or, *oppression.*
[l] Ps. 146. 3, 5.
[m] Am. 8. 11.
[n] Jos. 1. 7.
[•] Ho. 11. 10. Am. 3. 8.
[†] *the graven images of thy silver.*
[‡] *scatter.*
[¶] or, *multitude*
[p] ch. 42. 13.
[r] Ho. 14. 8.
[s] Mat. 6. 33. 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[t] Ps. 91. 4.
[u] Ps. 37. 40.
[•] Ho. 9. 9.
[‖] *leavened,* or, *savoury*
[•] *the idols of his gold.*
[†] *lifted up.*
[w] ch. 60. 19, 20.
[‡] or, *for fear of.*
[§] *for melting,* or, *tribute,* or, *tributary.*
[‖] *his rock shall pass away for fear.*
[•] or, *his strength.*
[†] or, *grievousness of flame.*
[‡] *heaviness.*
[¶] Ps. 45. 1, &c. Je. 23. 5. Ho. 3. 5. Zec. 9. 9. Ro. 5. 21. He. 1. 8, 9.
[a] 2 Th. 2. 8.
[•] ch. 4. 6. 25. 4.
[§] *heavy.*
[‖] *hasty.*
[•] *Rock,* De. 32. 4.
[†] *the glory of his voice.*
[‡] or, *elegantly.*
[§] *every passing of the rod founded*

grounded staff shall pass, which the LORD shall [•] lay upon him, *it* shall be with tabrets and harps: and in battles of [†] shaking will he fight [†] with it.

33 For Tophet *is* ordained [‡] of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made *it* deep *and* large: the pile thereof *is* fire and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle it.

CHAP. XXXI.

WOE to them [d] that go down to Egypt for help; and [e] stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because *they are* many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, [f] neither seek the LORD!

2 Yet he also *is* wise, and will bring evil, and [i] will not [‖] call back his words: but will arise against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.

3 Now the Egyptians *are* [l] men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit. When the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.

4 For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me, [r] Like as the lion and the young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him, *he* will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the [§] noise of them: [s] so shall the LORD of hosts come down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

5 As [t] birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; [u] defending also he will deliver *it; and* passing over he will preserve *it.*

6 ¶ Turn ye unto *him from* whom the children of Israel have [•] deeply revolted.

7 For in that day every man shall cast away his idols of silver, and [•] his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you *for* a sin.

8 ¶ Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a mighty man; and the sword, not of a mean man, shall devour him: but he shall flee [‡] from the sword, and his young men shall be [§] discomfited.

9 And [‖] he shall pass over to [•] his strong hold for fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the ensign, saith the LORD, whose fire *is* in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.

CHAP. XXXII.

BEHOLD, [y] a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.

2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and [a] a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a [§] great rock in a weary land.

3 And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken.

4 The heart also of the [‖] rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak [‖] plainly.

5 The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl said *to be* bountiful.

6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.

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7 The instruments also of the churl *are* evil: he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the poor with lying words, even ° when the needy speaketh right.

8 But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he † stand.

9 ¶ Rise up, ye women [e] that are at ease; hear my voice, ye careless daughters; give ear unto my speech.

10 ‖ Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women: for the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.

11 Tremble, ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird *sackcloth* upon *your* loins.

12 They shall lament for the teats, for the § pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.

13 Upon [f] the land of my people shall come up thorns *and* briers; ‖ yea, upon all the houses of joy *in* the joyous city:

14 Because the palaces shall be forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be left; the § forts and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks;

15 Until [h] the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and [i] the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.

16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field.

17 And [k] the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

19 When ° it shall hail, coming down on [p] the forest; and the city shall be ‖ low in a low place.

20 Blessed *are* ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth *thither* the feet of the ox and the ass.

CHAP. XXXIII.

WOE to thee [r] that spoilest, and thou *wast* not spoiled; and dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! [s] when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; *and* when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

2 O LORD, be gracious unto us; [t] we have waited for thee: be thou their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.

3 At the noise of the tumult the people fled; at the lifting up of thyself the nations were scattered.

4 And your spoil shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpiller: as the running to and fro of locusts shall he run upon them.

5 The [u] LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, *and* strength of § salvation: the fear of the LORD *is* his treasure.

7 Behold, their ° valiant ones shall cry without: † the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly.

8 The [d] highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: [e] he hath broken the covenant, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.

9 The earth mourneth *and* languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed *and* † hewn down: Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off *their fruits*.

10 Now [x] will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will I lift up myself.

11 Ye [b] shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, *as* fire, shall devour you.

12 And the people shall be *as* the burnings of lime: *as* thorns cut up shall they be burned in the fire.

13 ¶ Hear, [g] ye *that are* far off, what I have done; and, ye *that are* near, acknowledge my might.

14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

15 He that [f] walketh ° righteously, and speaketh † uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of ‡ oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of ‖ blood, and § shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;

16 He shall dwell on ° high: his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters *shall be* sure.

17 Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land † that is very far off.

18 Thine heart shall meditate terror. [l] Where *is* the scribe? where *is* the ‡ receiver? where *is* he that counted the towers?

19 Thou [m] shalt not see a fierce people, [n] a people of deeper speech than thou canst perceive; of a § stammering tongue, *that thou canst* not understand.

20 Look ¶ upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle *that* shall not be taken down; not one [o] of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

21 But there the glorious LORD *will be* unto us a place ° of broad rivers *and* streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

22 For the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD is [p] our † lawgiver, [q] the LORD is our king; he will save us.

23 ‡ Thy tackings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of a great spoil divided; the lame take the prey.

24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: [r] the people that dwell therein *shall be* forgiven *their* iniquity.

CHAP. XXXIV.

COME near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: [s] let the earth hear, and § all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.

2 For the indignation of the LORD *is* upon all nations, and *his* fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.

3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and [t] their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

4 And [f] all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be ‖ rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from

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° or, *when he speaketh against the poor* in *judgment*.
[a] Ps. 12. 5.
† or, *be established*.
[b] ch. 59. 4. Ps. 7. 14.
[c] Am. 6. 1.
‡ *Days above a year*.
§ *fields of desire*.
[d] Ho. 9. 6.
‖ or, *burning upon, &c.*
[f] Ps. 15. 2.
° *in righteousnesses*.
† *uprightnesses*.
‡ or, *gifts*.
§ or, *its fortifications*.
‖ *bloods*.
[g] Ps. 119. 37.
[h] Ps. 104. 30. Joel 2. 28.
° *heights*, or, *high places*
[i] ch. 29. 17. 35. 2.
† *of far distances*.
[k] Ja. 3. 18.
[l] 1 Co. 1. 20.
‡ *weigher*.
[m] 2 Ki. 19. 32.
[n] De. 28. 49. Je. 5. 15.
° ch. 30. 30.
§ or, *ridiculous*.
[p] Zec. 11. 2.
‖ or, *utterly abased*.
[q] Ps. 48. 12.
[r] ch. 54. 2.
[s] ch. 21. 2. Hab. 2. 6.
° *broad of spaces*, or, *hands*.
[t] Re. 13. 10.
[u] Ja. 4. 12.
† *statute-maker*.
° Ps. 89. 18.
[x] ch. 25. 9.
‡ or, *They have forsaken thy tackings*.
[y] Je. 50. 20.
[z] Ps. 97. 9.
[a] De. 32. 1.
§ *the fulness thereof*.
‖ *salvations*.
° or, *messengers*.
[b] 2 Ki. 18. 18, 37.
[c] Joel 2. 20.
[d] Ju. 5. 6.
[e] 2 Ki. 18. 14 ..17.
[f] Ps. 102. 26. Mat. 24. 29. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[g] Re. 6. 14.
† or, *withered away*.

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the vine, and as a [a] falling *fig* from the fig tree.

5 For [b] my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it [c] shall come down upon Idumea, and upon the people of my curse, to judgment.

6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, *and* with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams: for [d] *the* LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.

7 And the [†] unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls; and their land shall be [§] soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.

8 For *it is* the day of the LORD'S [‡] vengeance, *and* the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion.

9 And [h] the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.

10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; [m] the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: [n] from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

11 ¶ But [r] the [‖] cormorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it: and [s] he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the stones of emptiness.

12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none *shall be* there, and all her princes shall be nothing.

13 And [t] thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and [u] it shall be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for [†] owls.

14 ‖ The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with [§] the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the [‖] screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.

15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered, every one with her mate.

16 ¶ Seek ye out of [y] the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall want her mate: for my mouth it hath commanded, and his spirit it hath gathered them.

17 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

CHAP. XXXV.

THE [a] wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

2 It [b] shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, *and* the excellency of our God.

3 ¶ Strengthen [c] ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.

4 Say to them *that are* of a [§] fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come *with* vengeance, *even* God *with* a recompence; he will come and save you.

5 Then [d] the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and [e] the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

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[a] Re. 6. 13.
[b] Mat. 15. 30. Jno. 5. 8, 9. Ac. 3. 2, &c.
[c] De. 32. 41, 42. Ps. 17. 13. Is. 34. 5. Zep. 2. 12.
[d] Jno. 7. 38.
[e] Je. 49. 7, &c. Mal. 1. 4.
[o] or, *a court for reeds.*
[f] Zep. 1. 7.
[g] Joel 3. 17. Re. 21. 27.
[†] or, *rhinoceroth.*
[‡] or, *for he* shall be *with them.*
[§] or, *drunken.*
[h] Le. 26. 6. Eze. 34. 25.
[i] ch. 63. 4.
[k] De. 29. 23. [l] ch. 51. 11. [m] Re. 7. 17. 21. 4.
[n] Re. 14. 11. 18. 18.
[o] Mal. 1. 4.
[p] 2 Ki. 18. 13, 17. 2 Ch. 32. 1.
[r] Zep. 2. 14. Re. 18. 2.
[‖] or, *pelican.*
[s] 2 Ki. 21. 13. La. 2. 8.
[t] ch. 32. 13. Ho. 9. 6.
[o] or, *secretary.*
[u] ch. 13. 21, &c.
[†] *daughters of the owl,* or, *ostriches*
[v] 2 Ki. 18. 19, &c.
[‡] *Ziim.*
[§] *Ijim.*
[x] 2 Ch. 32. 10, &c. Ps. 4. 2, 3.
[‖] or, *night monster.*
[o] *a word of lips.*
[†] or, but *counsel and strength* are *for the war.*
[y] Mal. 3. 16. [z] 2 Ch. 31. 1. 32. 12. 1 Co. 2. 15.
[‡] or, *hostages*
[a] Ne. 4. 2..5. Ps. 123. 3, 4.
[b] ch. 55. 12.
[c] ch. 32. 15.
[d] De. 17. 16.
[e] Ps. 20. 7, 8.
[f] Job 4. 3, 4. He. 12. 12.
[§] *hasty.*
[g] Mat. 9. 27, &c. Jno. 9. 6, 7.
[h] Mar. 7. 32, &c.

6 Then shall the [f] lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall [g] waters break out, and streams in the desert.

7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, *shall be* [o] grass with reeds and rushes.

8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; [h] the unclean shall not pass over it; but it *shall be* for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err *therein.*

9 No [i] lion shall be there, nor *any* ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk *there:*

10 And the [l] ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and [m] sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

CHAP. XXXVI.

NOW [p] it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, *that* Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the defenced cities of Judah, and took them.

2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field.

3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was over the house, and Shebna the [o] scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

4 ¶ And [p] Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, [q] What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?

5 I say, *sayest thou,* (but *they are but* [o] vain words) [r] *I have* counsel and strength for war: now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?

6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.

7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is it* not he, [s] whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar?

8 Now therefore give [‡] pledges, I pray thee, to my master the king of Assyria, [a] and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, [d] and put thy trust on Egypt for [e] chariots and for horsemen?

10 And am I now come up without the LORD against this land to destroy it? the LORD said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

11 ¶ Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee, unto thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it:* and speak not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.

12 ¶ But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to speak these words? *hath he* not *sent*

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me to the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

13 Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear ye the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.

14 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you.

15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, [o] Make *an agreement* with me *by a present*, and come out to me: [b] and eat ye every one of his vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his own cistern;

17 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards.

18 *Beware* lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, The LORD will deliver us. Hath any [c] of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

19 Where *are* the gods of Hamath and Arphad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim? and have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?

20 Who *are they* among all the gods of these lands, that have delivered their land out of my hand, [d] that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?

21 But [m] they held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not.

22 ¶ Then came Eliakim, the son of Hilkiah, that *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder, to Hezekiah [n] with *their* clothes rent, and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

CHAP. XXXVII.

AND [p] it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.

2 And he sent Eliakim, who *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests covered with sackcloth, unto [r] Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, [s] This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of [§] blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.

4 It [u] may be the LORD thy God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God, and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that is [v] left.

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say unto your master, Thus saith the LORD, [w] Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

7 Behold, I will [§] send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.

8 ¶ So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

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[o] 1 Sa. 25. 27. *Make with me a blessing*, or, *Seek my favour by a present.*
[b] Zec. 3. 10.
[c] Eze. 27. 23.
[d] 2 Ki. 18. 34.
[e] Je. 49. 23.
[f] 1 Co. 8. 4.
[g] 1 Sa. 4. 4. Ps. 80. 1.
[h] Ps. 86. 10. Je. 10. 10. . 12 Re. 11. 17.
[i] Ex. 5. 2. Job 15. 25, 26 Da. 3. 15.
[k] Ps. 31. 2. Da. 9. 18.
[l] 2 Ch. 6. 40.
[m] Ps. 38. 13, 14. 39. 1. Pr. 9. 7. 23. 9. Am. 5. 13. Mat. 7. 6.
† *lands.*
‡ *given.*
[n] Ge. 37. 29, 34 Job 1. 20. Je. 36. 24. Mat. 26. 65.
[o] Ps. 115. 4. Je. 10. 3, 6. Ho. 8. 6.
[p] 2 Ki. 19. 1, &c.
[r] Isa. 3. 4. *Heaias.*
[s] Ps. 116. 3, 4. Je. 30. 7.
§ or, *provocation.*
[t] Job 16. 4.
[u] Ps. 22. 7, 8. La. 2. 15.
[v] 2 Sa. 16. 12. Am. 5. 15.
[w] Ps. 71. 22. Is. 5. 24. Je. 51. 5. Hab. 1. 12, 13
‖ *the hand of thy.*
• *found.*
† *tallness of the cedars thereof, and the choice of the fir trees thereof.*
[x] Ps. 91. 15. Re. 3. 19.
‡ or, *and his fruitful field.*
§ or, *put a spirit into him.*
‖ or, *fenced and closed.*
• or, *how I have made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste, and defenced cities to be ruinous heaps?*

9 And [o] he heard say concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He is come forth to make war with thee. And when he heard *it*, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,

10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not thy God, in whom thou trustest, deceive thee, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.

11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?

12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, *as* Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of [•] Eden which *were* in Telassar?

13 Where [d] *is* the king of [•] Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?

14 ¶ And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up unto the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

15 And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying,

16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, [§] that dwellest *between* the cherubims, [h] thou *art* the God, *even* thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.

17 Incline [k] thine ear, O LORD, and hear; [l] open thine eyes, O LORD, and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproach the living God.

18 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the [†] nations, and their countries,

19 And have [t] cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but [•] the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

20 Now therefore, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou *art* the LORD, *even* thou only.

21 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:

22 This *is* the word which the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem [r] hath shaken her head at thee.

23 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted *thy* voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against [•] the Holy One of Israel.

24 By [‖] thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down the [†] tall cedars thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, *and* the forest [‡] of his Carmel.

25 I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of the [‖] besieged places.

26 Hast thou not heard [•] long ago, *how* I have done it; *and* of ancient times, that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

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27 Therefore their inhabitants *were* * of small power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the housetops, and *as corn* blasted before it be grown up.

28 But I know thy ‡ abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.

29 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into mine ears, therefore ᵃ will I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

30 And * this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat *this* year such as groweth of itself; and the second year that which springeth of the same: and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.

31 And the ‖ remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward:

32 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and * they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

33 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with ‡ shields, nor cast a bank against it.

34 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

35 For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

36 Then the *f* angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.

37 ¶ So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.

38 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of * Armenia: and Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

IN ᵇ those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, † Set *l* thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.

2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the LORD,

3 And said, ᵇ Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I * have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept § sore.

4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying,

5 Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, ᶠI have heard thy prayer, ᶜ I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years.

6 And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and * I will defend this city.

7 And this *shall be* *ᵍ a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that he hath spoken;

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* *short of hand.*
† *degrees by,* or, *with the sun.*
‡ or, *sitting.*
ᵃ Ezek. 38. 4.
ᵇ Ps. 27. 13. 116. 9.
ᶜ 1 Sa. 2 34. Lu. 2. 12.
ᵈ Job 7. 6.
§ or, *from the* thrum.
‖ *escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth.*
* *the escaping.*
† or, *ease me.*
‡ *shield.*
* Job 7. 11.
§ or, *on my peace* came
‖ *loved my soul from the pit.*
f 2 Ki. 19. 35.
ᵍ Ps. 6. 5. Ec. 9. 10.
ʰ Dt. 4. 9. 6. 7. Ps. 78. 3, 4. Pr. 1. 8.
* *Ararat.*
i 2 Ki. 20. 7, 8. Mar. 7. 33. Jno. 9. 6.
k 2 Ki. 20. 1, &c. 2 Ch. 32. 24.
† *Give charge concerning thy house.*
l 2 Sa. 17. 23.
ᵐ 2 Ki. 20. 12, &c.
ⁿ Ne. 13. 14.
* Ge. 17. 1. Job 1. 1. Jno. 1. 47. 2 Co. 1. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 21, 22.
p 2 Ch. 32. 31.
‡ or, *spicery.*
§ *with great weeping.*
‖ *vessels,* or, *instruments,* or, *jewels.*
¶ Ps. 24. 5, 6. 50. 15. Lu. 1. 13. 1 Jno. 5. 14, 15.
ʳ Ps. 39. 12. 56. 8. 147. 3. 2 Co. 7. 6. He. 5. 7. Re. 21. 4.
* ch. 37. 35.
t 2 Ki. 20. 8, &c.

8 Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the † sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down.

9 ¶ The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of his sickness:

10 I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years.

11 I said, I shall not see the LORD, *even* the LORD, ᵇ in the land of the living: I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the world.

12 Mine ᵈ age is departed, and is removed from me as a shepherd's tent: I have cut off like a weaver my life: he will cut me off § with pining sickness: from day *even* to night wilt thou make an end of me.

13 I reckoned till morning, *that*, as a lion, so will he break all my bones: from day *even* to night wilt thou make an end of me.

14 Like a crane *or* a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail *with looking* upward: O LORD, I am oppressed; † undertake for me.

15 What shall I say? he hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath done *it:* I shall go softly all my years * in the bitterness of my soul.

16 O Lord, by these *things men* live, and in all these *things is* the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live.

17 Behold, § for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast ‖ in love to my soul *delivered it* from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.

18 For ᵍ the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

19 The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I *do* this day: ʰ the father to the children shall make known thy truth.

20 The LORD *was ready* to save me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of the LORD.

21 For *i* Isaiah had said, Let them take a lump of figs, and lay *it* for a plaister upon the boil, and he shall recover.

22 Hezekiah also had said, What *is* the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?

CHAP. XXXIX.

AT ᵐ that time Merodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.

2 And *p* Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his ‡ precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his ‖ armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

3 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country unto me, *even* from Babylon.

4 Then said he, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that *is* in mine house have they seen;

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there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD of hosts:

6 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and *that* which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and † they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.

8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, [e] Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken. He said moreover, For there shall be peace and truth in my days.

CHAP. XL.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

2 Speak ye ‖ comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her ‖ warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: [f] for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

3 ¶ The [f] voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, [m] Prepare ye the way of the LORD, [n] make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made [o] straight, and the rough places † plain:

5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? [p] All flesh *is* grass, and all the goodliness thereof *is* as the flower of the field:

7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because [r] the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people *is* grass.

8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but [t] the word of our God shall stand for ever.

9 ¶ ‡ O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; § O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift *it* up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come ‖ with strong *hand*, and [v] his arm shall rule for him: behold, [y] his reward *is* with him, and † his work before him.

11 He shall [a] feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry *them* in his bosom, *and* shall gently lead those † that are with young.

12 ¶ Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in § a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

13 Who [d] hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* [e] his counsellor hath taught him?

14 With whom took he counsel, and *who* † instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of § understanding?

15 Behold, the nations *are* as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burn,

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[a] Da. 4. 35.
[b] Ps. 62. 9.
[c] Ac. 17. 29.
[d] Je. 10. 3, &c.
[e] *poor of oblation.*
† Fulfilled, Da. 1. 2, 3, 7.
[f] 1 Sa. 3. 18.
[f] Je. 10. 4.
[g] Ps. 19. 1. Ac. 14. 17. Ro. 1. 19, 20.
‡ or, *Him that sitteth*
§ *to the heart*
[h] Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 2. Je. 10. 12.
‖ or, *appointed time.*
[i] Job 42. 10.
[k] Job 12. 21. Ps. 107. 40.
[l] Jno. 1. 23.
[m] Mal. 3. 1.
[n] Ps. 68. 4.
• or, *a straight place.*
• De. 4. 15, &c.
† or, *a plain place.*
[p] Ps. 147. 4.
[r] Job 14. 2. Ps. 90. 5. Ja. 1. 10. 1 Pe. 1. 24.
[t] Ps. 103. 16.
[t] Jno. 12. 34. 1 Pe. 1. 25.
‡ or, *O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion.*
[v] Ro. 11. 33.
§ or, *O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem.*
‖ or, *against the strong.*
• ch. 59. 16.
[y] Re. 22. 12.
[z] Ps. 103. 5. 2Co. 4. 8..10, 16.
• *change.*
† or, *recompence for his work.*
ch. 69. 4.
[a] Jno. 10. 11. He. 13. 20. Re. 7. 17.
‡ or, *that give suck.*
[b] Zec. 3. 13.
§ *a tierce.*
‖ *righteousness.*
[c] ch. 46. 11.
[d] Ro. 11. 34. 1 Co. 2. 16.
[e] Ge. 14. 18, &c.
• *man of his counsel.*
† *made him understand.*
‡ *in peace.*
§ *understandings.*
[f] Jno. 1. 1.

nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

17 All nations before him *are* as [g] nothing; and [h] they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.

18 ¶ To whom then will ye [i] liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?

19 The [d] workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains.

20 He that *is* [k] so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree *that* will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman [f] to prepare a graven image, *that* shall not be moved.

21 Have [l] ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

22 ‡ *It is* he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof *are* as grasshoppers; that [k] stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

23 That bringeth the [m] princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.

24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.

25 To [o] whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.

26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: [p] he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one faileth.

27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is [r] passed over from my God?

28 ¶ Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? [t] *there is* no searching of his understanding.

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But [v] they that wait upon the LORD [a] shall [•] renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

CHAP. XLI.

KEEP [b] silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew *their* strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment.

2 Who raised up † the righteous *man* [c] from the east, called him to his foot, gave [d] the nations before him, and made *him* rule over kings? he gave *them* as the dust to his sword, *and* as driven stubble to his bow.

3 He pursued them, *and* passed ‡ safely; *even* by the way *that* he had not gone with his feet.

4 Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, the [f] first, and with the last; I *am* he.

5 The isles saw *it*, and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came.

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6 They [a] helped every one his neighbour; and *every one* said to his brother, [b] Be of good courage.

7 So [b] the carpenter encouraged the [†] goldsmith, *and* he that smootheth *with* the hammer [‡] him that smote the anvil, [§] saying, It *is* ready for the sodering: and he fastened it with nails, *that* it should not be moved.

8 But thou, Israel, *art* my servant, Jacob whom I have [d] chosen, the seed of Abraham my [e] friend.

9 *Thou* whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou *art* my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

10 ¶ Fear thou not; [f] for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be [g] ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and [h] they that strive with thee shall perish.

12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, *even* [†] them that contended with thee: [i] they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

13 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

14 Fear not, thou worm Jacob, *and* ye [†] men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

15 Behold, [‡] I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having [‡] teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat *them* small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.

16 Thou shalt [§] fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, *and* [§] shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

17 *When* the poor and needy seek water, and *there is* none, *and* their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, *I* the God of Israel will not forsake them.

18 I will open [k] rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the [l] wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, *and* the pine, and the box tree together:

20 That *f* they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

21 ¶ Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong *reasons*, saith the King of Jacob.

22 Let [§] them bring *them* forth, and shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what they *be*, that we may [†] consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.

23 Shew [i] the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye *are* gods: yea, [k] do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold *it* together.

24 Behold, [l] ye *are* [§] of nothing, and your work [§] of nought: an abomination *is he that* chooseth you.

25 I have raised up *one* from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun [m] shall he call upon my name: and he

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[a] ch. 41. 12.
[b] *Be strong.*
[c] ch. 40. 19.
[†] or, *founder*
[‡] or, *the smiting.*
[§] or, *saying of the solder, It is good.*
[d] ch. 40. 9.
[e] De. 7. 6. Ps. 135. 4.
[f] 2 Ch. 20. 7. Ja. 2. 23.
[g] ch. 63. 5.
[h] *return.*
[i] De. 31. 6, 8. Mat. 12. 18 ..20. Phi. 2. 7.
[k] Mat. 3. 17. 17. 5. Ep. 1. 6.
[l] ch. 11. 2. Jno. 3. 34.
[m] Ex. 23. 22.
[n] *the men of thy strife.*
[†] *the men of thy contention.*
[‡] or, *dimly burning.*
[§] *quench it.*
[||] *the men of thy war.*
[o] *broken.*
[m] Ge. 49. 10.
[n] Zec. 12. 1.
[†] or, *five men.*
[o] Ps. 136. 6.
[p] Ac. 17. 25.
[r] Mi. 4. 13. 2 Co. 10. 4, 5.
[‡] *mouths.*
[s] ch. 49. 8.
[t] Je. 51. 2.
[u] Lu. 2. 32. Ac. 13. 47.
[v] ch. 35. 5.
[w] ch. 61. 1. Lu. 4. 18. 2 Ti. 2. 26. He. 2. 14, 15.
[x] ch. 45. 25.
[a] ch. 9. 2.
[a] ch. 48. 11.
[b] ch. 35. 6, 7.
[c] Ps. 107. 35.
[d] Ps. 98. 1.
[e] Ps. 107. 23.
[§] *the fulness thereof.*
[f] Job 12. 9.
[||] *Cause to come near.*
[g] ch. 45. 21.
[h] ch. 31. 4.
[•] or, *behave himself mightily.*
[†] *set our heart upon them.*
[i] Jno. 13. 19.
[‡] *swallow,* or, *sup up.*
[k] Je. 10. 5.
[l] Ps. 115. 8. 1 Co. 8. 4.
[§] or, *worse than nothing.*
[||] or, *worse than of a viper.*
[m] Ezr. 1. 2.

shall come upon princes as *upon* morter, and as the potter treadeth clay.

26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, *He is* righteous? yea, *there is* none that sheweth, yea, *there is* none that declareth, yea, *there is* none that heareth your words.

27 The first [a] *shall say* to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

28 For [f] I beheld, and *there was* no man; even among them, and *there was* no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could [†] answer a word.

29 Behold, they *are* all vanity; their works *are* nothing: their molten images *are* wind and confusion.

CHAP. XLII.

BEHOLD [b] my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, *in whom* my soul [c] delighteth; [b] I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

2 He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.

3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the [‡] smoking flax shall he not [§] quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.

4 He shall not fail nor be [•] discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: [m] and the isles shall wait for his law.

5 ¶ Thus saith God the LORD, [n] he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; [o] he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; [p] he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:

6 I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, [q] and give thee for a covenant of the people, for [r] a light of the Gentiles;

7 To [s] open the blind eyes, to [t] bring out the prisoners from the prison, *and* them that sit in [u] darkness out of the prison house.

8 I *am* the LORD: that *is* my name: and my [x] glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

10 Sing [d] unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise from the end of the earth, [e] ye that go down to the sea, and [§] all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

11 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up *their voice*, the villages *that* Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

12 Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands.

13 The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry, [h] yea, roar; he shall [•] prevail against his enemies.

14 I have long time holden my peace; I have been still, *and* refrained myself: *now* will I cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy and [‡] devour at once.

15 I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools.

16 And I will bring the blind by a way *that* they knew not; I will lead them in paths *that* they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and

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crooked things [o] straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.

17 ¶ They shall be [a] turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye *are* our gods.

18 Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

19 Who [d] *is* blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger *that* I sent? who *is* blind as *he that is* perfect, and blind as the LORD's servant?

20 Seeing many things, [f] but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not.

21 The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make *it* honourable.

22 But this *is a* people robbed and spoiled; [g] *they are* all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for [†] a spoil, and none saith, Restore.

23 Who among you will give ear to this? *who* will hearken and hear for the [‡] time to come?

24 Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his law.

25 Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger, and the strength of battle: [s] and it hath set him on fire round about, [y] yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid *it* not to heart.

CHAP. XLIII.

BUT now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, [a] and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, [i] I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* mine.

2 When [v] thou passest through the waters, [y] I *will be* with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou [z] walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

3 For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: [a] I gave Egypt *for* thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy [†] life.

5 Fear *not*: for I *am* with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;

6 I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;

7 *Even* every one that is [i] called by my name: for [b] I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

8 ¶ Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is* truth.

10 Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, [m] and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me

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[o] *into straightness.*
[†] or, *nothing formed of God.*
[a] ch. 1. 29. Ps. 97. 7.
[b] Ho. 13. 4. Jno. 10. 30. 1 Jno. 4. 14.
[c] De. 32. 16. Ps. 81. 9.
[d] Exe. 12. 2. Jno. 9. 39, 41.
[e] Ps. 90. 2. Jno. 8. 58.
[f] Ro. 2. 21.
[‡] *turn it back?*
[g] Job 9. 12.
[§] *bars.*
[h] or, him.
[i] or, *in snaring all the young men of them.*
[k] Ps. 77. 19.
[†] *a treading.*
[l] Jos. 2. 13, 16.
[m] Ex. 14. 4.—9, 23.
[‡] *after time.*
[n] Je. 16. 14. 23. 7.
[m] 2 Co. 5. 17. Re. 21. 5.
[n] Ex. 17. 6. Nu. 20. 11. De. 8. 15.
[o] 2 Ki. 25. 9.
[p] Ho. 7. 8.
[§] *daughters of the owl,* or, *ostriches*
[r] Ps. 102. 18. Lu. 1. 74, 75.
[s] Ep. 1. 5, 6.
[t] ch. 44. 2, 21, 24.
[t] ch. 45. 4.
[u] Mal. 1. 13.
[v] Ps. 66. 12. 91. 3, &c.
[w] Am. 5. 25.
[y] De. 31. 6, 8.
[‖] *lambs,* or, *kids.*
[z] Da. 3. 25, 27.
[a] Pr. 11. 8.
[o] *made me drunk,* or, *abundantly moistened.*
[b] Mal. 2. 17.
[c] Ac. 3. 19.
[d] Exe. 36. 22.
[†] or, *person.*
[e] Je. 31. 34.
[f] Je 45. 27, 28.
[‡] *interpreters.* Mal. 2. 7, 8.
[g] La. 2. 2, 6, 7.
[§] or, *holy princes.*
[h] Ps. 79. 4. De. 9. 11.
[i] ch. 63. 19. Ja. 2. 7.
[k] Jno. 3. 3, 5. 2 Co. 5. 17. Ep. 2. 10.
[l] Joel 2. 28. Jno. 7. 38. Ac. 2. 18.
[m] ch. 55. 4.

there was [†] no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, *even* I, [b] *am* the LORD; and beside me *there is* no saviour.

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when *there was* no [c] strange *god* among you: therefore ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.

13 Yea, [c] before the day *was* I *am* he; and *there is* none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall [‡] let *it*?

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their [§] nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry *is* in the ships.

15 I *am* the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.

16 Thus saith the LORD, which [h] maketh a way in the sea, and a [i] path in the mighty waters;

17 Which [k] bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.

18 ¶ Remember [l] ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I will do a [m] new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? [n] I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.

20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the [§] owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.

21 This [r] people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

22 ¶ But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou [s] hast been weary of me, O Israel.

23 Thou [z] hast not brought me the [‖] small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.

24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou [o] filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast [b] wearied me with thine iniquities.

25 I, *even* I, *am* he that [c] blotteth out thy transgressions [d] for mine own sake, [e] and will not remember thy sins.

26 Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy [f] teachers have transgressed against me.

28 Therefore [g] I have profaned the [§] princes of the sanctuary, [h] and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

CHAP. XLIV.

YET now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen:

2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, *which* will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.

3 For I will [l] pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring:

4 And they shall spring up *as* among the grass, as willows by the water courses.

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5 One shall say, I *am* the LORD's; and another shall call *himself* by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe *with* his hand unto the LORD, and surname *himself* by the name of Israel.

6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; [b] I *am* the first, and I *am* the last; and beside me *there is* no God.

7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them.

8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared *it*? ye *are* even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, [c] *there is* no [*] God; I know not *any*.

9 ¶ They that make a graven image *are* all of them vanity; and their [†] delectable things shall not profit; and they *are* their own witnesses; [d] they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed.

10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image [e] *that* is profitable for nothing?

11 Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they *are* of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; *yet* they shall fear, *and* they shall be ashamed together.

12 The [m] smith with [§] the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint.

13 The carpenter stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house.

14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he [*] strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish *it*.

15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth *it*, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth *it*; he maketh it a graven image, and falleth down thereto.

16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth *himself*, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire:

17 And the residue thereof he maketh a god, *even* his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth *it*, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou *art* my god.

18 They [f] have not known nor understood: for [e] he hath [†] shut their eyes, that they cannot see; *and* their hearts, that they cannot understand.

19 And none [‡] considereth [d] in his heart, neither *is there* knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten *it*: and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to [§] the stock of a tree?

20 He feedeth on ashes: [g] a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he can-

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[a] Ps. 51. 1, 9. 103. 12. Mi. 7. 18, 19. Ac. 3. 19. Ro 3. 24...26.
[b] Re. 1. 8, 17. 22. 13.
[c] 1 Co. 6. 20. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19.
[d] Ps. 69. 34. 96. 11, 12. Je. 51. 48. Re. 18. 20.
[e] De. 4. 35, 39. 32. 39. 1 Sa. 2. 2. 2 Sa. 22. 32. 1 Ti. 3. 16.
[*] *rock.* De. 32. 4.
[f] Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 2.
[†] *desirable.*
[g] Je. 50. 36.
[h] Ps. 115. 4, &c.
[i] 1 Co. 1. 20.
[k] Hab. 2. 18.
[l] Zec. 1. 6.
[‡] *wastes.*
[m] Je. 51. 32, 33.
[n] Je. 10. 3, &c.
[§] or, *an ax.*
[*] 2 Ch. 26. 22, 23. Ezr. 1. 1, &c.
[‖] or, *strengthened.*
[p] ch. 41. 42. Da. 5. 40.
[*] or, *taketh courage.*
[r] Ps. 107. 16.
[s] Ex. 33. 12, 17
[t] Ac. 17. 23. Ga. 4. 8, 9. Ep. 2. 12.
[u] 1 Th. 4. 5.
[v] ch. 44. 8. 46. 9. De. 4. 35, 39. 32. 39. 1 Ki. 8. 60. Joel 2. 27.
[w] Job 12. 18, 21. Ps. 18. 32, 39.
[x] Ps. 102. 15. Mal. 1. 11.
[y] Jno. 1. 1. He. 1. 8, 9.
[z] ch. 45. 20.
[a] Ps. 8. 3. Je. 31. 35. 2 Co. 4. 6.
[*] 2 Th. 2. 11.
[†] *daubed.*
[b] Am. 3. 6.
[c] Ps. 72. 3. 85. 11.
[‡] *setteth to his heart.*
[d] ch. 46. 8.
[e] ch. 64. 8.
[§] *that which comes of.*
[f] ch. 29. 16. Je. 18. 6. Ro. 9. 20.
[g] Ho. 4. 12. Ro. 1. 21. 2 Th. 2. 11.

not deliver his soul, nor say, *Is there* not a lie in my right hand?

21 ¶ Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou *art* my servant: I have formed thee; thou *art* my servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me.

22 I [a] have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for [c] I have redeemed thee.

23 Sing, [d] O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done *it*: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.

24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I *am* the LORD that maketh all *things*; [f] that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;

25 That frustrateth the tokens [g] of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise *men* backward, [e] and maketh their knowledge foolish;

26 That [i] confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the counsel of his messengers; that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be built, and I will raise up the I decayed places thereof:

27 That [m] saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers:

28 That saith of Cyrus, *He is* my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, [o] Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.

CHAP. XLV.

THUS saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have [‖] holden, [p] to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;

2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: [r] I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:

3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which [s] call *thee* by thy name, *am* the God of Israel.

4 For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast [t] not known me.

5 [u] I [v] *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else, *there is* no God beside me: [w] I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

6 That [x] they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none beside me. [y] I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.

7 I [z] form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and [a] create evil: I the LORD do all these *things*.

8 Drop [*] down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I the LORD have created it.

9 Woe unto him that striveth with [†] his Maker! *Let* the potsherd *strive* with the potsherds of the earth. [b] Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?

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10 Woe unto him that saith unto *his* father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

11 Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my [a] sons, and concerning [d] the work of my hands command ye me.

12 I have made the earth, and [e] created man upon it: I, *even* my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and [h] all their host have I commanded.

13 I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will [†] direct all his ways: he shall [i] build my city, and he shall let go my captives, [j] not for price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.

14 Thus saith the LORD, [k] The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; *in* chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, *saying*, [m] Surely God is in thee; and *there is* none else, *there is* no God.

15 Verily thou *art* a God [o] that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.

16 They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together *that are* makers of idols.

17 *But* [r] Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I *am* the LORD; and *there is* none else.

19 I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: [y] I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

20 ¶ Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye *that are* escaped of the nations: [z] they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god *that* cannot save.

21 Tell ye, and bring *them* near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not I the LORD? and *there is* no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; *there is* none beside me.

22 Look [a] unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else.

23 I [b] have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every [d] knee shall bow, [‡] every tongue shall swear.

24 ‖ Surely, shall *one* say, in the LORD have I [†] righteousness [i] and strength: *even* to him shall *men* come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.

25 In [m] the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

CHAP. XLVI.

BEL boweth down, Nebo stoopeth, their idols were upon the beasts, and upon the cattle: your carriages *were* heavy loaden; [r] *they are* a burden to the weary *beast*.

2 They stoop, they bow down together; they could not deliver the burden, [e] but [e] themselves are gone into captivity.

3 ¶ Hearken unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, [b] which are borne *by me* from the belly, which are carried from the womb:

4 And *even* to *your* old age [r] I *am* he; and *even* to hoar hairs [f] will I carry *you*: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver *you*.

5 ¶ To whom will ye liken me, and make *me* equal, and compare me, that we may be like?

6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, *and* hire a goldsmith; and he maketh it a god: they fall down, yea, they worship.

7 They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea, *one* shall cry unto him, yet can he not answer, nor save him out of his trouble.

8 Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring *it* again to mind, O ye transgressors.

9 Remember [m] the former things of old: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else; *I am* God, and *there is* none like me,

10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, [p] My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man [‡] that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, [r] I have spoken *it*, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed *it*, I will also do it.

12 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye [s] stouthearted, [m] that *are* far from righteousness:

13 I [v] bring near my righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall [x] not tarry: and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel my glory.

CHAP. XLVII.

COME down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground: *there is* no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate.

2 Take [a] the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.

3 Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: [b] I will take vengeance, and I will not meet *thee as* a man.

4 *As for* our redeemer, the LORD of hosts *is* his name, the Holy One of Israel.

5 Sit thou [d] silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans: [f] for thou shalt no more be called, The lady of kingdoms.

6 ¶ I [g] was wroth with my people, I have polluted mine inheritance, and given them into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon [h] the ancient hast thou very heavily laid thy yoke.

7 ¶ And thou saidst, I shall be [m] a lady for ever: *so* that thou didst not lay these *things* to thy heart, [o] neither didst remember the latter end of it.

8 Therefore hear now this, *thou that art* given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, [p] I *am*, and none else beside me; I shall not sit *as a* widow, neither shall I know the loss of children:

9 But these two *things* shall come to

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[a] Je. 48. 7.
[b] *their seed.*
[b] ch. 63. 9. Ex. 19. 4. De. 1. 31. 32. 11. Ps. 71. 6.
[c] Je. 31. 9.
[d] Is. 29. 23.
[e] Ps. 102. 27. Mal. 3. 6.
[f] Ps. 66. 14. 71. 18.
[g] Ge. 1. 26, 27.
[h] Ge. 2. 1.
[†] or, *make straight.*
[i] 2 Ch. 36. 22, 23. Ezr. 1. 1, &c.
[j] ch. 52. 3.
[k] Ro. 3. 24.
[l] Ps. 68. 31. 72. 10, 11. Zec. 8. 22, 23.
[m] Ps. 149. 8.
[m] 1 Co. 14. 25.
[n] De. 32. 7.
[o] ch. 8. 17. 57. 17.
[p] Ps. 33. 11. Pr. 19. 21. 21. 30. Ac. 5. 39. He. 6. 17.
[r] Ro. 11. 26.
[‡] *of my counsel.*
[r] Nu. 23. 19.
[s] Ps. 76. 5.
[t] Ro. 10. 3.
[u] Ro. 1. 17. 3. 21.
[x] Hab. 2. 3.
[y] Ps. 19. 8.
[z] Ro. 1. 22, 23.
[a] Ex. 11. 5. Jo. 16. 21. Mat. 24. 41.
[b] Ro. 12. 19.
[c] Ps. 23. 27. 65. 5.
[d] 1 Sa. 2. 9.
[e] Ge. 22. 16. He. 6. 13.
[f] Da. 2. 37.
[g] 2 Sa. 24. 14. 2 Ch. 28. 9. Zec. 1. 15.
[h] Ro. 14. 11. Phi. 2. 10.
[i] Ge. 31. 53. De. 6. 13. Ps. 63. 11.
[§] or, *Surely he shall say of me, In the LORD is all righteousness and strength.*
[k] De. 28. 50.
[‖] *righteousnesses.*
[l] Je. 23. 5. 1 Co. 1. 30. 31.
[m] Re. 18. 7.
[n] Ho. 5. 1, 18. 19. 1 Co. 6. 11. 2 Co. 5. 21.
[o] De. 32. 29. Je. 5. 31.
[p] Zep. 2. 15.
[r] Je. 10. 5.

thee [a] in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection [b] for the multitude of thy sorceries, *and* for the great abundance of thine enchantments.

10 ¶ For thou hast [c] trusted in thy wickedness: *f* thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath [d] perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, *I am*, and none else beside me.

11 ¶ Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know † from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to § put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, *which* thou shalt not know.

12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; *if* so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.

13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now [e] the ‖ astrologers, the stargazers, [e] the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from *these things* that shall come upon thee.

14 Behold, they shall be [h] as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver † themselves from the power of the flame: *there shall not be* a coal to warm at, *nor* fire to sit before it.

15 Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, *even* [e] thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee.

CHAP. XLVIII.

HEAR ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and [a] are come forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by the name of the LORD, and make mention of the God of Israel, *but* [n] not in truth, nor in righteousness.

2 For they call themselves [p] of the holy city, and [q] stay themselves upon the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts *is* his name.

3 I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did *them* suddenly, [a] and they came to pass.

4 Because I knew that thou *art* ‡ obstinate, and [b] thy neck *is* an iron sinew, and thy brow brass;

5 I have even from the beginning declared *it* to thee; before it came to pass I shewed *it* thee: lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.

6 Thou hast heard, see all this; and will not ye declare *it*? I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them.

7 They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldest say, Behold, I knew them.

8 Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time *that* thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called [k] a transgressor from the womb.

9 ¶ For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.

10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not ‡ with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.

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[a] 1 Th. 5. 3.
[b] De. 32. 26, 27. Eze. 20. 9.
[c] Na. 3. 4.
[d] Ps. 52. 7.
[e] Mat. 24. 45. Ro. 1. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[f] Eze. 8. 12.
[g] Re. 1. 17. 22. 13.
[h] Ps. 102. 25.
[i] or, caused thee to turn away.
† or, *the palm of my right hand hath spread out.*
‡ *the morning thereof.*
§ *expiate.*
[k] Da. 2. 2.
‖ *viewers of the heavens*
[l] Zec. 2. 8, 11.
[m] *that give knowledge concerning the months.*
[n] Na. 1. 10. Mal. 4. 1.
[o] Ps. 32. 8.
† *their souls.*
[p] De. 38. 29.
[q] Ps. 119. 165.
[r] Ro. 18. 11.
[s] Ho. 1. 10.
[t] Ro. 18. 4.
[u] Ps. 68. 26.
[v] ch. 65. 16. De. 6. 13.
[w] Je. 4. 2.
[x] Nu. 32. 11.
[y] ch. 52. 1.
[z] Mi. 3. 11. Ro. 2. 17.
[a] Jos. 21. 45.
‡ *hard.*
[b] Ex. 32. 9. De. 31. 27.
[c] Lu. 1. 15, 31. Jno. 10. 36. Ga. 1. 15.
[d] He. 4. 12. Re. 1. 16.
[e] Ps. 45. 5.
[f] Zec. 3. 8. Jno. 17. 1, 4. Phi. 2. 6. 11.
[g] Jno. 13. 31. 15. 8. Ep. 1. 6.
[h] Eze. 3. 19.
§ or, *reward*, ch. 62. 11.
‖ or, *That Israel may be gathered to him, and I may.*
[i] Mat. 23. 37.
[k] or, Art thou *lighter than that, &c.*
[l] Ps. 58. 3.
† or, *desolations.*
[m] Lu. 2. 32. Ac. 13. 47.
‡ or, *for.* Eze. 22. 20. 22.
[n] Mat. 26. 67.
§ or, *that is despised in soul.*

11 For mine own sake, *even* for mine own sake, will I do *it*: for [k] how should *my name* be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.

12 ¶ Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, [g] my called; I *am* he; I *am* the [g] first, I also *am* the last.

13 Mine [h] hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and † my right hand hath spanned the heavens: *when* I call unto them, they stand up together.

14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these *things*? The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm *shall be on* the Chaldeans.

15 I, *even* I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous.

16 ¶ Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there *am* I: and now [l] the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.

17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, [i] which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldest go.

18 O [m] that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! [n] then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:

19 Thy [o] seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before me.

20 ¶ Go [r] ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it *even* to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob.

21 And they thirsted not *when* he led them through the deserts: he [s] caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out.

22 *There is* no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.

CHAP. XLIX.

LISTEN, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; [t] The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.

2 And he hath made [d] my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me [e] a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;

3 And said unto me, [f] Thou *art* my servant, O Israel, [g] in whom I will be glorified.

4 Then [h] I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain: *yet* surely my judgment *is* with the LORD, and my § work with my God.

5 ¶ And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb *to be* his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, ‖ Though Israel [i] be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength.

6 And he said, [k] It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the † preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a [l] light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

7 Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, *and* his Holy One, [m] to him § whom man despiseth, to him whom the

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nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers, [a] Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship, because of the LORD that is faithful, *and* the Holy One of Israel, and he shall choose thee.

8 Thus saith the LORD, [b] In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to [†] establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;

9 That thou mayest say [c] to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that *are* in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures *shall be* in all high places.

10 They shall not [d] hunger nor thirst; [e] neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that hath mercy on them [f] shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.

11 And [g] I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.

12 Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.

13 ¶ Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his [*] afflicted.

14 But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.

15 Can [h] a woman forget her sucking child, § that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, [i] yet will I not forget thee.

16 Behold, [k] I have graven thee upon the palms of *my* hands; thy walls *are* continually before me.

17 Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee.

18 ¶ Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, *and* come to thee. *As* I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them *on thee*, as a bride *doeth*.

19 For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, [l] shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.

20 The children which thou shalt have, [m] after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in thine ears, The place *is* too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell.

21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where *had* they *been*?

22 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in *their* [*] arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon *their* shoulders.

23 And kings shall be thy [†] nursing fathers, and their [‡] queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with *their* face toward the earth, and [n] lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: for [o] they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

24 ¶ Shall [p] the prey be taken from the mighty, or the § lawful captive delivered?

25 But thus saith the LORD, Even the [*] captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children.

26 And I will [q] feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with [†] sweet wine: and all flesh [r] shall know that I the LORD *am* thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

CHAP. L.

THUS saith the LORD, Where *is* [s] the bill of your mother's divorcement, whom I have put away? or which of my [t] creditors *is it* to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities [u] have ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.

2 Wherefore, when I came, [x] *was there* no man? [y] when I called, *was there* none to answer? [z] Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver? behold, [a] at my rebuke I [b] dry up the sea, I make the [c] rivers a wilderness: [d] their fish stinketh, because *there is* no water, and dieth for thirst.

3 I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their covering.

4 The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to *him that is* [e] weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.

5 ¶ The Lord GOD [f] hath opened mine ear, and I was not [g] rebellious, neither turned away back.

6 I [h] gave my back to the smiters, and [i] my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

7 ¶ For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have [k] I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

8 *He* [l] *is* near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who *is* [m] mine adversary? let him come near to me.

9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who *is he that* shall condemn me? [n] lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

10 ¶ Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that [o] obeyeth the voice of his servant, that [p] walketh in darkness, and hath no light? [q] let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass *yourselves* about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks *that* ye have kindled. [r] This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down [s] in sorrow.

CHAP. LI.

HEARKEN to me, [t] ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock *whence* ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit *whence* ye are digged.

2 Look [u] unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah *that* bare you: [x] for I called him alone, and [y] blessed him, and increased him.

3 For the LORD [z] shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert [a] like the garden of the LORD;

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[*] *captivity.*
[a] Ps. 72. 10, 11.
[b] Ps. 69. 13. 2 Co. 6. 2.
[c] ch. 9. 20.
[†] *or, new wine.*
[d] Ps. 9. 16.
[‡] *or, raise up*
[e] Zec. 9. 12.
[f] Je. 3. 6. Ho. 2. 2.
[g] Mat. 18. 25.
[h] Re. 7. 16.
[i] Ps. 121. 6.
[k] ch. 52. 2.
[l] Ps. 23. 2.
[m] ch. 40. 4.
[n] Pr. 1. 24. Je. 7. 13. 35. 15.
[o] Nu. 11. 23.
[p] Ps. 106. 9. Na. 1. 4.
[q] Ex. 14. 21.
[r] Jos. 3. 16.
[s] Ex. 7. 18, 21.
[t] Ps. 103. 13. Mal. 3. 17. Mat. 7. 11.
[u] Mat. 11. 28.
§ *from Assyria.*
[x] Ro. 11. 29.
[y] Ps. 40. 6. 8.
[z] Ex. 13. 9. Ca. 8. 6.
[a] Mat. 26. 39. Jno. 14. 31. Phi. 2. 8. He. 10. 5, &c.
[b] Mat. 26. 67. 27. 26. Jno. 18. 22.
[c] La. 3. 30.
[d] Eze. 3. 8, 9
[e] Ro. 8. 32. 34
‖ *the master of my cause.*
[f] ch. 54. 1, 2. Zec. 2. 4. 10. 10.
[g] Job 13. 28. Ps. 102. 26.
[h] Mat. 3. 9. Ro. 11. 17, &c.
[i] Ps. 22. 4.
[k] 2 Ch. 20. 20. Ps. 20. 7.
[l] Jno. 9. 39.
[m] Ps. 16. 4.
[n] *bosom.*
[o] Ro 9. 30. 32
[†] *nourishers.*
[‡] *princesses.*
[p] Ro. 4. 1, 16. He. 11. 11, 12
[q] Ps. 72. 9.
[r] Ge. 12. 1, 2.
[s] Ge. 24. 1. 35.
[t] Ps. 34. 22. Ro. 5. 5. 9. 33. 10. 11.
[u] Ps. 102. 13.
[x] Lu. 11. 21, 22
§ *captivity of the just.*
[y] Ge. 12. 10. Joel 2. 3.

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joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

4 ¶ Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: [a] for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the people.

5 My [b] righteousness *is* near; my salvation is gone forth, [c] and mine arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust.

6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for [d] the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but [e] my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished.

7 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people [h] in whose heart *is* my law; [i] fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.

8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation.

9 ¶ Awake, [m] awake, [n] put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. *Art* thou not it that hath cut Rahab, *and* wounded the [o] dragon?

10 *Art* thou not it which hath [r] dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?

11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and [s] everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

12 I, *even* I, *am* he [u] that comforteth you: who *art* thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man *that* shall die, and of the son of man *which* shall be made [v] *as* grass;

13 And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath [y] stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he [o] were ready to destroy? [z] and where *is* the fury of the oppressor?

14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed, [b] and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread should fail.

15 But I *am* the LORD thy God, that [c] divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of hosts *is* his name.

16 And [d] I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou *art* my people.

17 ¶ Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which [g] hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; [i] thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, *and* wrung *them* out.

18 *There is* none to guide her among all the sons *whom* she hath brought forth; neither *is there any* that taketh her by the hand of all the sons *that* she hath brought up.

19 These two *things* [§] are come unto thee; who shall be sorry for thee? desolation, and destruction, and the famine, and the sword: [*] by whom shall I comfort thee?

20 Thy [p] sons have fainted, they lie at

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[a] ch. 2. 3.
[b] Ro. 1. 16, 17.
[c] Je. 50. 34.
[d] Ps. 67. 4. 98. 9.
[e] Mat. 24. 35. 2Pe. 3. 10, 12.
[f] Je. 25. 17, 26. 28.
[g] Jno. 3. 15, 16. 5. 24. 10. 27...30. 2 Th. 2. 16. He. 5. 9. 9. 12, 15.
[h] Ps. 37. 31.
[i] Mat. 10. 28. Ac. 5. 41.
[k] Ne. 11. 1. Mat. 4. 5. Re. 21. 2.
[l] Re. 12. 17.
[m] Ps. 44. 23.
[n] Ps. 93. 1. Re. 11. 17.
[o] Ps. 74. 13, 14. Eze. 29. 3.
[p] Ge. 46. 6. Ac. 7. 14.
[r] Ex. 14. 21.
[s] ch. 35. 10. 2Co. 4. 17, 18. Jude 24.
[t] Ro. 2. 24.
[u] 2 Co. 1. 3
[v] Ne. 1. 15. Ro. 10. 15.
[w] 1 Pe. 1. 24.
[y] ch. 40. 22. 42. 5. 44. 24. Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 2.
[z] Ps. 93. 1. 96. 10.
[o] or, *made himself ready.*
[a] Job 20. 7.
[b] Zec. 9. 11.
[c] Job 26. 12. Je. 31. 35.
[d] ch. 59. 21. De. 18. 18. Jno. 3. 34.
[e] Lu. 3. 6.
[f] 2 Co. 6. 17.
[g] Job 21. 20. Je. 25. 15, 16.
[h] Mi. 2. 13.
[i] De. 28. 28, 34. Ps. 60. 3. 75. 8. Eze. 23. 32 ...34. Zec. 12. 2. Re. 14. 10.
[k] Ex. 14. 19.
† *gather you up.*
‡ or, *prosper.* ch. 53. 10.
[l] Jno. 3. 31. 5. 22, 23. Ep. 1. 20, 23. Phi. 2. 9.
[m] Ps. 22. 6, 7. Mat. 26. 67.
§ *happened.*
‖ *breaking.*
[n] Ep. 3. 5, 9.
[o] Am. 7. 2.
[p] La. 2. 11, 12, 19.

the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they are full of the fury of the LORD, the rebuke of thy God.

21 ¶ Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine:

22 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God [q] *that* pleadeth the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, *even* the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again:

23 But [r] I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee; which have said to thy soul, Bow down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over.

CHAP. LII.

AWAKE, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, [s] the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised [t] and the unclean.

2 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, *and* sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

3 For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

4 For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into [p] Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

5 Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD; and my name continually every day [*] *is* blasphemed.

6 Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore *they shall know* in that day that I *am* he that doth speak: behold, *it is* I.

7 ¶ How [o] beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, [*] Thy God reigneth!

8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the LORD shall bring again Zion.

9 ¶ Break forth into joy, sing together, ye [*] waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and [*] all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

11 ¶ Depart [r] ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean *thing*; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD.

12 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: [t] for the LORD will go before you; [t] and the God of Israel *will* † *be* your rereward.

13 ¶ Behold, my servant shall ‡ deal prudently, [t] he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.

14 As many were astonished at thee; his [*] visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:

15 So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for *that* [*] which had not been told them shall they see; and *that* which they had not heard shall they consider.

[q] Ps. 35. 1. Je. 50. 34.
[r] Re. 18. 4.
[s] Ne. 11. 1. Re. 21. 2.
[t] Re. 21. 27.
[o] Na. 1. 15.
[*] or, *is a reproach.*
[*] or, *reigneth!*
[*] or, *desolate.*
[*] Ps. 98. 3. Is. 40. 5. Lu. 3. 6.
[r] ch. 48. 20. Je. 50. 8. 51. 6, 45. Re. 18. 4.
† *be gathered.*
[t] Ex. 13. 21. Is. 58. 8.
[t] ch. 42. 1. 49. 7. Da. 7. 14.
[*] or, *marred.*
[*] Ro. 15. 21.

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CHAP. LIII.

WHO [a]hath believed our [b]report? and to whom is [c]the arm of the LORD revealed?

2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: [d]he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him.

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and [e]acquainted with grief: and [f]we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

4 ¶ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him [g]stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

5 But he *was* wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his [h]stripes we are healed.

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath [i]laid on him the iniquity of us all.

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet [j]he opened not his mouth: [k]he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

8 He was taken [l]from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was [m]he stricken.

9 And he made his grave with the wicked, [n]and with the rich in his [o]death; because he had done no violence, neither *was any* [p]deceit in his mouth.

10 ¶ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: when [q]thou shalt make his soul [r]an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, [s]he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: [t]by his knowledge shall my righteous servant [u]justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

12 Therefore [v]will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was [w]numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and [x]made intercession for the transgressors.

CHAP. LIV.

SING, O barren, thou *that* didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou *that* didst not travail with child: for more *are* the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.

2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;

3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

4 Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shall not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.

5 For [y]thy Maker *is* thine husband; the [z]LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; [a]The God of the whole earth shall he be called.

6 [b]For the LORD [c]hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

7 For [d]a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.

8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.

9 For this *is as* the waters of [e]Noah unto me: *for as* I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.

10 For [f]the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; [g]but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

11 ¶ O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, *and* not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with [h]fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.

12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

13 And all thy children *shall be* [i]taught of the LORD; and [j]great *shall be* the peace of thy children.

14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, *but* not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

17 ¶ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, [k]and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.

CHAP. LV.

HO, [l]every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; [m]come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

2 Wherefore do ye [n]spend money for *that which is* not bread? and your labour for *that which* satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye *that which* is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

3 Incline your ear, and [o]come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; [p]and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the [q]sure mercies of David.

4 Behold, I have given him *for a* [r]witness to the people, [s]a leader and commander to the people.

5 Behold, [t]thou shalt call a nation *that* thou knowest not, [u]and nations *that* knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; [v]for he hath glorified thee.

6 ¶ [w]Seek [x]ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the [y]unrighteous man his thoughts: and

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[a] Jno. 12. 38.
[b] *hearing, or, doctrine.*
[c] ch. 63. 4.
[d] 1 Co. 1. 18.
[e] Mar. 9. 12.
[f] Ps. 30. 5.
2 Co. 4. 17.
[g] He. 4. 15.
[h] *as on hiding of faces from him, or, from us, or, he hid as it were his face from us.*
[i] Ge. 8. 21.
9. 11.
Je. 31. 35, 36.
[j] *or, tormented.*
[k] Ps. 66. 2.
Mat. 5. 18.
[l] Ps. 89. 33.
[m] *bruise.*
[n] *made the iniquity of us all to meet on him.*
[o] Re. 21. 18, &c.
[p] Mat. 26. 63.
[q] Ac. 8. 32.
[r] *or, away by distress and judgment: but who, &c.*
[s] Jno. 6. 45.
1 Co. 2. 10.
1 Th. 4. 9.
1 Jno. 2. 20.
[t] Ps. 119. 165.
[u] *the stroke upon him.*
[v] Mat. 27. 57.
[w] *deaths.*
[x] 1 Jno. 3. 5.
[y] or, *his soul shall make.*
[z] 2 Co. 5. 21.
[a] Ro. 6. 9.
[b] Jno. 17. 3.
[c] Ro. 5. 18, 19.
[d] Phi. 2. 9.
[e] ch. 45. 24, 25.
1 Co. 1. 30.
Phi. 3. 9.
[f] Mar. 15. 28.
[g] Ro. 8. 34.
[h] Jno. 4. 14.
7. 37.
Re. 22. 17.
[i] Mat. 13. 44, 46.
Ro. 3. 18.
[j] *weigh.*
[k] Mat. 11. 28.
[l] Je. 32. 40.
[m] 28a. 7. 8, &c.
Ac. 13. 34.
[n] Jno. 18. 37.
Re. 1. 5.
[o] Je. 30. 9.
Da. 9. 25.
[p] Ep. 2. 11, 12.
[q] ch. 60. 5.
[r] Ac. 3. 13.
[s] Mat. 5. 25.
Jno. 7. 34.
2 Co. 6. 1, 2.
He. 3. 13.
[t] Je. 3. 14.
[u] Lu. 1. 32.
[v] Ro. 3. 29.
[w] *men of iniquity.*

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let him return unto the LORD, [a] and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will [*] abundantly pardon.

8 ¶ For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

9 For [c] *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

10 For [d] as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.

12 For [b] ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall [f] break forth before you into singing, and [b] all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands.

13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD [m] for a name, for an everlasting sign *that* shall not be cut off.

CHAP. LVI.

THUS saith the LORD, Keep ye [†] judgment, and do justice: [n] for my salvation *is* near *to* come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

2 Blessed *is* the man *that* doeth this, and the son of man *that* layeth hold on it; [o] that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.

3 [‡] Neither let [p] the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I *am* a dry tree.

4 For thus saith the LORD *unto* the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose *the things* that please me, and take hold of my covenant;

5 Even unto them will I give in [q] mine house and within my walls a place [r] and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;

7 Even them will I [s] bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: [t] their burnt offerings and their sacrifices *shall be* accepted upon mine altar; for [u] mine house shall be called an house of prayer [v] for all people.

8 The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, [x] Yet will I gather *others* to him, [†] beside those that are gathered unto him.

9 ¶ All ye beasts of the field, come to devour, *yea*, all ye beasts in the forest.

10 His watchmen *are* [y] blind: they are all ignorant, they *are* all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; [‡] sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

11 Yea, *they are* [§] greedy dogs *which* [‖] can never have enough, and they *are* shepherds *that* cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter.

12 Come ye, *say they*, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; [b] and to morrow shall be as this day, *and* much more abundant.

CHAP. LVII.

THE righteous perisheth, and no man layeth *it* to heart: and [†] merciful men *are* taken away, [c] none considering that the righteous is taken away from [‡] the evil *to come*.

2 He shall [§] enter into peace: they shall rest in [f] their beds, *each one* walking [‖] *in* his uprightness.

3 ¶ But draw near hither, [g] ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw out the tongue? *are* ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,

5 Enflaming yourselves [a] with idols under every green tree, [i] slaying the children in the valleys under the clifts of the rocks?

6 Among the smooth *stones* of the stream *is* thy portion; they, they *are* thy lot: even to them hast thou poured a drink offering, thou hast offered a meat offering. Should I receive comfort in these?

7 Upon a lofty and high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up to offer sacrifice.

8 Behind the doors also and the posts hast thou set up thy remembrance: for thou hast discovered *thyself* to *another* than me, and art gone up; thou hast enlarged thy bed, and [‡] made thee *a covenant* with them; thou lovedst their bed [§] where thou sawest *it*.

9 And thou [‖] wentest to the king with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off, and didst debase *thyself even* unto hell.

10 Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; *yet* saidst thou not, [r] There is no hope: thou hast found the [*] life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved.

11 And of whom hast thou been afraid or feared, that thou hast lied, and hast not remembered me, nor laid *it* to thy heart? have not I held my peace even of old, and thou fearest me not?

12 I will declare thy righteousness, and thy works; for they shall not profit thee.

13 ¶ When thou criest, let thy companies deliver thee; but the wind shall carry them all away; vanity shall take *them:* but he that putteth his trust in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy mountain;

14 And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, [s] whose name *is* Holy; I dwell in the high and holy *place*, [t] with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

16 For [d] I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls [u] *which* I have made.

17 For the iniquity of [f] his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and

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[a] Ps. 130. 7. Je. 3. 12.
[*] *multiply to pardon.*
[b] Lu. 12. 19.
[c] Ps. 103. 11.
[d] De. 32. 2.
[†] *men of kindness,* or, *godliness.*
[e] 1 Ki. 14. 13.
[‡] or, *that which is evil.*
[§] or, *go in peace.* Lu. 2. 29.
[f] 2 Ch. 16. 14.
[‖] or, *before him.*
[g] Mat. 16. 4.
[h] ch. 65. 13, 14.
[i] Ps. 96. 12.
[b] 1 Ch. 16. 33.
[a] or, *among the oaks.*
[i] Le. 18. 21. 2 Ki. 16. 3.
[m] Je. 13. 11.
[†] or, *equity.*
[n] Mat. 3. 2. 4. 17. Ro. 13. 11.
[o] ch. 58. 13.
[‡] or, *heaved it for thyself* larger *than their's*
[§] or, *thou providedst room.*
[p] De. 23. 1..3. Ac. 8. 27. 1 Pe. 1. 1.
[‖] or, *respectedst the king.*
[r] Je. 2. 25.
[*] or, *living.*
[s] 1 Ti. 3. 15.
[t] Jno. 1. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 1.
[u] 1 Pe. 1. 1, 2.
[v] Ro. 12. 1. He. 13. 15.
[x] Lu. 19. 46.
[y] Mal. 1. 11.
[z] Job 6. 10. Lu. 1. 69.
[a] Jno. 10. 16. Ep. 1. 10. 2. 14..16.
[†] *to his gathered.*
[b] Ps. 51. 17. 138. 6.
[c] Mat. 15. 14.
[d] Ps. 103. 9. Mi. 7. 18.
[‡] or, *dreaming,* or, *talking in their sleep.*
[e] Nu. 16. 22. He. 12. 9.
[§] *strong of appetite.*
[f] Je. 6. 13.
[‖] *know not to be satisfied.*

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was wroth, and he went on * frowardly in the way of his heart.

18 I have seen his ways, and * will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.

19 I create ‡ the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace ᵉ to *him that is* far off, and to *him that is* near, saith the LORD; and I will heal him.

20 But ᶠ the wicked *are* like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

21 *There is* no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

CHAP. LVIII.

CRY † aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

2 Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God.

3 ¶ Wherefore ᵍ have we fasted, *say they*, and thou seest not? *wherefore* have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your * labours.

4 Behold, ʰ ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: † ye shall not fast as *ye do this* day, to make your voice to be heard on high.

5 Is it ⁱ such a fast that I have chosen? ‡ a day for a man to afflict his soul? *is it* to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes *under him*? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the LORD?

6 *Is* not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, ᵏ to undo the * heavy burdens, and to let the † oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?

7 *Is it* not ᵏ to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are ˡ cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

8 ¶ Then * shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall § be thy rereward.

9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I *am*. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity;

10 And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness *be* as the noon day:

11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in ‖ drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters * fail not.

12 And *they that shall be* of thee * shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

13 ¶ If ᵈ thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable;

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* *turning away.*
ª Je. 3. 22.
ᵇ Job 22. 26.
ᶜ De. 32. 13. 33. 29.
ᵈ He. 13. 15.
ᵉ Ac. 2. 39. Ep. 2. 17.
ᶠ ch. 1. 30. Mi. 4. 4. Mat. 24. 35.
ᵍ Pr. 4. 16.
ʰ Nu. 11. 23.
† *with the throat.*
‡ or, *have made him hide.*
ⁱ ch. 1. 15. Mat. 27. 4.
ᵏ Job 15. 35. Ps. 7. 14.
ˡ Mal. 3. 14.
§ or, *adders'.*
‖ or, *sprinkled* is as if *there brake out a viper.*
* *griefs*, or, *things wherewith ye grieve others.*
ᵐ 1 Ki. 21. 9.
† or, *ye fast not as this day.*
ⁿ Zec. 7. 5.
ᵒ Pr. 1. 16. Ro. 3. 15.
‡ or, *to afflict his soul for a day.*
§ *breaking.*
‖ or, *right.*
ᵖ Ps. 125. 5. Pr. 2. 15. Na. 3. 10..13
* *bundles of the yoke.*
† *broken.*
ᵍ Je. 8. 15.
ʳ Mat. 25. 35.
‡ or, *afflicted*
ˢ De. 28. 29. Job 5. 14. Am. 8. 9.
ᵗ Job 11. 17.
ᵘ Eze. 7. 16.
§ *gather thee up.*
ᵛ Mat. 12. 34.
‖ *drought, hts.*
* *lie*, or, *deceive.*
† or, *is accounted mad.*
ᵃ ch. 61. 4.
‡ *it was evil in his eyes.*
ᵃ Eze. 22. 30.
ᵇ Mar. 6. 6.
ᶜ Ps. 98. 1.
ᵈ ch. 56. 2. Ex. 20. 8..11. 31. 13..17. Je. 17. 21..27
ᵉ Ep. 6. 14..17. 1 Th. 5. 8.

and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking *thine own* words:

14 Then ᵇ shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ᶜ ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

CHAP. LIX.

BEHOLD, the LORD'S hand is not ª shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear:

2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins † have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

3 For ᵉ your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.

4 None calleth for justice, nor *any* pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; ᵇ they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.

5 They hatch § cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is ‖ crushed breaketh out into a viper.

6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works *are* works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.

7 Their * feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts *are* thoughts of iniquity; wasting and § destruction *are* in their paths.

8 The way of peace they know not; and *there is* no ‡ judgment in their goings: ᶠ they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.

9 ¶ Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: ᵍ we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, *but* we walk in darkness.

10 We ʰ grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if *we had* no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the night; *we are* in desolate places as dead *men*.

11 We roar all like bears, and ᶦ mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but *there is* none; for salvation, *but* it is far off from us.

12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for our transgressions *are* with us; and *as for* our iniquities, we know them;

13 In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering ᶠ from the heart words of falsehood.

14 And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

15 Yea, truth faileth; and he *that* departeth from evil ᵗ maketh himself a prey: and the LORD saw *it*, and ‡ it displeased him that *there was* no judgment.

16 ¶ And ᵃ he saw that *there was* no man, and ᵇ wondered that *there was* no intercessor: ᶜ therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.

17 For ᵉ he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the gar-

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ments of vengeance *for* clothing, [a] and was clad with zeal as a cloke.

18 According to *their* [b] deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his adversaries, recompence to his enemies; to the islands he will repay recompence.

19 So [c] shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in [d] like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall † lift up a standard against him.

20 ¶ And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.

21 As [e] for me, this *is* my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My spirit that *is* upon thee, [f] and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from henceforth and for ever.

CHAP. LX.

ARISE, † shine; [g] for thy light is come, and [h] the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

3 And the [i] Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at *thy* side.

5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because [k] the § abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the ‖ forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and [l] Ephah; all they from [m] Sheba shall come: they shall bring [n] gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.

7 All the flocks of [o] Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and [p] I will glorify the house of my glory.

8 Who *are* these *that* fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?

9 Surely [q] the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, [r] to bring thy sons from far, [s] their silver and their gold with them, [t] unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.

10 And [u] the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, [v] and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, [w] but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.

11 Therefore thy gates [x] shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that *men* may bring unto thee the [y] forces of the Gentiles, and *that* their kings *may be* brought.

12 For [z] the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, *those* nations shall be utterly wasted.

13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make [a] the place of my feet glorious.

14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall [b] bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city of the LORD, [c] The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

15 Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through *thee*, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.

16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the LORD *am* thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness.

18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call [d] thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.

19 The [e] sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and [f] thy God thy glory.

20 Thy [g] sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

21 Thy ¶ people also *shall be* all righteous: [h] they shall inherit the land for ever, [i] the branch of my planting, [k] the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

22 A [l] little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.

CHAP. LXI.

THE [m] Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because the LORD [n] hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me [o] to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim [p] liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound;

2 To [q] proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and [r] the day of vengeance of our God; [s] to comfort all that mourn;

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, [t] to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, [u] that he might be glorified.

4 ¶ And they shall [v] build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

5 And [w] strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien *shall be* your plowmen and your vinedressers.

6 But [x] ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: *men* shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

7 ¶ For [y] your shame *ye shall have* double; and *for* confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

8 For [z] I the LORD love judgment, [a] I

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[a] Jno. 2. 17.
[b] 1 Ch. 28. 2. Ps. 132. 7.
[c] *recompences.*
[d] Re. 3. 9.
[e] Mal. 1. 11.
[f] He. 12. 22. Re. 14. 1.
[g] Re. 12. 15.
† or, *put him to flight.*
[h] He. 8. 10. 10. 16.
[i] Jno. 7. 16. 17. 8.
‡ or, *be enlightened; for thy light cometh.*
[k] Ep. 5. 14.
[l] ch. 26. 1.
[m] Mal. 4. 2.
[n] Re. 21. 23.
[o] Zec. 2. 5.
[p] Re. 21. 24.
[q] Am. 8. 9.
[r] ch. 52. 1. Re. 21. 27.
[s] Ps. 37. 11, 22. Mat. 5. 5.
[t] Mat. 15. 13. Jno. 15. 2.
[u] Ep. 2. 10.
[v] Mat. 13. 31, 32.
§ Ro. 11. 25.
‖ or, *noise of the sea shall be turned toward thee.*
‖ or, *wealth.* ch. 61. 6.
[x] ch. 11. 2. Lu. 4. 18. Jno. 1. 32. 3. 34.
[y] Ge. 25. 4.
[z] Ps. 72. 10.
[a] Ps. 45. 7.
[b] Mat. 2. 11.
[c] Ps. 147. 3.
[d] Je. 31. 8.
[e] Ge. 25. 13.
[f] Le. 25. 9.
[g] Mal. 4. 1, 3. 1 Th. 1. 7, 9. Heb. 7. 9.
[h] Mat. 5. 4.
[i] Ps. 30. 11.
[k] Ps. 72. 10.
[l] Ga. 4. 26.
[m] Ps. 68. 30. Zec. 14. 14.
[n] Jno. 15. 8.
[o] Je. 3. 17.
[p] Eze. 36. 33.. 36.
[q] Zec. 6. 15.
[r] ch. 49. 23.
[s] Ep. 2. 12.
[t] ch. 54. 7, 8.
[u] Re. 21. 25.
[v] Ex. 19. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 5, 9. Re. 1. 6. 5. 10.
[w] or, *wealth.*
[x] Zec. 14. 17, 19. Mat. 21. 44.
[y] ch. 40. 2. Zec. 9. 12.
[z] Ps. 11. 7.
[a] ch. 1. 11, 13.

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hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, [b] and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, [c] that they *are* the seed *which* the LORD hath blessed.

10 I [d] will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for [e] he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, [f] as a bridegroom [g] decketh *himself* with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth *herself* with her jewels.

11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause [h] righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

CHAP. LXII.

FOR Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until [m] the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp *that* burneth.

2 And [n] the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: [o] and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.

3 Thou shalt also be [p] a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.

4 Thou [r] shalt no more be termed [m] Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed [s] Desolate: but thou shalt be called [t] Hephzi-bah, and thy land [‡] Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.

5 ¶ For *as* a young man marrieth a virgin, *so* shall thy sons marry thee: and [§] *as* the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, *so* shall thy God rejoice over thee.

6 I [u] have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, *which* shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that [v] make mention of the LORD, keep not silence,

7 And give him no [†] rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem [‖] a praise in the earth.

8 The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, [‡] Surely I will no more [x] give thy corn *to be* meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured:

9 But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have brought it together shall drink it [*] in the courts of my holiness.

10 ¶ Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.

11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, [a] Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his [b] reward *is* with him, and his [c] work before him.

12 And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city [m] not forsaken.

CHAP. LXIII.

WHO *is* this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this *that is* [d] glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

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[a] Re. 19. 13.
[b] ch. 55. 3. 2 Sa. 23. 5.
[c] Le. 1. 15. Re. 11. 19.
[d] ch. 65. 23.
[e] Hab. 3. 18.
[f] Ps. 132. 9, 16. Re. 19. 8.
[g] Jno. 16. 22.
[h] Re. 21. 2.
[i] *decketh as a priest.*
[k] Ps. 98. 1.
[l] Re. 16. 6.
[m] Ps. 72. 3.
[n] 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[o] ch. 60. 3.
[p] ch. 65. 15.
[r] Zec. 9. 16.
[s] Ac. 9. 4.
[t] De. 7. 7, 8.
[u] Ho. 1. 10. 1 Pe. 2. 10.
[v] ch. 49. 14.
[x] ch. 54. 1.
[y] Ex. 15. 24. Nu. 14. 11. Ac. 7. 51. Ep. 4. 30.
† i. e. *my delight is in her.*
‡ i. e. *married.*
§ 2 Co. 11. 2.
[z] Ex. 23. 21.
‖ *with the joy of the bridegroom*
[a] or, *shepherds.* Ps. 77. 20.
[b] Ne. 9. 20. Da. 4. 8.
[c] Eze. 33. 7.
[d] or, *are the LORD's remembrancers.*
† *silence.*
[e] Zep. 3. 20.
‡ *If I live.*
[f] De. 28. 31, &c.
[g] Ps. 33. 14.
§ or, *the multitude.*
[h] Je. 31. 20.
[i] De. 12. 12.
[k] De. 32. 6. 1 Ch. 29. 10.
[l] Job 14. 21. Ec. 9. 5.
‖ or, *our redeemer from everlasting is thy name.*
[m] Zec. 9. 9. Mat. 21. 5. Jno. 12. 15.
[n] ch. 40. 10. Re. 22. 12.
[o] ch. 6. 10. Jno. 12. 40. Ro. 9. 18.
[p] or, *recompence.*
[q] Ps. 74. 7.
[r] Ho. 13. 5.
† or, *thy name was not called upon them.* ch. 65. 1.
‡ *decked.*
[s] Ps. 144. 5.

2 Wherefore [s] *art thou* red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?

3 I have [t] trodden the winepress alone; and of the people *there was* none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

4 For the day of vengeance *is* in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.

5 And I looked, and [u] *there was* none to help; and I wondered that *there was* none to uphold: therefore mine own [v] arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

6 And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and [x] make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

7 ¶ I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, *and* the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses.

8 For he said, Surely they *are* my people, children *that* will not lie: so he was their Saviour.

9 In [y] all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: [z] in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

10 ¶ But they [a] rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: [b] therefore he was turned to be their enemy, *and* he fought against them.

11 Then he remembered the days of old, Moses, *and* his people, *saying*, Where *is* he that brought them up out of the sea with the [‖] shepherd of his flock? [c] where *is* he that put his holy Spirit within him?

12 That led *them* by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name?

13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, *that* they should not stumble?

14 As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.

15 ¶ Look down from heaven, and behold [d] from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory: where *is* thy zeal and thy strength, [§] the sounding [e] of thy bowels and of thy mercies toward me? are they restrained?

16 Doubtless [f] thou *art* our father, though Abraham [g] be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O LORD, *art* our father, [‖] our redeemer; thy name *is* from everlasting.

17 ¶ O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, *and* [h] hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

18 The people of thy holiness have possessed *it* but a little while: [m] our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary.

19 We are *thine*: thou never barest rule over them; [†] they were not called by thy name.

CHAP. LXIV.

OH that thou wouldest [*] rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that

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[a] the mountains might flow down at thy presence,

2 As *when* [a] the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, *that* the nations may tremble at thy presence!

3 When thou didst terrible things *which* we looked not for, thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at thy presence.

4 For since the beginning of the world [d] *men* have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye † seen, O God, beside thee, *what* he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.

5 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth [f] and worketh righteousness, [g] *those that* remember thee in thy ways: behold, thou art wroth; for we have sinned: [h] in those is continuance, and we shall be saved.

6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all [i] our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

7 And *there is* none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast [k] consumed us, [a] because of our iniquities.

8 But now, O LORD, thou *art* our father; we *are* the clay, [m] and thou our potter; and we all *are* [a] the work of thy hand.

9 ¶ Be not wroth very sore, O LORD, neither remember iniquity for ever: behold, see, we beseech thee, [a] we *are* all thy people.

10 Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.

11 Our [b] holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee, is burned up with fire: and all our pleasant things are laid waste.

12 Wilt thou refrain thyself for these *things*, O LORD? wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict us very sore?

CHAP. LXV.

I [p] AM sought of *them that* asked not *for me*; I am found of *them that* sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation *that* [a] was not called by my name.

2 I [b] have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way *that was* not good, after their own thoughts;

3 A people [d] that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; [f] that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense [§] upon altars of brick;

4 Which [t] remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, [h] which eat swine's flesh, and [i] broth of abominable *things is in* their vessels;

5 Which [k] say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. These *are* a smoke in my † nose, a fire that burneth all the day.

6 Behold, [a] *it is* written before me: [a] I will not keep silence, [r] but will recompense, even recompense into their bosom,

7 Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith the LORD, [t] which have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their bosom.

8 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and *one* saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine [k] elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.

10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and [v] the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me.

11 ¶ But ye *are* they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare [a] a table for that || troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that § number.

12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: [t] because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did choose *that* wherein I delighted not.

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be ashamed:

14 Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and [t] shall howl for † vexation of spirit.

15 And ye shall leave your name [m] for a curse unto [p] my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and [r] call his servants by another name:

16 That [t] he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and [u] he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.

17 ¶ For, behold, I create [x] new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the [a] voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; [a] but the sinner *being* an hundred years old shall be accursed.

21 And [a] they shall build houses, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for [t] as the days of a tree *are* the days of my people, and mine elect shall [a] long enjoy the work of their hands.

23 They shall not labour in vain, [t] nor bring forth for trouble; for [m] they *are* the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.

24 And it shall come to pass, that [p] before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

25 The [a] wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: [m] and dust *shall be* the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

CHAP. LXVI.

THUS saith the LORD, [a] The heaven *is* my throne, and the earth *is* my footstool:

[a] Ju. 5. 5. Mi. 1. 4.
[a] *the fire of melting.*
[b] Ro. 11. 5, 7.
[c] Jos. 7. 24, 26. Ho. 2. 15.
[d] Ps. 31. 19. 1 Co. 2. 9.
† or, *seen a God beside thee, which doeth so for him, &c.*
[e] Eze. 33. 41. 1 Co. 10. 21.
‡ or, *Gad.*
[f] Ac. 10. 35.
§ or, *Meni.*
[g] ch. 26. 8.
[h] Mal. 3. 6.
[i] Pr. 1. 24, &c. Zec. 7. 7. Mat. 21. 34 ...43.
[k] Phi. 3. 9.
|| *melted.*
[a] *by the hand* Job 8. 4.
[l] Mat. 8. 12.
† *breaking.*
[m] Je. 18. 6.
[n] Je. 29. 22. Zec. 8. 13.
[o] Ep. 2. 10.
[p] Mat. 24. 22.
[r] Ac. 11. 26.
[s] Ps. 79. 13.
[t] Je. 4. 2.
[u] De. 6. 13. Ps. 63. 11. Zep. 1. 5.
[v] 2 Ch. 36. 19.
[x] 2 Pe. 3. 13. Re. 21. 1.
‡ *upon the heart.*
[y] Ro. 9. 24.. 26, 30. 10. 20. Ep. 2. 12, 13.
[z] Re. 7. 17.
[a] ch. 65. 19.
[b] Ro. 10. 21.
[c] Ec. 8. 12.
[d] De. 32. 21.
[e] ch. 62. 8. Le. 26. 16. De. 28. 30. Am. 9. 14.
[f] Le. 17. 5.
§ *upon bricks*
[g] De. 18. 11.
[h] ch. 65. 17. Le. 11. 7.
[i] Ps. 99. 12.
|| or, *pieces.*
[a] *make them continue long, or, shall wear out.*
[k] Mat. 9. 11. Lu. 18. 11. Jude 19.
[l] De. 28. 41. Ho. 9. 12.
[m] ch. 61. 9.
† or, *anger.*
[n] De. 32. 34. Mal. 3. 16.
[o] Ps. 50. 3.
[p] Ps. 32. 5. Da. 9. 21.
[r] Je. 16. 18. ch. 11. 6, 7, 9.
[t] Eze. 19. 6.
[u] Ge. 3. 14.
[v] 1 Ki. 8. 27.

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where *is* the house that ye build unto me? and where *is* the place of my rest?

2 For all those *things* hath mine hand made, and all those *things* have been, saith the LORD: [c] but to this *man* will I look, [d] *even* to *him that is* poor and of a contrite spirit, and *that* trembleth at my word.

3 He [e] that killeth an ox *is as if* he slew a man; he that sacrificeth a * lamb, *as if* he [f] cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, *as if he offered* swine's blood; he that † burneth incense, *as if* he blessed an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations.

4 I also will choose their ‡ delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; [g] because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose *that* in which I delighted not.

5 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, [h] Let the LORD be glorified: but [i] he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.

6 A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? *or* shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not * cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut *the womb!* saith thy God.

10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her:

11 That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that ye may milk out, and be delighted with the ‖ abundance of her glory.

12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, [j] I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be [k] borne upon *her* sides, and be dandled upon *her* knees.

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[a] 1 Th. 2. 7.
[b] Jno. 16. 22.
[c] ch. 57. 15. 61. 1.
[d] Ese. 37. 1, &c.
[e] Ps. 34. 18. 51. 17.
[f] Esr. 9. 4. 10. 3. Pr. 28. 14.
[g] ch. 1. 11.
[h] ch. 9. 5. 2 Th. 1. 8.
* or, *kid.*
[i] De. 23. 18.
† *maketh a memorial of* Le. 2. 2.
[k] ch. 27. 1. He. 10. 27.
‡ or, *devices.*
§ or, *one after another.*
[l] ch. 65. 12. Pr. 1. 24. Je. 7. 13.
[m] 1 Co. 3. 20.
[n] Lu. 2. 34.
[o] ch. 5. 19.
[p] 2 Th. 1. 10. Tit. 2. 13.
[q] Mal. 1. 11.
[r] Ro. 15. 16.
‖ or, *coaches.*
* or, *beget.*
[t] 1 Pe. 2. 9. Re. 1. 6.
[u] He. 12. 27, 28. 2 Pe. 3. 13. Re. 21. 1.
[v] Zec. 14. 16.
† *new moon to his new moon, and from sabbath to his sabbath.*
[w] Ps. 65. 2. Jno. 4. 23.
‡ or, *brightness.*
[y] ch. 66. 18.
[z] Mar. 9. 44, 46, 48.
[a] ch. 49. 22.

13 As one [a] whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

14 And when ye see *this*, [b] your heart shall rejoice, and [c] your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known toward his servants, and *his* indignation toward his enemies.

15 For, [d] behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.

16 For by fire and by [e] his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many.

17 They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens [f] behind one *tree* in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together, saith the LORD.

18 For I *know* their works and [g] their thoughts: it shall come, that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and see my glory.

19 And [h] I will set a sign among them, and I will send those that escape of them unto the nations, *to* Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, *to* Tubal, and Javan, *to* the isles afar off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; [i] and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles.

20 And they shall bring all your brethren [k] *for* an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in [l] litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD.

21 And I will also take of them for [m] priests *and* for Levites, saith the LORD.

22 For as [n] the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.

23 And [o] it shall come to pass, *that* from † one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, [p] shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.

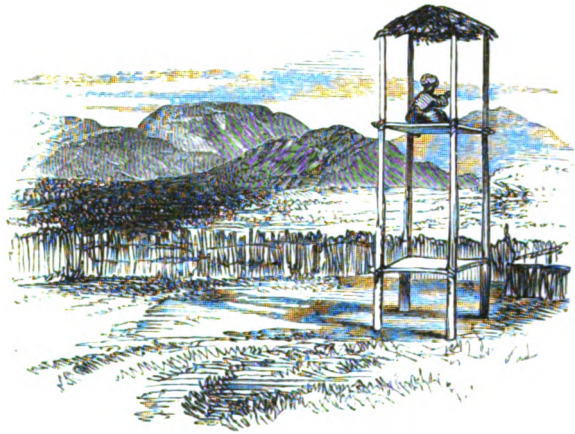
24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their [q] worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 8.—WATCH-BOOTH. Sir John Chardin describes these lodges as places defended from the sun by soda, straw, and leaves, made for the watching the fruits of those places, such as cucumbers, melons, grapes, &c., when they begin to ripen; under which they also sell the produce of those gardens. Dr. Russell observes that these lodges are found even where the garden is surrounded with a wall. These lodges are necessary in the vineyard day and night. In the day the keeper drives off the birds, and in the night he watches against thieves, as well as roving animals, such as jackals and small foxes. In the cucumber plantation the watch was required only at night to prevent the encroachment of thieves. This watch-booth is alluded to in Job xxvii. 18: "He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth that the keeper maketh." The figure is there designed to teach that the fabric erected by ill-gotten wealth shall soon pass away. The idea suggested in Isaiah is, that Jerusalem, alone preserved amidst surrounding desolation—desolation spreading throughout the land—will resemble a temporary lodge in the garden, itself soon to be removed or destroyed. The essential idea, whatever translation is adopted, is that of the solitude, loneliness, and temporary continuance of even Jerusalem, while all around was involved in desolation and ruin. In the watch-booth the watchman is in a state of confined solitude, remaining perpetually at his post. 'Very often,' says a traveller, 'has our travelling party paused on arriving at such melon grounds, to bargain with the watchman for a supply of his refreshing fruit; and, on such occasions, often seeing no object around to a great distance in the plain, but this one man and his solitary shed, we have been most forcibly reminded of the peculiar appropriateness of the image of desolation suggested by the prophet.'

CH. XXII. 16.—SEPULCHRAL CAVES. Sepulchres were commonly hewn out of the rocks. Princes and rich men were accustomed to see them prepared for themselves in their lifetime. Some of these tombs were exceedingly high, that they might be conspicuous. Such sepulchres are still found in Persia. They consist of several tombs, each hewn in a high rock near the top, the front of the rock being adorned with figures in relievo. Some of these tombs are thirty

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WATCH-BOOTH.—*Original Sketch*.—Isa. i. 8.

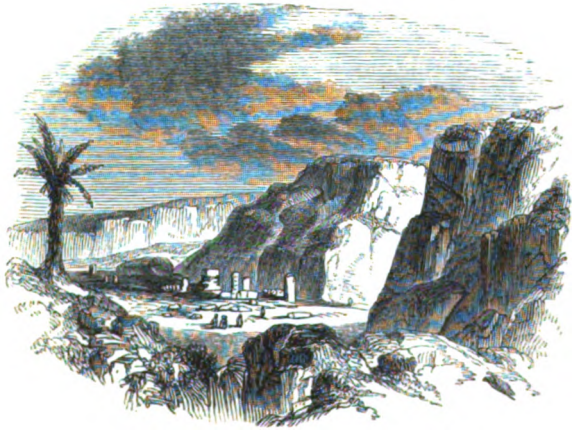


SEPULCHRAL CAVES.—*La Borde*.—Isa. xxii. 16.

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ESAR-HADDON.—*Assyrian Sculptures. British Museum.*—Isa. xxxvii. 38.



BOSTRA—THE ANCIENT BOZRAH.—*La Borde.*—Isa. lxiii. 1.

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TREADING WINE.— *Champollion.*—Isa. lxiii. 3.



VINEYARDS.—Isa. lxv. 21.

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feet from the ground. Large tombs hewn at great cost in the solid rock, and probably some of them earlier than Isaiah's time, are still seen at Jerusalem. We have much light thrown upon the subject by a description given by Stephens, in his Travels in Egypt, Arabia Petræa, and the Holy Land. He passed a night in Petra among the tombs. He says, 'We ascended the valley, and rising to the summit of the rocky rampart, it was almost dark when we found ourselves opposite a range of tombs in the suburbs of the city. Here we dismounted; and, selecting from among them one, which, from its finish and dimensions, must have been the last abode of some wealthy Edomite, we prepared to pass the night within its walls. In the front part of it was a large chamber, about twenty-five feet square, and ten feet high; and behind this was another of smaller dimensions, furnished with receptacles of the dead,—not arranged after the manner of shelves along the wall, as in the catacombs I had seen in Italy and Egypt, but cut lengthways in the rock, like ovens, so as to admit the insertion of the body with the feet foremost. My plans for the morrow being all arranged, the Bedouins stretched themselves out in the outer chamber, while I went within; and getting out a tomb as far back as I could find, I crawled in feet first, and found myself very much in the condition of a man buried alive. I had just room enough to turn round; and the worthy old Edomite for whom the tomb was made never slept in it more quietly than I did.' The passage just illustrated 'contains a severe reproof of the pride, self-confidence, and ostentation of Shebna, and of his expectation that he should be buried where he had built his own tomb. It also contains an implied declaration that he would not be permitted to lie there when he should die, but would be removed to a distant land, to be buried in some less honourable manner.'

CH. XXXVII. 38.—ESAR-HADDON. Esar-haddon was the youngest son of Sennacherib. After the destruction of Sennacherib's army by the angel of God, he returned to Nineveh, where his disappointed ambition vented its rage in exercising the greatest cruelties among his subjects, especially against the Jews and Israelites, of whom he had great numbers massacred every day—ordering their bodies to be left exposed in the streets, and suffering no man to give them burial. In short, the king's savage temper rendered him so insupportable to his own family, that his two eldest sons conspired against him (2 Kings xix. 37), and killed him in the temple of Nisroch, as he was worshipping before the idol of his god Nisroch, as he lay prostrate before him. But these two princes, being obliged, after this parricide, to flee into Armenia, left the kingdom to Esar-haddon, their youngest brother. Esar-haddon, in consequence of the unsettled state of Babylon, and the want of a regular succession at the time, made himself master of that city, and annexed Babylon to his former dominions, reigning over the two united empires thirteen years. After having reunited Syria and Palestine to the Assyrian empire, which had been rent from it in the preceding reign, he entered the land of Israel, where he took captive as many as were left there, and carried them into Assyria, except an inconsiderable number that escaped his pursuit; and, that the country might not become a desert, he sent colonies of idolatrous people, taken out of the countries beyond the Euphrates, to dwell in the cities of Samaria. The prediction of Isaiah was then fulfilled: "*Within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, that it be no more a people.*" This was exactly the space of time that elapsed between the prediction and the event; and the people of Israel did then truly cease to be a visible nation, what was left of them being altogether mixed and confounded with other nations. This prince, having possessed himself of the land of Israel, sent some of his generals with a part of his army into Judea, to reduce that country likewise under his subjection. These generals defeated Manasseh, and, having taken him prisoner, brought him to Esar-haddon, who put him in chains, and carried him with him to Babylon. But Manasseh having afterwards deeply repented of his sins, and humbled himself before God, obtained his liberty and returned to Jerusalem. Meantime, the colonies that had been sent into Samaria, in the room of its ancient inhabitants, were grievously infested with lions. The king of Babylon being told the cause of that calamity was their not worshipping the God of the country, ordered an Israelitish priest to be sent to them from among the captives taken in that country, to teach them the worship of the God of Israel; but these idolaters, contented with admitting the true God amongst their ancient divinities, worshipped him jointly with their false deities. This corrupt worship continued afterwards, and was the source of the aversion entertained by the Jews against the Samaritans. Esar-haddon, after a prosperous reign of thirty-nine years over the Assyrians, and thirteen over the Babylonians, was succeeded by his son Saosduchinus. The portrait given is believed to be that of Esar-haddon.

CH. LXIII. 1.—BOZRAH. Bozrah was for a time the chief city of Idumea, though properly lying within the boundaries of Moab. It is so distinguished in most of the passages of the Old Testament where it is mentioned: see Isa. xxxiv. 6; lxiii. 1; Amos i. 12; Jer. xlix. 13, 22. In Jer. xlviii. 24, Bozrah is named among the cities of Moab. In consequence of the continual wars, incursions, and conquests, which were common among the small kingdoms of that region, the possession of particular cities often passed into different hands. Bozrah was threatened with desolation, Jer. xlix. 13; and it is now a heap of ruins, in the maze of which the modern inhabitants are lost. 'Here and there,' says Lord Lindsay, 'the direction of a street or alley is discernible, and that is all. But amidst the desolation, the ruins of temples, theatres, and palaces, all attest its former magnificence and importance.' Jehovah is here represented as the conqueror of his church's foes: and the sentiment conveyed is, 'that the day that he destroys the foes of his people, is an argument that he can save those who put their trust in him. The same power that destroys a sinner may save a saint; and the destruction of a sinner may be the means of the salvation of his own people.'

CH. LXIII. 3.—TREADING WINE. Wilkinson affords us information respecting the manner of expressing the juice of the grape, as practised among the Egyptians: 'When the grapes were gathered, the bunches were carefully put into deep wicker baskets, which men carried either upon their heads or their shoulders, or slung upon a yoke to the wine-press; but, when intended for eating, they were put like other fruits in flat open baskets, and generally covered with leaves of the palm, vine, and other trees. The wine-press was of different kinds. The most simple consisted merely of a bag, in which the grapes were put, and squeezed by means of two poles turning in contrary directions, a vase being placed below to receive the expressed juice. Another process was this: a bag was placed horizontally between two uprights, connected and strengthened by a horizontal beam at the top. It was so contrived that, by means of a perpendicular rod twisting round a sort of ring, which in twisting acted upon the bag, the juice was expressed, and was received into a vat beneath. The above were hand-presses, and were used in all parts of the country, but principally in lower Egypt, the grapes in the "heads" being generally pressed by the feet. The foot-press was also used in the lower country, and perhaps the same grapes might there pass through the two presses. The cut shews us the form of this press, which was sometimes richly ornamented. It consisted of the lower portion or vat, and the trough upon the men with naked feet trode the fruit, supporting themselves by ropes suspended from the roof. The juice was allowed to run off by a pipe directly to an open tank. After the fermentation was over, the juice was taken out in small vases, and poured into earthenware jars, which were then removed to the wine-house. The following statement of the Rev. J. D. Paxton, in a letter from Beyroot, March 1, 1835, will shew how the modern custom accords with that of the time of Isaiah: 'They have a trough of stone vats, into which the grapes are thrown; and beside these are placed stone troughs, into which the juice flows. Men get in and tread the grapes with their feet. It is hard work, and their clothes are often stained with their juice. The figure found in Scripture taken from this are true to the life.' The juice of the grape must stain the garments of those employed in this business, and give them the appearance of being covered with blood. 'The idea in this passage is, that Jehovah had completely destroyed his foes in Idumea, and had done it by a great slaughter.'

CH. LXV. 21.—VINEYARDS. There are many references to the vine in the sacred writings, and it is evident that it grew plentifully in Palestine. Hence a traveller was permitted to gather and eat grapes in a vineyard as he passed along, Deu. xxiii. 24. The vine was the emblem of all that was excellent, hence the prophets compared the church to a vine or vineyard. In the present state of Palestine the vine must be neglected, for the Mahometans, being forbidden to drink wine, are most zealous to prevent both Christian and Jewish subjects from making it. When the vine was cultivated, the Jews chose the south side of hills for their plantation, gathered out the stones, and hedged in the vineyard with thorns. This will explain Isa. v. 1—6; Ps. lxxx.; Matt. xxi. 33.

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The Book of the Prophet JEREMIAH.

Jeremiah prophesied during the reigns of Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jeconiah, and Zedekiah. The general subjects of his prophecy are the idolatry and wickedness of the Jews, their consequent punishment by the Babylonish captivity, and their restoration; with reference to the Messiah and the gospel covenant.

CHAP. I.

THE words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that *were* in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:

2 To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.

3 It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, [c] unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive [d] in the fifth month.

4 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

5 Before I [e] formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I [f] sanctified thee, *and* I [g] ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

6 Then said I, [h] Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I *am* a child.

7 ¶ But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I *am* a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and [i] whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.

8 Be not afraid of their faces: for [m] I *am* with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

9 Then the LORD put forth his hand, and [n] touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have [o] put my words in thy mouth.

10 See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to [p] root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.

12 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

13 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see [q] a seething pot; and the face thereof *is* § toward the north.

14 Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the [r] north an evil shall [s] break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.

15 For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.

16 And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, [t] who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and [u] worshipped the works of their own hands.

17 ¶ Thou therefore [v] gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I † confound thee before them.

18 For, behold, I have made thee this day [x] a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.

19 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

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[c] ch. 52.12,15.
[d] or, *for thy sake.*
[h] Exo. 16. 8, &c. Ho. 2. 15.
[e] 2 Ki. 25. 8.
[d] Ex. 19. 5, 6.
[e] Ex.33.12,17. Is. 49. 1, 5.
[f] Ja. 1. 18. Re. 14. 4.
[g] Lu.1.15,41. Ga. 1.15,16.
† *gave.*
[h] Ex. 4. 10. Is. 6. 5.
[i] Is. 5. 4.
[k] Nu.22.20,38 Mat. 28. 20. Ac. 20. 27.
[l] 2 Ki. 17. 13.
[m] Jos. 1. 5. Ac. 26. 17. 2Co.1.8..10 2 Ti. 4. 17, 18. He. 13. 6.
[n] Is. 6. 7.
[o] Is. 51. 16. Lu.12.11,12
[p] ch. 18. 7. 2 Co.10. 4,5.
‡ or, *the land of Carmel.*
[r] La. 18. 25. Nu. 35. 33.
[s] Mal. 2 6, 7. Ro. 2. 20.
[t] Hab. 2. 18.
[u] Eze. 11. 3,7. 24. 3.
[v] Exo. 20. 5. Le. 20. 5.
[x] ch. 6. 1.
‖ *be opened.*
[o] or, *over to.*
[z] Mi. 4. 5.
[a] Ps. 115. 4. Is. 37. 19.
[b] Ps. 106. 20. Ro. 1. 23.
[c] Is. 1. 2.
[d] ch. 17. 13. De. 28. 20.
[e] Ac. 7. 41.
[f] Ps. 36. 9. Jno. 4. 14.
[g] Job 38. 3. Lu. 12. 35. 1 Pe. 1. 13.
[h] Ex. 4. 22.
† or, *break to pieces.*
‡ become a spoil?
§ *gave out their voice.*

CHAP. II.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember [a] thee, the kindness of thy [b] youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land *that was* not sown.

3 Israel [d] *was* holiness unto the LORD, *and* [f] the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.

4 Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel:

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, [i] What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, [l] and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?

6 Neither said they, Where *is* the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?

7 And I brought you into [l] a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when ye entered, ye [r] defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.

8 The priests said not, Where *is* the LORD? and they that handle the [s] law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after *things that* [t] do not profit.

9 ¶ Wherefore [v] I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and [x] with your children's children will I plead.

10 For pass [a] over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

11 Hath [z] a nation changed *their* gods, which *are* [a] yet no gods? [b] but my people have changed their glory for *that which* doth not profit.

12 Be [c] astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the LORD.

13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the [d] fountain of living waters, *and* hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

14 ¶ *Is* Israel [h] a servant? *is he* a homeborn *slave?* why is he † spoiled?

15 The young lions roared upon him, *and* § yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.

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16 Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes [o]have broken the crown of thy head.

17 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way?

18 And now what hast thou to do [a] in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?

19 Thine own [b] wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that *it is* an evil *thing* and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, and that my fear *is* not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

20 ¶ For of old time I have broken thy yoke, *and* burst thy bands; and [d] thou saidst, I will not ‡ transgress; when upon every high hill and under every green tree thou wanderest, playing the harlot.

21 Yet I had [e] planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into [f] the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?

22 For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much sope, *yet* [m] thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.

23 How [p] canst thou say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? see thy way in the valley, know what thou hast done: § *thou art* a swift dromedary traversing her ways;

24 ‖ A wild ass [q] used to the wilderness, *that* snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can † turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.

25 Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, § There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.

26 As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,

27 Saying to a stock, Thou *art* my father; and to a stone, Thou hast ‖ brought me forth: for they have turned [r] *their* back unto me, and not *their* face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us.

28 But [s] where *are* thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they [t] can save thee in the time of thy ‡ trouble: for *according to* the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.

29 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the LORD.

30 In vain have I [u] smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword hath [b]devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.

31 ¶ O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, [v] We ‖ are lords; we will come no more unto thee?

32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, *or* a bride her attire? yet my people [x] have forgotten me days without number.

33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

34 Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found it by [o] secret search, but upon all these.

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o or, *feed on thy crown.* De. 33. 20. Is. 9. 8.
a Pr. 26. 13. 1Jno.1.8,10.
b Ho. 5. 13. 12. 1.
c Is. 30. 1, 2.
d Is. 30. 3.
e 2 Ch. 28. 20.
f Is. 5. 9.
† *Saying.*
g De. 24. 4.
h 1 Sa. 12. 10.
‡ or, *serve.*
i Zec. 1. 3.
k Ez. 15. 17. Is. 5. 1, &c. Mar. 12. 1.
l De. 32. 32. Is. 1. 21.
m Eze. 16. 24.
n Job 14. 17. Ho. 13. 12.
o Le. 26. 19. De. 28. 23.
p Pr. 30. 12.
r Eze. 3. 7. Zep. 3. 5.
§ or, *O swift dromedary*
s Pr. 2. 17. Ho. 2. 15.
‖ or, *O wild ass, &c.*
q *taught.*
t Ps. 103. 9. Is. 57. 16.
† *the desire of her heart.*
‡ or, *reverse it.*
§ or, *Is the case desperate?*
u 2 Ki. 17. 13.
‖ or, *begotten me.*
v Eze. 23. 9.
o *the hinder part of the neck.*
x Ju. 10. 14.
† or, *fame.*
y Is. 45. 20.
‡ *evil.*
z 2 Ch. 34. 33.
§ *in falsehood.*
a Is. 1. 5. 9. 13.
b 2 Ch. 36. 16. Mat. 23. 29, &c. Ac. 7. 52. 1 Th. 2. 15.
c Ps. 12. 4.
‖ *have dominion.*
d Ps. 86. 15.
e Ps. 103. 21. Ho. 8. 14.
f De.30.1,&c. Pr. 28. 13.
g *digging.*
g ch. 31. 32. Ho.2.19,20.
h Ro. 11. 5.

35 Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, [c] because thou sayest, I have not sinned.

36 Why [b] gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? [d] thou also shalt be ashamed of Egypt, [e] as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

CHAP. III.

THEY † say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's, [g] shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played the harlot with many lovers; [f] yet return again to me, saith the LORD.

2 Lift up thine eyes unto the high places, and see where thou hast not been lien with. [m] In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou hast polluted the land with thy whoredoms and with thy wickedness.

3 Therefore the [o] showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a [r]whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou *art* [s] the guide of my youth?

5 Will [t] he reserve *his anger* for ever? will he keep *it to* the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done evil things as thou couldest.

6 ¶ The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen *that* which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot.

7 And [w] I said after she had done all these *things*, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw *it*.

8 And I saw, when [v] for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

9 And it came to pass through the †lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.

10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with [a] her whole heart, but § feignedly, saith the LORD.

11 And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

12 ¶ Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; *and* I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I *am* [d] merciful, saith the LORD, *and* I will not keep *anger* for ever.

13 Only [f] acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.

14 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; [g] for I am married unto you; and I will take you [h] one of a city, and

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two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

15 And I will give you [h] pastors according to mine heart, which shall [e] feed you with knowledge and understanding.

16 And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the LORD: [d] neither shall it come ‡ to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit *it*; neither shall § *that* be done any more.

17 At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, [i] to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the ‖imagination of their evil heart.

18 In those days [l] the house of Judah shall walk [o] with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to [m]the land that I have † given for an inheritance unto your fathers.

19 But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a ‡ pleasant land, § a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? and I said, Thou shalt call me, [p] My father; and shalt not turn away † from me.

20 ¶ Surely *as* a wife treacherously departeth from her ‡ husband, so [P] have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.

21 A voice was heard upon [r] the high places, weeping *and* supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, *and* they have forgotten the LORD their God.

22 Return, ye backsliding children, *and* [s] I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou *art* the LORD our God.

23 Truly [t] in vain *is* *salvation hoped for* from the hills, *and from* the multitude of mountains: [u] truly in the LORD our God *is* the salvation of Israel.

24 For [v]shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth; their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters.

25 We lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us: [x] for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and [g] have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

CHAP. IV.

IF thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, [h] return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove.

2 And [i] thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, [m] in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; [n] and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they [P] glory.

3 ¶ For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and [r] sow not among thorns.

4 Circumcise [s] yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.

5 Declare ye in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: cry, gather together, and say,

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[e] ch. 8. 14.
[h] Ep. 4. 11.
[d] or, *strengthen.*
[i] Ac. 20. 28.
† *Nothing.*
[l] 2 Ki. 24. 1. Da. 7. 4.
[o] ch. 25. 9.
[f] Is. 1. 7.
[k] Is. 65. 17.
‡ *upon the heart.*
[a] Is. 22. 12.
§ or, it *be magnified.*
[i] Is. 60. 9.
‖ or, *stubbornness.*
[b] Eze. 14. 9. 2 Th. 2. 11.
[l] Is. 11. 13. Ho. 1. 11.
[o] or, *to.*
[m] Am. 9. 15.
† or, *caused your fathers to possess.*
[n] ch. 31. 1. Eze. 17. 10.
‡ *land of desire.*
§ *an heritage of glory,* or, *beauty.*
‖ or, *a fuller wind than those.*
[o] Is. 63. 16.
[o] *utter judgments.*
† *from after me.*
‡ *friend.*
[P] Is. 48. 8.
[r] Is. 5. 28.
[s] De. 28. 49. Hab. 1. 8.
[t] Is. 13. 2.
[u] Is. 1. 16. Ja. 4. 8.
[v] ch. 3. 16.
[x] Ho. 6. 1. 14. 4.
[y] ch. 5. 15.
[z] Ps. 121. 1, 2.
[a] Ps. 2. 8. 9.
[b] 2 Ki. 23. 1, 4.
[c] Ho. 9. 10.
[d] ch. 2. 17, 19. Ps. 107. 17. Is. 50. 1.
[e] Exr. 9. 7.
[f] Is. 15. 5. Lu. 19. 42.
§ *the walls of my heart.*
[g] ch. 22. 21.
[h] Ps. 42. 7. Eze. 7. 26.
[i] ch. 10. 20.
[k] ch. 3. 1, 22. Joel 2. 12.
[l] De. 10. 20. Is. 65. 16. Zec. 8. 8.
[m] Is. 48. 1.
[n] Ge. 22. 18. Ps. 72. 17. Ga. 3. 8.
[o] Ro. 16. 19.
[P] Is. 45. 25. 1 Co. 1. 31.
[r] Mat. 13. 7. 22.
[s] Ro. 2. 28, 29. Col. 2. 11.
[t] Zep. 1. 3.

Assemble [e] yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities.

6 Set up the standard toward Zion: [e]retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great [f] destruction.

7 The [d] lion is come up from his thicket, and [P] the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place /to make thy land desolate; *and* thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.

8 For this [h] gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from us.

9 And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, *that* the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.

10 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! [b] surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.

11 At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, [m] A dry wind of the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse,

12 *Even* ‖ a full wind from those *places* shall come unto me: now also will I [o]give sentence against them.

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and [n] his chariots *shall be* as a whirlwind: [e] his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.

14 O Jerusalem, [q]wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?

15 For a voice declareth [o]from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.

16 Make ye mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, *that* watchers come [P] from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.

17 As [k]keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because she hath been rebellious against me, saith the LORD.

18 Thy [d] way and thy doings have procured these *things* unto thee; this *is* thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart.

19 ¶ My [f] bowels, my bowels! I am pained at §my very heart; my heart maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

20 Destruction [h] upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are [i] my tents spoiled, *and* my curtains in a moment.

21 How long shall I see the standard, *and* hear the sound of the trumpet?

22 For my people *is* foolish, they have not known me; they *are* sottish children, and they have none understanding: [k] they *are* wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, *it was* without form and void; and the heavens, and they *had* no light.

24 I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly.

25 I beheld, and, lo, *there was* no man, and [l] all the birds of the heavens were fled.

26 I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place *was* a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the LORD, *and* by his fierce anger.

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27 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; [b] yet will I not make a full end.

28 For this [c] shall the earth mourn, and [d] the heavens above be black: because I have spoken *it*, I have purposed *it*, and [e] will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.

29 The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city *shall be* forsaken, and not a man dwell therein.

30 And *when* thou *art* spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, [f] though thou rentest thy [g] face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; [i] *thy* lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life.

31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, *and* the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, *that* bewaileth herself, *that* [k] spreadeth her hands, *saying*, Woe *is* me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.

CHAP. V.

RUN ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, [a] if ye can find a man, [b] if there be *any* that executeth judgment, [c] that seeketh the truth; [d] and I will pardon it.

2 And [e] though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they [f] swear falsely.

3 O LORD, *are* not [g] thine eyes upon the truth? thou hast [h] stricken them, but they have not grieved; thou hast consumed them, *but* [i] they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return.

4 Therefore I said, Surely these *are* poor; they are foolish: for [k] they know not the way of the LORD, *nor* the judgment of their God.

5 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for [l] they have known the way of the LORD, *and* the judgment of their God: but these have altogether broken the yoke, *and* burst the bonds.

6 Wherefore [m] a lion out of the forest shall slay them, [n] *and* a wolf of the [o] evenings shall spoil them, [p] a leopard shall watch over their cities: every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces: because their transgressions are many, *and* their backslidings are [q] increased.

7 ¶ How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and [r] sworn by *them* [s] *that are* no gods: [t] when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.

8 They [u] were *as* fed horses in the morning: every one [v] neighed after his neighbour's wife.

9 Shall I not visit for these *things*? saith the LORD: [w] and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

10 ¶ Go [x] ye up upon her walls, and destroy; but make not a full end: take away her battlements; for they *are* not the LORD'S.

11 For [y] the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very treacherously against me, saith the LORD.

12 They [z] have belied the LORD, and said, [a] *It is* not he; neither shall evil come upon us; [b] neither shall we see sword nor famine:

13 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word *is* not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

14 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speak this word, behold, I will make my words in thy mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.

15 Lo, I will bring a [c] nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: it *is* a mighty nation, it *is* an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither understandest what they say.

16 Their quiver *is* as an open sepulchre, they *are* all mighty men.

17 And they shall eat up thine [d] harvest, and thy bread, *which* thy sons and thy daughters should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees: they shall impoverish thy fenced cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword.

18 Nevertheless in those days, saith the LORD, I will not make a full end with you.

19 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when ye shall say, [e] Wherefore doeth the LORD our God all these *things* unto us? then shalt thou answer them, Like as ye have [f] forsaken me, and served strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve strangers in a land *that is* not your's.

20 Declare this in the house of Jacob, and publish it in Judah, saying,

21 Hear now this, O [g] foolish people, and without understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not:

22 Fear [h] ye not me? saith the LORD: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed the sand *for* the [i] bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?

23 But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.

24 Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear the LORD our God, [k] that giveth rain, both the [l] former and the latter, in his season: [m] he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.

25 ¶ Your [n] iniquities have turned away these *things*, and your sins have withholden good *things* from you.

26 For among my people are found wicked *men*: they [o] lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

27 As a [p] cage is full of birds, so *are* their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

28 They are waxen [q] fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not [r] the cause, the cause of the fatherless, [s] yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.

29 Shall [t] I not visit for these *things*? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

30 ¶ [u] A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land;

31 The prophets prophesy [v] falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people [w] love *to have it so*: and what will ye do in the end thereof?

CHAP. VI.

O YE children of Benjamin, gather yourselves to flee out of the midst of Jerusalem,

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[a] ch. 14. 13.
[b] ch. 46. 28.
[c] Ho. 4. 3.
[d] Is. 5. 30. 50. 3. Lu. 23. 44.
[e] Nu. 23. 19.
[f] Is. 5. 26.
1 Co. 14. 21.
[g] 2 Ki. 9. 30.
[i] *eyes.*
[k] Le. 26. 16. De. 28. 31, 33
[l] La. 1. 2, 19.
[m] Is. 1. 15.
[n] ch. 13. 22. 16. 10. De. 29. 24, &c. 1 Ki. 9. 8, 9.
[o] De. 28. 49.
[p] Ese. 22. 30.
[q] Ps. 12. 1.
[r] 2 Th. 2. 10.
[s] Ge. 18. 26.
[t] Tit. 1. 16.
[u] Mat. 13. 14. Jno. 12. 40. Ac. 28. 26. Ro. 11. 8.
[w] ch. 7. 9.
† *heart.* Ho. 7. 11.
[a] 2 Ch. 16. 9.
[b] Is. 1. 5.
[c] Ro. 15. 4.
[d] Zep. 3. 2.
[e] Job 28. 10. Ps. 104. 9.
[f] Jno. 7. 48.
[g] Mi. 3. 1.
[h] Ps. 147. 8. Mat. 5. 45. Ac. 14. 17.
[i] De. 11. 14. Joel 2. 23.
[k] Ps. 2. 3.
[l] Ge. 6. 22.
[m] ch. 4. 7.
[n] Hab. 1. 8.
‡ or, *deserts.*
[o] ch. 3. 3.
[p] Ho. 13. 7.
§ or, *pry as fowlers lie in wait.*
[q] Pr. 1. 11, 17, 18. Hab. 1. 15.
‖ *strong.*
[r] or, *coop.*
[s] Jos. 23. 7.
[t] 1 Co. 8. 4. Ga. 4. 8.
[u] De. 32. 15.
[v] Ps. 17. 10.
[w] Is. 1. 23. Zec. 7. 10.
[x] Ese. 22. 11.
[y] Job 12. 6. Ps. 73. 12.
[z] ch. 13. 27.
[a] Mal. 2. 5.
[b] ch. 44. 22.
† or, *astonishment and Aithness.*
[c] ch. 39. 8.
[d] Ese. 13. 6.
‡ or, *take into their hands.*
[e] Mi. 2. 11.
[f] ch. 3. 20.
[g] 2 Ch. 36. 16.
[h] Is. 28. 15.

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and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and set up a sign of fire in [c] Beth-haccerem: [b] for evil appeareth out of the north, and great destruction.

2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a [a] comely and delicate *woman*.

3 The shepherds with their flocks shall come unto her; [e] they shall pitch *their* tents against her round about; they shall feed every one in his place.

4 Prepare [d] ye war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe unto us! for the day goeth away, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out.

5 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.

6 ¶ For thus hath the LORD of hosts said, Hew ye down trees, and [†] cast a mount against Jerusalem: this *is* the city to be visited; she *is* wholly [g] oppression in the midst of her.

7 As [h] a fountain casteth out her waters, so she casteth out her wickedness: [i] violence and spoil is heard in her; before me continually *is* grief and wounds.

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest [l] my soul depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall throughly glean the remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer into the baskets.

10 To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? behold, their [p] ear *is* uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, [r] the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.

11 Therefore I am full of the fury of the LORD; I am weary with holding in: I will pour it out upon the children abroad, and upon the assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with *him that is* full of days.

12 And [t] their houses shall be turned unto others, *with their* fields and wives together: for I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD.

13 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one *is* given to [u] covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

14 They have [v] healed also the [‖] hurt *of the daughter* of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when *there is* no peace.

15 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the time *that* I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

16 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the [k] old paths, where *is* the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find [d] rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk *therein*.

17 Also I set [e] watchmen over you, *saying*, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

18 ¶ Therefore hear ye nations, and know, O congregation, what *is* among them.

19 Hear, [h] O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, *even* [i] the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my law, but rejected it.

20 To [l] what purpose cometh there to me incense [m] from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt offerings *are* not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will lay stumblingblocks before this people, and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish.

22 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, a people cometh from the north country, and a great nation shall be raised from the sides of the earth.

23 They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they *are* cruel, and have no mercy; their voice [e] roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.

24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: [f] anguish hath taken hold of us, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.

25 Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword of the enemy *and* fear *is* on every side.

26 ¶ O daughter of my people, gird *thee* with sackcloth, [k] and wallow thyself in ashes: [m] make thee mourning, *as for* an only son, most bitter lamentation: for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.

27 I have set thee *for* a tower *and* [n] a fortress among my people, that thou mayest know and try their way.

28 They *are* all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: *they are* [o] brass and iron; they *are* all corrupters.

29 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.

30 § Reprobate [p] silver shall *men* call them, because the LORD hath rejected them

CHAP. VII.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Stand [a] in the gate of the LORD's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all *ye of* Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.

3 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, [b] Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.

4 Trust [c] ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, *are* these.

5 For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour;

6 *If* ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, [d] neither walk after other gods to your hurt:

7 Then [e] will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers for ever and ever.

8 ¶ Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.

9 Will [f] ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and [g] walk after other gods whom ye know not;

10 And [h] come and stand before me in this house, [o] which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations?

11 Is [m] this house, which is called by my name, become [p] a den of robbers in

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[a] Ne. 3. 14.
[b] ch. 1. 14.
[c] or, *dwelling at home.*
[d] 2 Ki. 25. 1, 4. Lu. 19. 43.
[e] ch. 51. 27. Joel 3. 9.
[f] Is. 5. 30.
[†] or, *pour out the engine of shot.*
[f] ch. 49. 24. 50. 43.
[g] Ja. 5. 1..5.
[h] Is. 57. 20.
[i] Ps. 55. 9..11. Eze. 7. 11, 23.
[k] ch. 25. 34. Mi. 1. 10.
[l] Eze. 23. 18. Ho. 9. 12.
[‡] *be loosed*, or, *disjointed.*
[m] Zec. 12. 10.
[n] ch. 15. 20.
[o] Eze. 22. 18.
[p] Ex. 6. 12. Ac. 7. 51.
[r] ch. 20. 8. Lu. 11. 45. Jno. 7. 7. 9. 40. 2 Ti. 4. 3.
[§] or, *Refuse silver.*
[t] Is. 1. 22.
[t] De. 28. 30.
[u] ch. 28. 2.
[v] ch. 18. 11. 26. 13. Mat. 3. 8..10 Ja. 4. 8.
[w] Is. 56. 11. Mi. 3. 5, 11. Eze. 13. 10. 2 Pe. 2. 1, 18, 19.
[‖] *bruise*, or, *breach.*
[x] Mi. 3. 11.
[a] De. 8. 19.
[b] ch. 18. 15. Is. 8. 20. Mal. 4. 4. Lu. 16. 29.
[c] Mi. 4. 4.
[d] Mat. 11. 29.
[e] Is. 21. 11. 59. 1. Eze. 3. 17. Hab. 2. 1.
[f] 1 Ki. 18. 21. Ho. 4. 1, 2.
[g] Ex. 20. 3.
[h] Is. 1. 2.
[i] Pr. 1. 31.
[k] Eze. 23. 39.
[o] *whereupon my name is called.*
[l] Ps. 40. 6. 50. 7..9. Is. 1. 11. 66. 3 Am. 5. 21. Mi. 6. 6, &c.
[m] Is. 56. 7.
[n] Is. 60. 6.
[p] Mat. 21. 13.

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your eyes? Behold, even I have seen *it*, saith the LORD.

12 But go ye now unto [b] my place which *was* in Shiloh, [c] where I set my name at the first, and see [d] what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel.

13 And now, because ye have done all these works, saith the LORD, and I spake unto you, [h] rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I [i] called you, but ye answered not;

14 Therefore will I do unto *this* house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh.

15 And I will cast you out of my sight, [l] as I have cast out all your brethren, *even* the whole seed of Ephraim.

16 Therefore [m] pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for [n] I will not hear thee.

17 ¶ Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?

18 The [r] children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to make cakes to the † queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

19 Do [s] they provoke me to anger? saith the LORD: *do they* not *provoke* themselves to the confusion of their own faces?

20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched.

21 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [x] Put your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.

22 For [a] I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning † burnt offerings or sacrifices:

23 But this thing commanded I them, saying, [d] Obey my voice, and [b] I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.

24 But [c] they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but [d] walked in the counsels *and* in the § imagination of their evil heart, and ‖ went backward, and not forward.

25 Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day I have even [f] sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending *them:*

26 Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but [i] hardened their neck: [k] they did worse than their fathers.

27 Therefore [l] thou shalt speak all these words unto them; but they will not hearken to thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.

28 But thou shalt say unto them, This *is* a nation that obeyeth not the voice of the LORD their God, nor receiveth ‡ correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.

29 ¶ Cut [o] off thine hair, *O Jerusalem*, and cast *it* away, and take up a lamentation on high places; for the LORD hath rejected and forsaken the generation of his wrath.

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[a] 2 Ki. 21. 4, 7. 2 Ch. 33. 4, 5. Ezek. 7. 20. Da. 9. 27.
[b] Jos. 18. 1. Ju. 18. 31.
[c] De. 12. 11.
[d] 1 Sa. 4. 10, 11.
[h] 2 Ki. 23. 10.
[f] Ps. 106. 38.
[g] De. 17. 3.
[i] 2 Ch. 36. 15. *upon.*
[l] Fr. 1. 24. Is. 65. 12. 66. 4.
[k] Ezek. 6. 5.
[l] 2 Ki. 17. 23.
[m] Ex. 32. 10.
[n] Is. 24. 7, 8. Ezek. 26. 13. Ho. 2. 11.
[r] Re. 18. 23.
[s] ch. 7. 19.
[p] Le. 26. 33. Is. 1. 7. 3. 26.
[r] ch. 44. 17, 19.
† or, *frame*, or, *workmanship of heaven.*
[s] De. 32. 16, 21
[t] 2 Ki. 23. 5. Ezek. 8. 16.
[u] ch. 22. 19.
[v] 2 Ki. 9. 36. Ps. 83. 10.
[x] Is. 1. 11. Ho. 8. 13. Am. 5. 21.
[y] Job 3 21, 22. 7. 15, 16. Re. 9. 6.
[z] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ps. 51. 16, 17. Ho. 6. 6.
[a] *the matter of.*
[a] Ex. 15. 26. De. 6. 3.
[b] Ex. 19. 5. Le. 26. 12.
[c] Ps. 81. 11, 12
[d] De. 29. 19.
§ or, *stubbornness.*
‖ *were.*
[e] 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[f] 2 Ch. 36. 15.
[g] Is. 1. 3.
[h] Ca. 2. 12.
[i] Ne. 9. 17, 29.
[k] ch. 16. 12.
[l] Eze. 2. 7.
[m] Ro. 2. 17.
[n] or, *the false pen of the scribes worketh for falsehood,* Is. 10. 1.
† or, *Have they been ashamed,* &c.
‡ or, *instruction.*
§ *the wisdom of what thing.*
[n] De. 28. 30. Am. 5. 11. Zep. 1. 13.
[o] Job 1. 20. Is. 15. 2. Mi. 1. 16.
[p] Is. 56. 11.

30 For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, saith the LORD: [e] they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to pollute it.

31 And they have built the [f] high places of Tophet, which *is* in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to [f] burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; [g] which I commanded *them* not, neither came it [h] into my heart.

32 ¶ Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: [k] for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.

33 And the carcases of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray *them* away.

34 Then will I cause to [m] cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for [p] the land shall be desolate.

CHAP. VIII.

AT that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves:

2 And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and [t] whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, [u] nor be buried; they shall be for [v] dung upon the face of the earth.

3 And [y] death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 ¶ Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

5 Why *then* is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

6 I [a] hearkened and heard, *but* they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

7 Yea, [c] the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and [h] the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of the LORD.

8 How do ye say, We *are* wise, [m] and the law of the LORD *is* with us? Lo, certainly [n] in vain made he *it;* the pen of the scribes *is* in vain.

9 † The wise *men* are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and § what wisdom *is* in them?

10 Therefore [n] will I give their wives unto others, *and* their fields to them that shall inherit *them:* for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to [p] covetousness, from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

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11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, [b] Peace, peace; when *there is* no peace.

12 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

13 ¶ I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: *there shall be* no grapes [c] on the vine, nor figs on the [d] fig tree, and the leaf shall fade; and *the things that* I have given them shall pass away from them.

14 Why do we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be silent there: for the LORD our God hath put us to silence, and given us water of [†] gall to drink, because we have sinned against the LORD.

15 We looked for peace, but no good *came;* and for a time of health, and behold trouble!

16 The snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and [§] all that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.

17 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which *will* not *be* [h] charmed, and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.

18 ¶ *When* I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart *is* faint [e] in me.

19 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of [†] them that dwell in [‡] a far country: *Is* not the LORD in Zion? *is* not her king in her? Why have they [k] provoked me to anger with their graven images, *and* with strange vanities?

20 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.

21 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt; I am [r] black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.

22 *Is there* no [s] balm in Gilead; *is there* no physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people [t] recovered?

CHAP. IX.

OH [§] that [u] my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

2 Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they *be* all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.

3 And [x] they bend their tongues *like* their bow *for* lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they [y] know not me, saith the LORD.

4 Take [z] ye heed every one of his [‖] neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.

5 And they will [a] deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, *and* weary themselves to commit iniquity.

6 Thine habitation *is* in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith the LORD.

7 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, [c] I will melt them, and try them; [e] for how shall I do for the daughter of my people?

8 Their tongue *is as* an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: *one* speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but [e] in heart he layeth [†] his wait.

9 ¶ Shall I not visit them for these *things?* saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

10 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the [§] habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are [‖] burned up, so that none can pass through *them;* neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; [‖] both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.

11 And I will make Jerusalem [e] heaps, *and* [f] a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah [‡] desolate, without an inhabitant.

12 ¶ Who [g] is the wise man, that may understand this? and *who is he* to whom the mouth of the LORD hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth *and* is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through?

13 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein;

14 But have walked after the [‖] imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, [i] which their fathers taught them:

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will [k] feed them, *even* this people, [l] with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.

16 I will [e] scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: [f] and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.

17 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Consider ye, and call for [e] the mourning women, that they may come; and send for cunning *women*, that they may come:

18 And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.

19 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because [m] our dwellings have cast *us* out.

20 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O ye women, and let your ear receive the word of his mouth, and teach your daughters wailing, and every one her neighbour lamentation.

21 For death is come up into our windows, *and* is entered into our palaces, to cut off the children from without, *and* the young men from the streets.

22 Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and none shall gather *them.*

23 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, [n] Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, let not the rich *man* glory in his riches:

24 But [o] let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I *am* the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: [p] for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD.

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[a] Ho. 11. 8.
[b] Eze. 13. 10.
[c] *in the midst of him.*
[†] or, *wait for him.*
[‡] or, *In gathering I will consume.*
[d] Is. 5. 1, &c. Joel 1. 7.
[§] or, *pastures*
[d] Mat. 21. 19. Lu. 13. 6, &c
[‖] or, *desolate.*
[e] *from the four even to, &c.*
[e] Is. 23. 9.
[†] or, *poison.*
[f] Is. 13. 22.
[‡] *desolation.*
[g] Ps. 107. 43. Ho. 14. 9.
[§] *the fulness thereof.*
[h] Ps. 58. 4, 5. Ec. 10. 11.
[‖] or, *stubbornness.*
[i] Ga. 1. 14.
[e] *upon.*
[†] *the country of them that are far off.*
[k] Ps 80. 5.
[l] La. 3. 15, 19.
[m] Is. 39. 3.
[n] De. 32. 21. Is. 1. 4.
[e] Le. 26. 33. De. 28. 64.
[p] ch. 44. 27. Eze. 5. 2, 12.
[r] Joel 2. 6. Na. 2. 10.
[s] 2 Ch. 36. 23. Job 3. 8. Ec. 12. 5. Am. 5. 16. Mat. 9. 23.
[t] Ge. 37. 35. 43. 11.
[‡] *gone up.*
[§] *Who will give my head, &c.*
[u] Is. 22. 4. La. 2. 11. 3. 48.
[x] Le. 18. 28. 20. 22.
[y] Ps. 64. 3. Is. 59. 4, 13, 15
[z] 1 Sa. 2. 12. Ho. 4. 1.
[a] Mi. 7. 5, 6.
[‖] or, *friend.*
[c] Ec. 9. 11. Ro. 1. 22. 1 Co. 3. 18. 20. Ja. 3. 14, 15.
[e] or, *mock.*
[b] 1 Co. 1. 31. 2 Co. 10. 17. Ga. 6. 14. Phi. 3. 3.
[e] Mi. 6. 8.
[d] Is. 1. 25. Mal. 3. 3.

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25 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I [a] will [o] punish all *them which are* circumcised with the uncircumcised;

26 Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all *that are* [†] in the [e] utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all *these* nations *are* uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel *are* [f] uncircumcised in the heart.

CHAP. X.

HEAR ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:

2 Thus saith the LORD, [g] Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.

3 For the [‡] customs of the people *are* vain: for [h] *one* cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the ax.

4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.

5 They *are* upright as the palm tree, [m] but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also *is it* in them to do good.

6 Forasmuch as *there is* none [o] like unto thee, O LORD; thou *art* great, and thy name *is* great in might.

7 Who [p] would not fear thee, O King of nations? for [||] to thee doth it appertain: forasmuch as among all the wise *men* of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, *there is* none like unto thee.

8 But they are [o] altogether [r] brutish and foolish: the stock *is* a doctrine of vanities.

9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and [s] gold from Uphaz, the work of the workman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple *is* their clothing: they *are* all the work of cunning *men*.

10 But the LORD *is* the [†] true God, he *is* [t] the living God, and an [‡] everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.

11 § Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, *even* [y] they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens.

12 He [z] hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and [b] hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion.

13 When he uttereth his voice, *there is* a [o] multitude of waters in the heavens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings [†] with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.

14 Every man § is [d] brutish in *his* knowledge: every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image *is* falsehood, and *there is* no breath in them.

15 They *are* vanity, *and* the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

16 The [f] portion of Jacob *is* not like them: for he *is* the former of all *things*; and [h] Israel *is* the rod of his inheritance: The LORD of hosts *is* his name.

17 ¶ Gather [i] up thy wares out of the land, O [‖] inhabitant of the fortress.

18 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will [k] sling out the inhabitants of the land

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[a] Exe. 6. 10.
[b] Ro. 2. 8, 9.
[o] *visit upon.*
[e] Ps. 77. 10.
[d] Mi. 7. 9.
[†] *cut into corners,* or, *having the corners of their hair polled.*
[e] ch. 49. 32.
[f] Exe. 44. 7. Ro. 2. 28, 29.
[g] Le. 18. 3.
[‡] *statutes,* or, *ordinances are vanity.*
[h] Is. 44. 9, &c. 45. 20.
[i] Pr. 16. 1. 20. 24.
[k] Ps. 6. 1. 38. 1.
[§] *diminish me.*
[l] Ps. 79. 6.
[m] Ps. 115. 5. Hab. 2. 19. 1 Co. 12. 2.
[n] Job 18. 21. 1 Th. 4. 5. 2 Th. 1. 8.
[o] Ex. 15. 11.
[p] Re. 15. 4.
[||] or, *it liketh thee.*
[o] *in one,* or, *at once.*
[r] Ro. 1. 21, 22.
[s] De. 27. 25. Ga. 3. 10.
[t] Da. 10. 5.
[u] De. 4. 20.
[†] *God of truth.* Ps. 31. 5.
[x] 1 Th. 1. 9.
[‡] *king of eternity.*
[§] In the Chaldean language.
[||] *Amen.* De. 27. 15.. 26.
[y] Is. 2. 18. Zec. 13. 2.
[z] Ge. 1. 1, 6, 9.
[a] Ro. 2. 13. Ja. 1. 22.
[b] Is. 40. 22.
[o] or, *noise.*
[c] ch. 35. 15.
[†] or, *for rain.*
[‡] or, *stubbornness.*
[§] or, *is more brutish than to know.*
[d] Pr. 30. 2.
[e] Exe. 22. 25. Ho. 6. 9.
[f] Exe. 20. 18.
[g] Ps. 16. 5. 73. 26. La. 3. 24.
[h] De. 32. 9. Ps. 74. 2.
[i] ch. 6. 1. Exe. 12. 3, &c
[||] *inhabitress*
[k] 1 Sa. 25. 29.

at this once, and will distress them, [o] that they may find *it so*.

19 ¶ Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous: but I said, [o] Truly this *is* a grief, and [d] I must bear it.

20 My tabernacle is spoiled, and all my cords are broken: my children *are* gone forth of me, and they *are* not: *there is* none to stretch forth my tent any more, and to set up my curtains.

21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.

22 Behold, the noise of the bruit is come, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah desolate, *and* a den of dragons.

23 ¶ O LORD, I know that the [i] way of man *is* not in himself: *it is* not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

24 O LORD, [k] correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou [§] bring me to nothing.

25 Pour [l] out thy fury upon the heathen [m] that know thee not, and upon the families that call not on thy name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.

CHAP. XI.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; [p] Cursed *be* the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant,

4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, [q] from the iron furnace, saying, [r] Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

5 That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as *it is* this day. Then answered I, and said, [‡] So be it, O LORD.

6 Then the LORD said unto me, Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, Hear ye the words of this covenant, [s] and do them.

7 For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day *that* I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, [t] rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.

8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in the [i] imagination of their evil heart: therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded *them* to do; but they did *them* not.

9 And the LORD said unto me, [s] A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

10 They are turned back to [f] the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words; and they went after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers.

11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon them,

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which they shall not be able to [e] escape; and [f] though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them.

12 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all in the time of their [†] trouble.

13 For *according to* the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Judah; and *according to* the number of the streets of Jerusalem have [‡] ye set up altars to *that* [§] shameful thing, *even* altars to burn incense unto Baal.

14 Therefore [e] pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear *them* in the time that they cry unto me for their [†] trouble.

15 What [i] hath [*] my beloved to do in mine house, *seeing* she hath [l] wrought lewdness with many, and [k] the holy flesh is passed from thee? [||] when thou doest evil, then thou [†] rejoicest.

16 The LORD called thy name, [k] A green olive tree, fair, *and* of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For the LORD of hosts, [m] that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.

18 ¶ And the LORD hath given me knowledge *of it*, and I know *it*: then thou shewedst me their doings.

19 But I *was* like a lamb *or* an ox *that* is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, *saying*, Let us destroy the [§] tree with the fruit thereof, [t] and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered.

20 But, O LORD of hosts, that judgest righteously, that [u] triest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying, [v] Prophesy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will [w] punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

23 And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, *even* [x] the year of their visitation.

CHAP. XII.

RIGHTEOUS [a] *art* thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: yet [†] let me talk with thee of *thy* judgments: *Wherefore* doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that deal very treacherously?

2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they [‡] grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: [‡] thou *art* near in their mouth, and far from their reins.

3 But thou, O LORD, [b] knowest me: thou hast seen me, and tried mine heart [§] toward thee: pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

4 How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein? [c] the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see our last end.

5 ¶ If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and *if* in the land of peace, *wherein* thou trustedst, *they wearied thee*, then how wilt thou do in [d] the swelling of Jordan?

6 For even thy brethren, and the house of thy father, even they have dealt treacherously with thee; yea, they [‡] have called a multitude after thee: [d] believe them not, though they speak [||] fair words unto thee.

7 ¶ I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage; I have given [e] the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies.

8 Mine heritage is unto me as a [e] speckled bird, the birds round about *are* against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, [†] come to [f] devour.

9 Many [m] pastors have destroyed [n] my vineyard, they have [e] trodden my portion under foot, they have made my [‡] pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

11 They have made it desolate, *and being* desolate it mourneth unto me; the whole land is made desolate, because [f] no man layeth *it* to heart.

12 The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness: for the sword of the LORD shall devour from the *one* end of the land even to the *other* end of the land: no flesh shall have peace.

13 They [g] have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns: they have put themselves to pain, *but* shall not profit: and [§] they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD against all mine evil neighbours, that [n] touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit: Behold, I will [o] pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

15 And [†] it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, [a] and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.

16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear by my name, The LORD liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal; then shall they be [b] built in the midst of my people.

17 But if they will not [d] obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XIII.

THUS [g] saith the LORD unto me, Go and get thee a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins, and put it not in water.

2 So I [*] got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put *it* on my loins.

3 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is* upon thy loins, and arise, go to Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock.

5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.

6 And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me, Arise, go to

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[e] *go forth of.*
[a] Ho. 4. 3.
[b] Pr. 1. 28. Is. 1. 15.
[†] *evil.*
[c] en. 49. 19. Ho. 9. 10. Am. 3. 15. 1 Ch. 12. 15.
[‡] or, *cried after thee fully.*
[§] *shame,* Ho. 9. 10.
[d] Pr. 26. 25.
[||] *good things*
[e] Ex. 32. 10. 1 Jno. 5. 16.
[*] *the love.*
[†] *evil.*
[i] *Is to my beloved in my house?*
[f] Ps. 50. 16. Is. 1. 11, &c.
[g] Eze. 15. 25. &c.
[§] *giveth out his voice,* or, *yelleth.*
[h] Hag. 2. 12. 14. Tit. 1. 15.
[||] or, *when thy evil is.*
[e] or, *taloned.*
[i] Pr. 2. 14.
[k] Ps. 52. 8. Ho. 11. 17.
[†] or, *cause them to come.*
[l] Is. 56. 9.
[m] ch. 6. 3.
[n] Is. 5. 5.
[o] Is. 53. 18.
[‡] *portion of desire.*
[p] Is. 5. 2.
[r] Is. 42. 25.
[s] De. 28. 38. Hag. 1. 6.
[§] *stalk with his bread.*
[||] or, *ye.*
[t] Ps. 83. 4.
[u] Zec. 2. 8.
[v] 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Ps. 7. 9. Re. 2. 23.
[w] De. 30. 3.
[x] Eze. 28. 25.
[a] Is. 30. 10. Am. 7. 12, 16 Mi. 2. 6.
[a] Am. 9. 14.
[e] *visit upon.*
[b] Ep. 2. 20, 21. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[c] Lu. 19. 44.
[d] Is. 60. 12.
[e] Ps. 51. 4.
[†] or, *let me reason the cause with thee.*
[f] Job 12. 6. Ps. 37. 1, 35. 73. 3, &c. Hab. 1. 4. Mal. 3. 15.
[g] He. 1. 1.
[h] Jno. 15. 14.
[‡] *go on.*
[i] Mar. 7. 6.
[k] Ps. 139. 1.
[§] *saith thus.*

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Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the girdle was marred, [b] it was profitable for nothing.

8 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner [c] will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.

10 This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the [†] imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.

11 For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD; that [d] they might be unto me for a people, and [e] for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear.

12 ¶ Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine?

13 Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, [m] with drunkenness.

14 And [n] I will dash them [§] one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, [‖] but destroy them.

15 ¶ Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.

16 Give [p] glory to the LORD your God, before he cause [r] darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye [s] look for light, he turn it into [t] the shadow of death, *and* make *it* gross darkness.

17 But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for *your* pride; and [x] mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the LORD's flock is carried away captive.

18 Say unto [y] the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down: for your [†] principalities shall come down, *even* the crown of your glory.

19 The cities of the south shall be shut up, and none shall open *them*: Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them [a] that come from the north: where *is* the flock *that* was given thee, thy beautiful flock?

21 What wilt thou say when he shall [§] punish thee? for thou hast taught them *to be* captains, *and* as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?

22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, [c] Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are [‡] thy skirts discovered, *and* thy heels [‖] made bare.

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? [h] *then* may ye also do good, that are [*] accustomed to do evil.

24 Therefore will I scatter them [i] as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the wilderness.

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[a] La. 1. 8. Eze 23. 29. Ho. 2. 10.
[b] Mat. 5. 13.
[c] ch. 2. 20. Is 65. 7. Eze. 6. 13.
[d] Le. 26. 19.
[e] *after when yet?*
[†] or, *stubbornness.*
[‡] *the words of the dearths*, or, *restraints.*
[a] Is. 3. 26.
[f] 1 Sa. 5. 12.
[g] Ex. 19. 5.
[h] ch. 33. 9.
[i] 2 Sa. 15. 30.
[k] ch. 2. 24.
[l] Ps. 25. 11. Ep. 1. 6.
[m] Is. 51. 17, 21. 63. 6.
[n] Ps. 2. 9.
[§] *a man against his brother.*
[o] ch. 17. 13. Ac. 28. 20. 1 Ti. 1. 1.
[‖] *from destroying them.*
[p] Jos. 7. 19.
[r] Is. 5. 30. 8. 22. Am. 8. 9.
[s] Is. 59. 1.
[t] Ex. 29. 45. Le. 26. 11. 2 Co. 6. 16. Re. 21. 3.
[u] Is. 59. 9.
[x] *thy name is called upon us.* Da. 9. 18, 19.
[y] Ps. 44. 19.
[z] Ge. 28. 15. Ps. 27. 9. He. 13. 5.
[a] La. 1. 2, 16. 2. 18.
[b] Ho. 8. 13.
[c] ch. 22. 28. 2 Ki. 24. 12.
[d] Ex. 32. 10.
[†] or, *head tires.*
[e] Is. 1. 15. Eze. 8 18.
[f] ch. 9. 16.
[g] ch. 6. 22.
[h] *peace of truth.*
[§] *visit upon.*
[i] ch. 16. 10.
[j] Is. 3. 17. 47. 2, 3. Eze. 16. 37 39. Na. 3. 5.
[‖] or, *shall be violently taken away*
[k] ch. 5. 12, 13.
[l] Mat. 19. 24.
[*] *taught.*
[i] Ps. 1. 4. Ho. 13. 3.

25 This *is* thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD; because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

26 Therefore [g] will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

27 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, *and* thine abominations [i] on the hills in the fields. Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? [k] when *shall it* once *be?*

CHAP. XIV.

THE word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning [l] the dearth.

2 Judah mourneth, and [m] the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and [n] the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.

3 And their nobles have sent their little ones to the waters: they came to the pits, *and* found no water; they returned with their vessels empty; they were ashamed and confounded, [o] and covered their heads.

4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

5 Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook *it*, because there was no grass.

6 And [p] the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like dragons; their eyes did fail, because *there was* no grass.

7 ¶ O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou *it* [q] for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.

8 O [r] the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* turneth aside to tarry for a night?

9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man [s] *that* cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, [t] *art* in the midst of us, and [u] we are called by thy name; [w] leave us not.

10 ¶ Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; [x] he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.

11 Then said the LORD unto me, [y] Pray not for this people for *their* good.

12 When [z] they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them: but [a] I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence.

13 ¶ Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you [†] assured peace in this place.

14 Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, [b] yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.

16 And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of

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Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword; [a] and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.

17 ¶ Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; [b] Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: [c] for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.

18 If I go forth into [d] the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest † go about into a land that they know not.

19 Hast [f] thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul lothed Zion? why hast thou smitten us, and [h] *there is* no healing for us? we looked for peace, and *there is* no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble!

20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, *and* the iniquity of our fathers: for [k] we have sinned against thee.

21 Do not abhor *us*, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: [l] remember, break not thy covenant with us.

22 Are [m] there *any* among the [n] vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? [o] *art* not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these *things*.

CHAP. XV.

THEN said the LORD unto me, Though [a] Moses and [b] Samuel stood before me, *yet* my mind *could* not *be* toward this people: cast *them* out of my sight, and let them go forth.

2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt tell them, Thus saith the LORD; [b] Such as *are* for death, to death; and such as *are* for the sword, to the sword; and such as *are* for the famine, to the famine; and such as *are* for the captivity, to the captivity.

3 And I will [d] appoint over them four ‖ kinds, saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and [e] the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.

4 And I will [e] cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, because of [f] Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for *that* which he did in Jerusalem.

5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who shall go aside † to ask how thou doest?

6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; [h] I am weary with repenting.

7 And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave *them* of children, I will destroy my people, *since* [i] they return not from their ways.

8 Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them against the § mother of the young men a spoiler at noonday: I have caused *him* to fall upon it suddenly, and terrors upon the city.

9 She [c] that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; [p] her sun is gone down while *it was* yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD.

10 ¶ Woe [k] is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; *yet* every one of them doth curse me.

11 The LORD said, Verily it shall be well with thy remnant; verily I will [q] cause the enemy to entreat thee *well* in the time of evil and in the time of affliction.

12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel?

13 Thy substance and thy treasures will I give to the [s] spoil without price, and *that* for all thy sins, even in all thy borders.

14 And I will make *thee* to pass with thine enemies into a land *which* thou knowest not: for [t] a fire is kindled in mine anger, *which* shall burn upon you.

15 ¶ O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that [m] for thy sake I have suffered rebuke.

16 Thy words were found, and I did [r] eat them; and [r] thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for [s] I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

17 I [t] sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of thy hand: for thou hast filled me with indignation.

18 Why is my [u] pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, *which* refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me [y] as a liar, *and* [z] *as* waters *that* § fail?

19 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, [a] If thou return, then will I bring thee again, *and* thou shalt stand before me: and if thou [a] take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

20 And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brasen wall: and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for I *am* with thee to save thee and to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

21 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

CHAP. XVI.

THE word of the LORD came also unto me, saying,

2 Thou [b] shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.

3 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land;

4 They shall die of grievous deaths; they shall not be [c] lamented; neither shall they be buried; *but* they shall be [k] as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and their [m] carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

5 For thus saith the LORD, [m] Enter not into the house of ‖ mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people,

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[a] Ps. 79. 3.
[b] Job 3. 1, &c.
[c] La. 1. 16.
[d] ch. 6. 21.
[e] Eze. 7. 15.
• or, *intreat the enemy for thee.*
† or, *make merchandise against a land, and* men *acknowledge* it *not.*
[f] La. 5. 22.
[g] Ps. 44. 12.
[h] ch. 15. 18.
[i] De. 32. 22.
[k] Ps. 106. 6. Da. 9. 8. Lu. 15. 18, 21.
[l] Ps. 74. 2, 20. 106. 45.
[m] Ps. 69. 7.
[n] Zec. 10. 1, 2.
[o] De. 32. 21.
[p] Eze. 3. 1, 3.
Re. 10. 9, 10.
[r] Job 23. 12. Ps. 119. 72.
[s] Is. 30. 23.
‡ *thy name is called upon me.*
[t] Ps. 1. 1. 26. 4, 5.
[u] Ex. 33. 11.
[v] 1 Sa. 7. 9.
[x] ch. 30. 15.
[y] ch. 1. 18, 19.
[z] Job 6. 15, &c.
§ *be not sure.*
[a] Zec. 3. 7.
[b] Eze. 5. 2, 12. Zec. 11. 9.
[c] Eze. 22. 26.
[d] Le. 26. 16, &c.
‖ *families.*
[e] De. 28. 26.
• *give them for a removing.*
[f] 2 Ki. 21. 11, &c.
[g] 1 Co. 7. 26, 27
† *to ask of thy peace.*
[h] Ho. 13. 14.
[i] ch. 22. 18, 19. 25. 33.
‡ or, *whatsoever is dear*
[k] Ps. 83. 10.
[l] Is. 9. 13. Am. 4. 10, 11
[m] Ps. 79. 2.
§ or, *mother city a young man spoiling, &c.* or, *mother* and *the young men*
[n] Eze. 24. 17, 22, 23.
‖ or, *mourning feast.*
[o] 1 Sa. 2. 5.
[p] Am. 8. 9.

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saith the LORD, *even* lovingkindness and mercies.

6 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, [g] neither shall *men* lament for them, nor [d] cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:

7 Neither shall *men* [†] tear *themselves* for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall *men* give them the cup of consolation to [e] drink for their father or for their mother.

8 Thou shalt not [f] also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

9 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, [h] I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.

10 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say unto thee, [m] Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great evil against us? or what *is* our iniquity? or what *is* our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?

11 Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law;

12 And ye have done [n] worse than your fathers; for, behold, [p] ye walk every one after the [‖] imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me:

13 Therefore [q] will I cast you out of this land [r] into a land that ye know not, *neither* ye nor your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you favour.

14 ¶ Therefore, behold, the [s] days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

15 But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

16 ¶ Behold, I will send for many [t] fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.

17 For mine [j] eyes *are* upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin [k] double; because [l] they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.

19 O LORD, [m] my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and *things* wherein *there is* no profit.

20 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and [n] they *are* no gods?

21 Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that [o] my name *is* [p] The LORD.

CHAP. XVII.

THE sin of Judah *is* written with a [a] pen of iron, *and* with the [†] point of a diamond: *it is* [c] graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars;

2 Whilst their children remember their altars and their [f] groves by the green trees upon the high hills.

3 O my mountain in the field, [h] I will give thy substance *and* all thy treasures to the spoil, *and* thy high places *for* sin, throughout all thy borders.

4 And thou, even [§] thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have kindled a fire in mine anger, *which* shall burn for ever.

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; [t] Cursed *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh [m] flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

6 For he shall be [v] like the heath in the desert, and [p] shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, [r] *in* a salt land and not inhabited.

7 Blessed [e] *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

8 For he shall be [f] as a tree planted by the waters, and *that* spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of [s] drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

9 ¶ The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

10 I the LORD [u] search the heart, *I* try the reins, [x] even to give every man according to his ways, *and* according to the fruit of his doings.

11 *As* the partridge [†] sitteth *on eggs*, and hatcheth *them* not; *so* he that getteth riches, and not by right, [y] shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be [d] a fool.

12 ¶ A glorious high throne from the beginning *is* the place of our sanctuary.

13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, [z] all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, *and* they that depart from me shall be *f* written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.

14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for [h] thou *art* my praise.

15 ¶ Behold, they say unto me, [i] Where *is* the word of the LORD? let it come now.

16 As for me, I have not hastened from *being* a pastor [‡] to follow thee: neither have I desired the woeful day; thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was *right* before thee.

17 Be not a terror unto me: thou *art* my hope in the day of evil.

18 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but *let* not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil, and [§] destroy them with double destruction.

19 ¶ Thus said the LORD unto me; Go and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by the which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

20 And say unto them, Hear ye the word

[g] Ex. 15. 3. Am. 5. 8.
[d] or, JEHOVAH. Ps. 83. 18.
[h] Job 19. 24.
[†] mail.
[d] Le. 19. 28. De. 14. 1.
[e] Pr. 3. 3. 2 Co. 3. 3.
[‡] or, break bread for them. De. 26. 14.
[f] Ju. 3. 7. Is. 1. 29.
[g] Pr. 31. 6, 7.
[h] ch. 15. 13.
[i] Mat. 24. 38. 1 Co. 5. 11. Ep. 5. 11.
[§] in thyself.
[k] Is. 24. 7, 8. Eze. 26. 13.
[l] Ho. 2. 11. Re. 18. 23.
[m] Is. 30. 1, 2. 31. 1.
[n] Is. 31. 3.
[o] De. 29. 24.
[p] ch. 22. 6.
[q] Job 20. 17.
[r] De. 29. 23.
[s] Ps. 2. 12. 34. 8. Pr. 16. 20. Is. 30. 18. Eze. 33. 14.
[t] Job 8. 16. Ps. 1. 3.
[u] ch. 7. 26.
[v] ch. 13. 10.
[‖] or, stubbornness.
[x] or, restraint.
[w] De. 4. 26. 28.
[y] ch. 15. 14.
[z] 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Ps. 7. 9. 139. 23, 24. Pr. 17. 3. Ro. 8. 27. Re. 2. 23.
[a] Ps. 62. 12. Ro. 3. 6.
[b] Is. 45. 18.
[†] or, gathereth young which she hath not brought forth.
[c] Pr. 55. 23.
[d] Lu. 12. 20.
[e] Ps. 73. 27. Is. 1. 28.
[f] Lu. 10. 20.
[g] Am. 4. 2. Hab. 1. 15.
[h] De. 10. 21.
[i] Is. 5. 19. Eze. 12. 22. Am. 5. 18. 2 Pe. 3. 4.
[j] Job 34. 21. Pr. 5. 21. 15. 3.
[‡] after thee.
[k] Is. 40. 2.
[l] Eze. 43. 7, 9.
[m] Ps. 18. 2.
[§] break them with a double breach.
[n] Ge. 4. 6.

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of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:

21 Thus saith the LORD; [a] Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the sabbath day, nor bring *it* in by the gates of Jerusalem;

22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day, neither do ye any work, [b] but hallow ye the sabbath day, as I [c] commanded your fathers.

23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

24 And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein;

25 Then [d] shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.

26 And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from [e] the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south, bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and bringing [f] sacrifices of praise, unto the house of the LORD.

27 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day; then [m] will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, [g] and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

CHAP. XVIII.

THE word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there [a] I will cause thee to hear my words.

3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the [§] wheels.

4 And the vessel that he made [§] of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he [*] made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*.

5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

6 O house of Israel, [c] cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, [d] as the clay *is* in the potter's hand, so *are* ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

7 *At what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to [e] pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy *it*;

8 If [b] that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, [d] I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them.

9 And *at what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant *it*;

10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

11 [e] Now therefore go to, speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: [f] return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good.

12 And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.

13 Therefore thus saith the LORD; [g] Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such things: the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.

14 Will *a man* leave the [*] snow of Lebanon *which cometh* from the rock of the field? *or* shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

15 Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways *from* the ancient paths, to walk in paths, *in* a way not cast up;

16 To make their land desolate, *and* a perpetual [*f*] hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

17 I [*g*] will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy; [*h*] I will shew them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity.

18 [*i*] Then said they, Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; [*k*] for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him [†] with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words.

19 Give heed to me, O LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me.

20 Shall [*l*] evil be recompensed for good? for [*m*] they have digged a pit for my soul. Remember that I stood before thee to speak good for them, *and* to turn away thy wrath from them.

21 Therefore [*n*] deliver up their children to the famine, and [‡] pour out their *blood* by the force of the sword; and [*o*] let their wives be bereaved of their children, and *be* widows; and let their men be put to death; *let* [*p*] their young men *be* slain by the sword in battle.

22 Let a cry be heard from their houses, when thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet.

23 Yet, LORD, thou knowest all their counsel against me [†] to slay *me*: [*q*] forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from thy sight, but let them be overthrown before thee; deal *thus* with them in [*r*] the time of thine anger.

CHAP. XIX.

THUS saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and *take* of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests;

2 And go forth unto [*a*] the valley of the son of Hinnom, which *is* by the entry of the [‡] east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,

3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall [*b*] tingle.

4 Because they [*c*] have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled

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[a] Nu. 15. 32, &c.
Ne. 13. 19,
[b] ch. 2. 10.
1 Co. 5. 1.
[c] Lu. 23. 56.
Re. 1. 10.
[d] Ex. 20. 8.
Eze. 20. 12.
[e] or, *my fields for a rock, or for the snow of Lebanon? shall the running waters be forsaken for the strange cold waters?*
[f] ch. 22. 4.
[g] 1 Ki. 9. 8.
[h] Ps. 68. 7.
[i] ch. 2. 27.
[k] Le. 10. 11.
Mal. 2. 7.
Jno. 7. 48, 49.
[l] Zec. 7. 7.
[i] Ps. 107. 23.
116. 17.
He. 13. 15.
† or, *for.*
[m] La. 4. 11.
Am. 1. 4, &c.
[n] Ps. 109. 4, 5.
[o] ch. 52. 13.
2 Ki. 25. 9.
[p] Ps. 35. 7.
57. 6.
[r] Ps. 109. 9, 10.
2 Ti. 4. 14.
‡ *pour them out.*
[s] Ex. 22. 24.
La. 5. 3.
[t] Ac. 9. 6.
He. 1. 1.
[u] 2 Ch. 36. 17.
Am. 4. 10.
§ or, *frames*, or, *seats.*
|| or, *was marred, as clay in the hand of the potter.*
[*] *returned and made.*
† *for death.*
[*] Ps. 35. 4.
109. 14.
Is. 2. 9.
[x] Is. 45. 9.
Ro. 9. 20, 21.
[y] Is. 10. 3.
Lu. 21. 22.
Ro. 2. 5.
[z] Is. 64. 8.
[a] ch. 1. 10.
[b] Eze. 18. 21.
33. 11.
Lu. 13. 3, 5.
[c] Joe. 15. 8.
2 Ki. 23. 10.
[d] ch. 26. 3.
Jon. 3. 10.
‡ *sun gate.*
[e] 1 Sa. 3. 11.
2 Ki. 21. 12.
[f] De. 28. 20.
Is. 65. 11.
[g] 2 Ki. 17. 13.
Ac. 26. 20.

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this place with the blood of innocents;
5 They [b] have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire *for* burnt offerings unto Baal, [c] which I commanded not, nor spake *it*, neither came *it* into my mind:
6 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor [d] The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter.
7 And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; [f] and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their [g] carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.
8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.
9 And I will cause them to eat the [l] flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.
10 Then [p] shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,
11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [r] Even so will I break this people and this city, as *one* breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot [t] be made whole again: and they shall bury *them* in Tophet, till *there be* no place to bury.
12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and *even* make this city as Tophet:
13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled [u] as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose [x] roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.
14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in [b] the court of the LORD's house; and said to all the people,
15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because [d] they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

CHAP. XX.

NOW Pashur the son of [g] Immer the priest, who *was* also [h] chief governor in the house of the LORD, heard that Jeremiah prophesied these things.
2 Then Pashur [k] smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that *were* in the high gate of Benjamin, which *was* by the house of the LORD.
3 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks. Then said Jeremiah unto him, The LORD hath not called thy name Pashur, but § Magor-missabib.
4 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, [o] I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy friends: and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold *it*: and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.

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[a] 2 Ki. 20. 17. 24. 12..16. 25. 13. &c.
[b] ch. 32. 35.
[c] Le. 18. 21.
[d] Jos. 15. 8.
[e] ch. 28. 15. 29. 21. 2 Pe. 2. 1..3.
[f] Le. 26. 17. De. 28. 25.
[g] or, *enticed.*
[h] ch. 1. 6, 7.
[k] La. 3. 14.
[l] Re. 19. 18. 21
[k] ch. 6. 7.
[l] Is. 9. 20. La. 4. 10. Eze. 5. 10.
[m] Job. 5. 14, 19 Ps. 39. 3.
[n] Ac. 18. 5.
[o] Ps. 31. 13.
[p] ch. 51. 63, 64.
† *Every man of my peace.*
[r] Job 19. 19. Ps. 41. 9. 55. 13, 14. Lu. 11. 53, 54
[s] Ps. 2. 9. Is. 30. 14. La. 4. 2. Re. 2. 27.
‡ *be healed.*
[t] ch. 1. 8, 19.
[u] ch. 23. 40.
[x] 2 Ki. 23. 10.
[y] Zep. 1. 5.
[z] Ps. 54. 7. 59. 10.
[a] Ps. 35. 9, 10. 109. 30, 31.
[a] ch. 15. 10. Job 3. 3.
[b] 2 Ch. 20. 5. Lu. 21. 37, 38 Ac. 5. 20.
[c] Ge. 19. 25. Lu. 17. 29. 2 Pe. 2. 6. Jude 7.
[d] 2 Ch. 36. 16. Ac. 7. 51, 52.
[e] ch. 18. 22.
[f] Job 3. 10, 11.
[g] 1 Ch. 24. 14
[h] Ac. 4. 1.
[i] Job 3. 20. He. 10. 36.
[k] Mat. 5. 10.. 12. Ac. 16. 22.. 24.
[l] Ps. 90. 10. La. 3. 1.
[m] Ac. 5. 41. 1 Co. 4. 9..13. He. 12. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 14.. 16.
[n] ch. 29. 26. 37. 3. 2 Ki. 25. 18.
§ i. e. *fear round about*, Ps. 31. 13.
[o] Mat. 27. 4, 5.
[p] Ps. 44. 1..4. Is. 59. 1, 2.

5 Moreover I [a] will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon.
6 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity: and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buried there, thou, [c] and all thy friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.
7 ¶ O LORD, thou hast deceived me, and I was [e] deceived: [f] thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed: [h] I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.
8 For since I spake, I cried out, [k] I cried violence and spoil; because the word of the LORD was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.
9 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But *his word* was in mine heart as a [m] burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and [n] I could not *stay*.
10 ¶ For [o] I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, *say they*, and we will report it. † All [p] my familiars watched for my halting, *saying*, Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him.
11 But [t] the LORD *is* with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: *their* [u] everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.
12 But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, *and* seest the reins and the heart, [y] let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.
13 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for [z] he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.
14 ¶ Cursed [a] *be* the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.
15 Cursed *be* the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.
16 And let that man be [c] as the cities which the LORD overthrew, and repented not: and let him [e] hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide;
17 Because [f] he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb *to be* always great *with me*.
18 Wherefore [i] came I forth out of the womb to [l] see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with [m] shame?

CHAP. XXI.

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and [n] Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,
2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his [p] wondrous works, that he may go up from us.
3 ¶ Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

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4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that *are* in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and *against* the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and [b] I will assemble them into the midst of this city.

5 And I myself will fight against you with an [d] outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath.

6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

7 And afterward, saith the LORD, [h] I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, [i] neither have pity, nor have mercy.

8 ¶ And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, [m] I set before you the way of life, and the way of death.

9 He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and [p] his life shall be unto him for a prey.

10 For I have [q] set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.

11 ¶ And touching the house of the king of Judah, *say,* Hear ye the word of the LORD;

12 O house of David, thus saith the LORD; † Execute [u] judgment in the morning, and deliver *him that is* spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench *it,* because of the evil of your doings.

13 Behold, [y] I *am* against thee, O § inhabitant of the valley, *and* rock of the plain, saith the LORD; which say, [z] Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?

14 But I will [a] punish you according to the [b] fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and [c] it shall devour all things round about it.

CHAP. XXII.

THUS saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word,

2 And say, [f] Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:

3 Thus saith the LORD; † Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.

4 For if ye do this thing indeed, [l] then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting § upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his servants, and his people.

5 But if ye will not hear these words, [o] I swear by myself, saith the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

6 For thus saith the LORD unto the king's house of Judah; Thou *art* Gilead unto me, *and* the head of Lebanon: *yet* surely I will make thee a wilderness, *and* cities *which* are not inhabited.

7 And [s] I will prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down [t] thy choice cedars, and [f] cast *them* into the fire.

8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour, [k] Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?

9 Then they shall answer, [i] Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

10 ¶ Weep ye not for [k] the dead, neither bemoan him: *but* weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

11 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum [m] the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more:

12 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

13 ¶ Woe [o] unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; [r] *that* useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;

14 That saith, I will build me a wide house and [s] large chambers, and cutteth him out † windows; and *it is* cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself* in cedar? [t] did not thy father eat and drink, and do judgment and justice, *and* then [u] *it was* well with him?

16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then *it was* well *with him*: was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

17 But [x] thine eyes and thine heart *are* not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for ‖ violence, to do *it.*

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah; [y] They shall not lament for him, *saying,* [b] Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament for him, *saying,* Ah lord! or, Ah his glory!

19 He [d] shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

20 [c] Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages: for all thy lovers are destroyed.

21 I spake unto thee in thy † prosperity; *but* thou saidst, I will not hear. [f] This *hath been* thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.

22 The wind shall eat up all [h] thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.

23 O ‡ inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, [k] the pain as of a woman in travail!

24 *As* I live, saith the LORD, [m] though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah *were* the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;

25 And [r] I will give thee into the hand

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[a] De. 31. 60. 42.
Am. 6. 8.
He. 6. 13, 17.
[b] Is. 13. 4.
Zec. 14. 2.
Mat. 22. 7.
[c] Is. 54. 16, 17.
Eze. 9. 1...7.
[d] Ex. 6. 6.
[e] Is. 37. 34.
[f] Mat. 3. 10.
[g] De. 29. 24, 25.
1 Ki. 9. 8, 9.
[h] ch. 39. 5. 52. 9.
[i] 2 Ki. 22. 17.
2 Ch. 34. 25.
[k] 2 Ki. 22. 20.
[l] De. 28. 50.
2 Ch. 36. 17.
[m] 1 Ch. 3. 15.
2 Ki. 23. 30.
[n] De. 30. 19.
[o] 2 Ki. 23. 35.
[p] ch. 39. 18. 45. 5.
[q] Le. 19. 13.
De. 24. 14, 15
Mi. 3. 10.
Hab. 2. 9.
Ja. 5. 4.
[r] ch. 44. 11.
Le. 17. 10.
Am. 9. 4.

* *through-aired.*

† or, *my windows.*

[t] 2 Ki. 23. 25.
[u] Pr. 28. 2.
Is. 3. 10.

‡ *Judge.*

[x] ch. 22. 3.
Ps. 101. 8.
Zec. 7. 9.
[y] Eze. 19. 6.
[z] Eze. 13. 8.

§ *inhabitress*

‖ or, *incursion.*

[a] ch. 49. 4.
[b] ch. 16. 4, 6.
[c] 1 Ki. 13. 30. Fulfilled 589.

* *visit upon.*

[d] Pr. 1. 31.
Is. 3. 10, 11.
[e] 2 Ch. 35. 6.
[f] ch. 52. 13.
2 Ch. 36. 19.

† *prosperities.*

[f] ch. 17. 20.
[g] ch. 3. 25. 7. 23, &c.
[h] ch. 23 1.
[i] ch. 21. 13.

‡ *inhabitress*

[k] ch. 6. 24.
[l] ch. 17. 25.
[m] 2 Ki. 24. 6, 8.
1 Ch. 3. 16.

§ *for David upon his throne.*

[n] Ca. 8. 6.
Hag. 2. 23.
[o] ch. 34. 20.

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of them that seek thy life, and into the hand *of them* whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

26 And [b] I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

27 But to the land whereunto they [†] desire to return, thither shall they not return.

28 *Is* this man Coniah a despised broken idol? *is he* [d] a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

29 O [e] earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man [f] childless, a man *that* shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, [g] sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

CHAP. XXIII.

WOE [h] be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD.

2 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: [m] behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

3 And [n] I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.

4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.

5 ¶ Behold, [o] the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, [m] and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

6 In [n] his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and [y] this *is* his name whereby he shall be called, [†] THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

7 Therefore, behold, [o] the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

8 But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, [p] and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

9 ¶ Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; [q] all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness.

10 For the land is full of adulterers; for [r] because of [§] swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their [‖] course is evil, and their force *is* not right.

11 For [s] both prophet and priest are profane; yea, [t] in my house have I found their wickedness, saith the LORD.

12 Wherefore [u] their way shall be unto them as slippery *ways* in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I [v] will bring evil upon them, *even* the

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[*] *unsavoury* or, *an absurd thing.*
[o] Is. 9. 16.
[b] 2 Ch. 36. 10.
[†] or, *Misfortune.*
[‡] *lift up their mind.*
ch. 44. 14.
[c] De. 32. 32. Is. 1. 9, 10.
[d] Ps. 31. 12. Ho. 8. 8.
[e] De. 32. 1. Is. 1. 2. 34. 1. Mi. 1. 2.
[§] or, *hypocrisy.*
[f] Mat. 1. 12.
[g] ch. 36. 30.
[h] ch. 14. 14.
[i] Eze. 13. 10. Zec. 10. 2.
[k] ch. 10. 21. Eze. 34. 2.
[‖] or, *stubbornness.* ch. 13. 10.
[l] Mi. 3. 11.
[m] Job 15. 8. 1 Co. 2. 16.
[*] or, *secret.*
[n] Ex. 32. 34.
[o] ch. 25. 32. 30.23,24.
[p] ch. 32. 37. Eze. 34. 13, &c.
[r] Ge. 49. 1.
[s] Jno. 20. 21. Ro. 10. 15.
[t] Is. 4. 2. 11. 1. 40. 10,11. Da. 9. 24. Zec. 3. 8. 6. 12.
[u] Jno. 1. 45.
[v] Ps. 73. 2. Is. 32. 1, 18. 9. 7.
[*] Ac. 26. 18. 20.
[a] 1 Th. 5. 6.
[a] De. 33. 28. Zec. 14. 11.
[y] ch. 33. 16. 1 Co. 1. 30.
[†] *Jehovah-tsidkenu.*
[z] Ps. 139. 7, &c. Am. 9. 2, 3.
[a] ch.16.14,15.
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 27. Ep. 1. 23.
[c] Is. 43. 5, 6.
[d] Hab. 3. 16.
[e] Ju. 3. 7. 8.33,34.
[z] *with whom is.*
[f] Ho. 4. 2. 3.
[§] or, *cursing*
[‖] or, *violence*
[g] ch. 6. 13. Zep. 3. 4.
[h] ch. 32. 34. Eze. 8. 11. 23. 39.
[i] ch.14. 14,15 De. 18. 20.
[k] Ps. 35. 6. Pr. 4. 19.
[*] or, *that smooth.*
[l] ch. 11. 23.

year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

13 And I have seen [*] folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and [a] caused my people Israel to err.

14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem [†] an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as [c] Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is [§] profaneness gone forth into all the land.

16 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they [h] speak a vision of their own heart, *and* not out of the mouth of the LORD.

17 They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, [i] Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the [‖] imagination of his own heart, [l] No evil shall come upon you.

18 For [m] who hath stood in the [*] counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard *it?*

19 Behold, a [*] whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.

20 The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: [r] in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.

21 I [s] have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

22 But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have [y] turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

23 *Am* I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

24 Can any [z] hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. [a] Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

25 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

26 How long shall *this* be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, *they are* prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

27 Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, [c] as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.

28 The prophet [‡] that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What *is* the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD.

29 *Is* not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock in pieces?

30 Therefore, behold, [i] I *am* against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.

31 Behold, I *am* against the prophets, saith the LORD, [*] that use their tongues, and say, He saith.

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32 Behold, I *am* against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by [a] their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.

33 ¶ And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, What is [*] the burden of the LORD? thou shalt then say unto them, What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the LORD.

34 And *as for* the prophet, and the priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden of the LORD, I will even † punish that man and his house.

35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the LORD answered? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

36 And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention no more: for [d] every man's word shall be his burden; for ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our God.

37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

38 But since ye say, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the LORD;

39 Therefore, behold, I, even I, [h] will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, *and* [i] *cast you* out of my presence:

40 And I will bring [k] an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

CHAP. XXIV.

THE [a] LORD shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs *were* set before the temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar [r] king of Babylon had carried away captive [s] Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.

2 One basket *had* very good figs, *even* like the figs *that are* first ripe: and the other basket *had* very [t] naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.

3 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

4 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

5 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so will [u] I acknowledge || them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans for *their* good.

6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and [v] I will bring them again to this land: and [w] I will build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will plant them, and not pluck *them* up.

7 And I will give them [x] an heart to know me, that I *am* the LORD: and they shall be [y] my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with [z] their whole heart.

8 ¶ And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus

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[a] Zep. 3. 4.
[b] ch. XLIII. XLIV.
[*] *for removing, or, vexation.*
[c] ch. 15. 4. 34. 17. De. 28. 25, 37. 1 Ki. 9. 7. 2 Ch. 7. 20.
[d] Ps. 44. 13, 14.
[e] Mal. 1. 1.
† *visit upon.*
[f] ch. 36. 1.
[g] Mat. 12. 36. Lu. 19. 22. 2 Pe. 2. 17, 18.
[h] Ps. 89. 1, 2. Mar. 7. 14.. 16.
[i] ch. 7. 13. Jno. 8. 47.
[k] Ho. 4. 6.
[l] 2 Ki. 17. 13. Jer. 3. 8. La. 13. 3, 5. Ac. 26. 20. Ja. 4. 8, 10.
[m] Ps. 51. 11. Mat. 25. 41. 2 Th. 1. 9.
[n] ch. 20. 11.
[o] Am. 7. 1, 4. 8. 1.
[p] De. 32. 21.
[r] 2 Ki. 24. 12, &c. 2 Ch. 36. 10.
[s] ch. 22. 24, &c. 29. 2.
[t] ch. 1. 15.
[u] Lu. 14. 34, 35.
[v] ch. 27. 6. 43. 10. Is. 44. 28. 45. 1.
‡ *for badness*
§ *cause to perish from them.*
[w] Is. 24. 7. Eze. 26. 13 Ho. 2. 11. Re. 18. 23.
[x] Jno. 10. 27. 1 Co. 8. 3.
[y] Ec. 12. 4.
|| *the captivity.*
[z] ch. 12. 15. 29. 10.
[a] 2 Ch. 36. 21. Da. 9. 2.
[b] ch. 32. 41. 33. 7. 42. 10.
• Beginning 606. 2 Ki. 24. 1. Ending 536. Ezr. 1. 1.
† *visit upon.*
[d] De. 30. 6. Eze. 11. 19. 36. 26, 27.
[e] Is. 14. 22, 23.
[f] ch. 32. 26. Ho. 8. 10. 11. 16.
[g] ch. 29. 13.

saith the LORD, So will I *give* Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and [b] them that dwell in the land of Egypt:

9 And I will deliver them [*] to [c] be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth *for their* hurt, [d] *to be* a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.

10 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.

CHAP. XXV.

THE word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah [f] in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that *was* the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;

2 The which Jeremiah the prophet spake unto [a] all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

3 From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even unto this day, that *is* the three and twentieth year, the word of the LORD hath *came* unto me, and I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; [c] but ye have not hearkened.

4 And the LORD hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them*; but ye have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.

5 They said, [f] Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever:

6 And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I will do you no hurt.

7 Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the LORD; that ye might [g] provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.

8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words,

9 Behold, I will send and take [t] all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, [u] my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.

10 Moreover I will § take from them the [v] voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, [w] the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle.

11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, *and* an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

12 ¶ And it shall come to pass, [x] when • seventy years are accomplished, *that* I will † punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and [y] will make it perpetual desolations.

13 And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, *even* all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.

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14 For many nations and great kings shall [h] serve themselves of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.

15 ¶ For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the [c] wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

16 And [d] they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

17 Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

18 *To wit*, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as *it is* this day;

19 Pharaoh [i] king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;

20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of [k] the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and [l] the remnant of Ashdod,

21 [i] Edom, and [k] Moab, and the children of Ammon,

22 And all the kings of [m] Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the [n] isles which *are* beyond the sea,

23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all [o] *that are* in the utmost corners,

24 And [p] all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the [q] mingled people that dwell in the desert,

25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,

26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of the world, which *are* upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.

27 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [r] Drink ye, and [s] be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ye shall certainly drink.

29 For, lo, [t] I begin to bring evil on the city † which is [c] called by my name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for [d] I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.

30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall [f] roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon [g] his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread *the grapes*, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

31 A noise shall come *even* to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath [h] a controversy with the nations, [i] he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.

32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

33 And [l] the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, [e] neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

34 ¶ Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves *in the ashes*, ye principal of the flock: for [*] the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like † a pleasant vessel.

35 And ‡ the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.

36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, *shall be heard*: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.

37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

38 He hath forsaken [*] his covert, as the lion: for their land is § desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.

CHAP. XXVI.

IN the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in [t] the court of the LORD's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD's house, [u] all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; [*] diminish not a word:

3 If [r] so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may [t] repent me of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.

4 And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; [u] If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,

5 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, [*] whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending *them*, but ye have not hearkened;

6 Then will I make this house like [x] Shiloh, and will make this city [c] a curse to all the nations of the earth.

7 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.

8 ¶ Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded *him* to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, [y] Thou shalt surely die.

9 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? And all the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

10 ¶ When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down [t] in the entry of the new gate of the LORD's *house*.

11 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying, § This man *is* worthy to die; [z] for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.

12 ¶ Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying, The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard.

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[h] Ps. 79. 3. Re. 11. 9.
[c] ch. 27. 7.
[*] *your days for slaughter.*
[d] Job 21. 20. Re. 14. 10.
† *a vessel of desire.*
[i] Ese. 33. 34. Na. 3. 11.
‡ *flight shall perish from the shepherds, and escaping from, &c.* Am. 2. 14.
[k] Ps. 76. 2.
[l] ch. 25. 2, 25.
§ *a desolation.*
[m] Job 1. 1.
[n] Is. 20. 1.
[o] ch. 49. 7, &c.
[p] ch. 49. 1.
[q] ch. 19. 14.
[r] ch. 27. 4.
|| or, *region by the sea side.*
[s] Exe. 3. 10. Mat. 25. 20.
[*] *cut off into corners*, or, *having the corners of the hair polled.*
[t] ch. 9. 26. 49. 32.
[u] Ac. 20. 27.
[v] 2 Ch. 9. 14.
[r] ch. 36. 3.
[s] Exe. 30. 5.
[t] Jon. 3. 8, 9.
[u] Le. 26. 14, &c. De. 28. 15.
[*] ch. 11. 7. 25. 3, 4.
[x] Hab. 2. 16.
[y] Is. 51. 21. 63. 6.
[z] ch. 7. 12, 14. 1 Sa. 4. 10, 11. Ps. 78. 60.
[c] ch. 24. 9. Is. 65. 15.
[a] Pr. 11. 31. Lu. 23. 31. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
† *upon which my name is called.*
[e] Da. 18, 19.
[d] Ese. 28. 21.
[e] Mat. 23. 31. ...35. Mar. 14. 55. ...64. Ac. 5. 33. 7. 52.
[f] Is. 42. 13.
[g] 1 Ki. 9. 3. Ps. 132. 14.
‡ or, *at the door.*
[h] Ho. 4. 1. Mi. 6. 2.
[i] Joel 3. 2.
§ *The judgment of death is for this man.*
[k] ch. 38. 4. Ac. 6. 11...14
[l] Is. 66. 16.

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13 Therefore now [a] amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.

14 As for me, behold, [d] I *am* in your hand: do with me [e] as seemeth good and meet unto you.

15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye [f] shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.

16 ¶ Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets; This man *is* not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.

17 Then [i] rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the people, saying,

18 Micah [m] the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [p] Zion shall be plowed *like* a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.

19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? [r] did he not fear the LORD, and besought [‡] the LORD, and the LORD [s] repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? [t] Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.

20 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son of Shemaiah of Kirjath-jearim, who prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah:

21 And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king sought to put him to death: but when Urijah heard it, [x] he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt;

22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, *namely*, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and *certain* men with him into Egypt.

23 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the ‖ common people.

24 Nevertheless [b] the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

CHAP. XXVII.

IN the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus [o] saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, [d] and put them upon thy neck,

3 And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of the Ammonites, and to the king of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;

4 And command them † to say unto their masters, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;

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[a] ch. 7. 3.
[b] Ps. 146. 6. Is. 45. 12.
[c] Ps. 115. 16. Da. 4. 17, 25, 32.
[d] ch. 38. 5.
[e] *as it is good and right in your eyes.*
[o] Exo. 29. 18, 20.
[f] Da. 2. 38.
[g] Ac. 7. 60. 1 Th. 2. 15, 16
[h] 2 Ch. 36. 20.
[i] Da. 5. 26.
[k] ch. 25. 14.
[l] Ac. 5. 34, &c.
[m] Exo. 14. 21.
[n] Mi. 1. 1.
[p] Ex. 7. 11. De. 18. 10, &c. Is. 47. 12..14 Ac. 8. 11. Re. 9. 21. 22. 15.
[r] Mi. 3. 12.
† *dreams.*
[s] 2 Ch. 32. 26.
‡ *the face of the LORD.*
[t] Ex. 32. 14. 2 Sa. 24. 16.
[x] Ac. 5. 39.
[u] ch. 26. 1. 36. 17.
[v] Pr. 1. 33. Exo. 18. 21.
[w] Mat. 10. 23, 28, 29. 16. 25.
[y] Is. 38. 10..13. 2 Co. 11. 13 ..15.
[z] ch. 14. 14. 23. 21. 29. 8, 9. Mat. 7. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 1..3. 1 Jno. 4. 1.
§ *in a lie, or, lyingly.*
[a] Mat. 24. 24. 2 Th. 2. 9..12 2 Ti. 4. 3, 4.
‖ *sons of the people.*
[b] ch. 39. 14. 2 Ki. 22. 12, 14.
[c] 2 Ch. 36. 7, 10 Da. 1. 2.
[d] Exo. 4. 1. 24. 3, &c.
[e] Job 42. 8, 9. Exo. 32. 30. Mat. 1. 9. Ja. 5. 16..18.
[f] ch. 52. 17, 20, 21. 2 Ki. 25. 13, &c.
† or, *concerning their masters, saying.*

5 I [b] have made the earth, the man and the beast that *are* upon the ground, by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and [c] have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.

6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, [d] my servant; and [f] the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.

7 And [h] all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, [i] until the very time of his land come: [k] and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith the LORD, [m] with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

9 Therefore [o] hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your † dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:

10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

11 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

12 ¶ I spake also to [u] Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.

13 Why [v] will ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

14 Therefore [y] hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy [§] a lie unto you.

15 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD, yet they prophesy [§] a lie in my name; that [z] I might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.

16 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, [c] the vessels of the LORD'S house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.

17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be laid waste?

18 But if they *be* prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, [e] let them now make intercession to the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.

19 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts [f] concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city,

20 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of

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Babylon took not, when he carried away [a] captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;

21 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain *in* the house of the LORD, and *in* the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;

22 They shall be [b] carried to Babylon, and there shall they be [c] until the day that I visit them, saith the LORD; then [d] will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND [e] it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, *and* in the fifth month, *that* Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which *was* of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken [f] the yoke of the king of Babylon.

3 Within † two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD'S house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:

4 And I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all the ‡ captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD: for [m] I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

5 ¶ Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the people that stood in the house of the LORD,

6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, [n] Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD'S house, and all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.

7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people;

8 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.

9 The [o] prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, *then* shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.

10 ¶ Then Hananiah the prophet took the [p] yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.

11 And Hananiah [q] spake in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years. And [r] the prophet Jeremiah went his way.

12 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah *the prophet*, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

13 Go and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD; [s] Thou hast broken the yokes of wood; but thou shalt make for them yokes of iron.

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[a] ch. 24. 1. 2 Ki. 24. 14, 15.
[b] De. 28. 48.
[c] 2 Ki. 25. 13. 2 Ch. 36. 18.
[d] ch. 29. 31, 32. Ezra. 1. 7. Zec. 13. 3.
[e] ch. 29. 10. 32. 5. Pr. 21. 30. Da. 9. 2.
[f] Ezr. 1. 7. 7. 19.
[g] Ge. 7. 4. Ex. 32. 12. De. 6. 15. Am. 9. 8.
[h] Ac. 13. 8...11
[i] *revolt.*
[k] ch. 27. 1.
[l] Ex. 9. 20. Ac. 15. 23. 2 Co. 7. 8. He. 13. 22.
[m] ch. 27. 12.
† *two years of days.*
[n] ch. 23. 26. 2 Ki. 24. 12, &c.
‡ or, *chamberlains.*
§ *captivity.*
[o] Ge. 27. 40. Is. 9. 4. Na. 1. 13.
[p] Is. 5. 5. 59. 1, 2. Am. 3. 6. De. 27. 15...26. 1 Ki. 1. 36. 1 Co. 14. 16. 2 Co. 1. 20. Re. 5. 14.
[q] ver. 28. Eze. 28. 26.
[r] 1 Ti. 5. 14.
[s] Da. 6. 4, 5. Ro. 13. 1, 5. 1 Pe. 2. 13...17.
[t] Esr. 6. 10. 1 Ti. 2. 2.
[u] De. 18. 22. Pr. 14. 7. Eze. 13. 10...16.
[x] ch. 14. 14. Mat. 24. 4, 5, 24. Ro. 16. 18. 2 Co. 11. 13...15. Ep. 5. 6.
‖ *in a lie.*
[y] ch. 27. 2.
[z] Mal. 3. 13.
[a] ch. 29. 12. 27. 22. 2 Ch. 36. 21, 22. Esr. 1. 1. Da. 9. 2, &c.
[b] Pr. 26. 4.
[c] *end and expectation.*
[d] Le. 26. 39, &c. De. 30. 1, &c. Ps. 149. 8. La. 2. 14.
[e] ch. 24. 7.
[f] De. 4. 7. Ps. 32. 6. 46. 1. Is. 55. 6.

14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [t] I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.

15 ¶ Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD hath not sent thee; but [u] thou makest this people to trust in a lie.

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will cast thee [x] from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, [y] because thou hast taught [z] rebellion against the LORD.

17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

CHAP. XXIX.

NOW these *are* the words of [a] the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

2 (After that [m] Jeconiah the king, and the queen, and the [‡] eunuchs, the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the carpenters, and the smiths, were departed from Jerusalem;)

3 By the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, (whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

4 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, [b] whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon;

5 Build [c] ye houses, and dwell *in them*; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;

6 Take [d] ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

7 And [e] seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, [n] and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

8 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Let [x] not your prophets and your diviners, that *be* in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.

9 For they prophesy ‖ falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the LORD.

10 ¶ For thus saith the LORD, That after [c] seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an [d] expected end.

12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.

13 And [e] ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me [f] with all your heart.

14 And [f] I will be found of you, saith

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the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and [a] I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

15 ¶ Because ye have said, The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon;

16 *Know* that thus saith the LORD of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwelleth in this city, *and* of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

17 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like [e] vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

18 And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and [f] will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, † to be [g] a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:

19 Because they have not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which [h] I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending *them*; but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.

20 ¶ Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

21 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name; Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

22 And [m] of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which *are* in Babylon, saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, [o] whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire;

23 Because [p] they have committed villany in Israel, and have committed adultery with their neighbours' wives, and have spoken lying words in my name, which I have not commanded them; [q] even I know, and *am* a witness, saith the LORD.

24 ¶ *Thus* shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the ‖ Nehelamite, saying,

25 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Because thou hast sent letters in thy name unto all the people that *are* at Jerusalem, [s] and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, and to all the priests, saying,

26 The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that ye should be officers in the house of the LORD, for every man *that is* [t] mad, and maketh himself a prophet, that thou [u] shouldest put him in prison, and in the stocks.

27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, [x] which maketh himself a prophet to you?

28 For therefore he sent unto us *in* Babylon, saying, This *captivity is* long: build [y] ye houses, and dwell *in them*; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet.

30 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

31 Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite; Because that

B. C. 606.

[a] ch. 32. 37.
[b] ch. 29. 15, 16. 2 Pe. 2. 1.
[c] *revolt.*
[d] ch. 24. 8.
[e] ch. 32. 44. Eze. 39. 25. Am. 9. 14, 15
[f] ch. 16. 15. Ezr. 3. 1, &c.
[g] De. 28. 25. 2 Ch. 29. 8.
† *for a curse.*
[g] ch. 42. 18.
[h] He. 12. 25.
‡ *or, there is fear, and not peace.*
§ *a male.*
[i] ch. 4. 31. 6. 24. Jno. 16. 21. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[k] Joel 2. 11, 31. Am. 5. 18. Zep. 1. 14, &c. Ac. 2. 20.
[l] Da. 12. 1.
[m] Ge. 48. 20. Is. 65. 15. 1 Co. 16. 22.
[n] Is. 56. 3, 4. Eze. 34. 23. 37. 24. Ho. 3. 5.
[o] Da. 3. 6.
[p] Lu. 1. 69. Ac. 2. 30. 13. 23, 34
[r] Is. 41. 13. 43. 5. 44. 2. Jno. 12. 15.
[s] ch. 23. 14.
[t] ch. 3. 18.
[u] Ps. 139. 1. Pr. 5. 21. Mal. 3. 5. He. 4. 13.
‖ or, *dreamer*
[x] Am. 9. 8.
[y] ch. 4. 27.
[z] Ps. 6. 1. Is. 27. 8.
[a] ch. 21. 1. 2 Ki. 25. 18.
[b] ch. 15. 18. 2 Ch. 36. 16.
[c] *for binding up, or, pressing.*
[d] ch. 8. 22. Ep. 2. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[e] 2 Ki. 9. 11. Ac. 26. 24.
[f] ch. 30. 2.
[g] La. 1. 2.
[h] Job 13. 24. 16. 9. 19. 11.
[i] Nu. 16. 3. Mat. 27. 63. 2 Ti. 3. 8.
[k] Job 30. 21.
[l] ch. 15. 18.
[m] Eze. 29. 26.
[n] Ex. 23. 22. Is. 33. 1. 41. 11. Re 13. 10.

Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, [h] and I sent him not, and he caused you to trust in a lie:

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD: Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not have a man to dwell among this people; neither shall he behold the good that I will do for my people, saith the LORD; because he hath taught [c] rebellion against the LORD.

CHAP. XXX.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.

3 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that [d] I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

4 ¶ And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

5 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, ‡ of fear, and not of peace.

6 Ask ye now, and see whether § a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, [i] as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

7 Alas! [k] for that day *is* great, [l] so that none *is* like it: it *is even* the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.

8 For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and [m] David their king, whom I will [n] raise up unto them.

10 ¶ Therefore [r] fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed [s] from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.

11 For I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: [t] though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, [x] yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee [y] in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

12 For thus saith the LORD, [a] Thy bruise *is* incurable, *and* thy wound *is* grievous.

13 *There is* none to plead thy cause, [b] that thou mayest be bound up: [b] thou hast no healing medicines.

14 All [c] thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound *of* an enemy, with the chastisement [d] of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; *because* thy sins were increased.

15 Why [e] criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow *is* incurable for the multitude of thine iniquity: *because* thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.

16 Therefore all they that devour thee [f] shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

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17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, *saying*, This *is* Zion, whom no man seeketh after.

18 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and [a] have mercy on his dwelling places; and the city shall be builded upon her own [b] heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.

19 And [c] out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: [d] and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.

20 Their children also shall be [e] as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

21 And their nobles shall be of themselves, [f] and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will [g] cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who *is* this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.

22 And ye shall be [h] my people, and I will be your God.

23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a [i] continuing whirlwind: it shall [k] fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.

24 The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have done *it*, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: [l] in the latter days ye shall consider it.

CHAP. XXXI.

AT the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

2 Thus saith the LORD, The people *which were* left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; *even* Israel, when [m] I went to cause him to rest.

3 The LORD hath appeared [§] of old unto me, *saying*, Yea, [n] I have loved thee with [o] an everlasting love: therefore [‖] with lovingkindness have I [p] drawn thee.

4 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy [q] tabrets, [r] and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.

5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall [t] eat *them* as common things.

6 For there shall be a day, *that* the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, [u] Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.

7 For thus saith the LORD; [x] Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.

8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, *and* with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.

9 They [y] shall come with weeping, and with [§] supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk [m] by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim *is* my [n] firstborn.

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare *it* in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel [a] will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd *doth* his flock.

11 For [b] the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of *him that was* stronger than he.

12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to [d] the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; [f] and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.

14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and [k] my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the LORD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; [m] A voice was heard in [n] Ramah, lamentation, *and* bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because [p] they *were* not.

16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and [r] they shall come again from the land of the enemy.

17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, [t] that thy children shall come again to their own border.

18 ¶ I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself *thus*; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed *to the yoke*: [u] turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou *art* the LORD my God.

19 Surely [x] after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon *my* thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.

20 *Is* Ephraim my dear son? *is he* a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: [y] therefore my bowels [†] are troubled for him; [d] I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.

21 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, *even* the way *which* thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.

22 ¶ How long wilt thou go about, O thou [f] backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.

23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; [h] The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, *and* [i] mountain of holiness.

24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and [k] in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they *that* go forth with flocks.

25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.

26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

27 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that [a] I will sow the house of Is-

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[a] Is. 40. 11.
[b] Is. 44. 23. 48. 20.
[c] Ps. 102. 13.
[d] Ho. 3. 5.
[e] Is. 35. 10. 51. 11.
[f] Zec. 10. 8.
[g] Is. 65. 19. Re. 21. 4.
[h] Is. 1. 26.
[i] Ge. 49. 10.
[k] Is. 25. 6. Mat. 5. 6. Ep. 1. 3.
[l] Nu. 24. 14.
[m] Mat. 2. 17, 18
[n] Jos. 18. 25.
[o] Eze. 11. 20. 36. 28. 37. 27.
[p] Ge. 43. 13.
† *cutting.*
‡ or, *remain.*
[r] Exr. 1. 5. Ho. 1. 11.
[s] Ge. 49. 1.
[t] Ro. 11. 23.. 26.
[u] La. 5. 21.
[x] Nu. 10. 33. De. 1. 33. Ps. 95. 11. Is. 63. 14. Mat. 11. 28. He. 4. 3, 9.
[y] De. 30. 2.
§ *from afar.*
[z] Mal. 1. 2.
[a] Ro. 11. 28, 29.
‖ or, *have I extended lovingkindness unto thee.*
[a] Ho. 11. 4.
[b] or, *timbrels.*
[c] Ex. 15. 20. Ju. 11. 34. Ps. 149. 3.
[d] De. 32. 36. Is. 63. 15. Ho. 11. 8.
† *sound.*
[d] Is. 57. 18. Ho. 14. 4.
‡ *profane them.* De. 20. 6. 28. 30.
[e] Is. 2. 3. Mi. 4. 2.
[f] ch. 3. 6, &c.
[g] Is. 12. 5, 6.
[h] Ps. 122. 5..8. Is. 1. 26.
[i] Zec. 8. 3.
[k] ch. 33. 12, 13.
[l] ch. 50. 4. Ps. 126. 5, 6.
§ or, *favours.* Zec. 12. 10.
[m] Is. 35. 6.
[n] Ex. 4. 22.
[o] Eze. 36. 9.. 11. Ho. 2. 23. Zec. 10. 9.

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rael and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.

28 And it shall come to pass, *that* like as I have [a] watched over them, [b] to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, [c] to build, and to plant, saith the LORD.

29 In [d] those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

30 But [e] every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

31 ¶ Behold, the [f] days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* [g] I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, [h] although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

33 But [i] this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, [m] I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; [n] and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for [p] they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for [r] I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

35 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, [s] which giveth the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth [t] the sea when the waves thereof roar; [u] The LORD of hosts *is* his name:

36 If [v] those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

37 Thus saith the LORD; [y] If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD.

38 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD [z] from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.

39 And [a] the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb, and shall compass about to Goath.

40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron, [b] unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east, [c] *shall be* holy unto the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more for ever.

CHAP. XXXII.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD [d] in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which *was* the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

2 For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up [e] in the court of the prison, which *was* in the king of Judah's house.

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD, [f] Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it:

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4 And Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes;

5 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be [g] until I visit him, saith the LORD: [h] though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ye shall not prosper.

6 ¶ And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

7 Behold, Hanameel the son of Shallum thine uncle shall come unto thee, saying, Buy thee my field that *is* in Anathoth: for the [i] right of redemption *is* thine to buy *it*.

8 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray thee, that *is* in Anathoth, which *is* in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance *is* thine, and the redemption *is* thine; buy *it* for thyself. Then I knew that this *was* the word of the LORD.

9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that *was* in Anathoth, and [k] weighed him the money, *even* [l] seventeen shekels of silver.

10 And I [†] subscribed the evidence, and sealed *it*, and took witnesses, and weighed *him* the money in the balances.

11 So I took the evidence of the purchase, *both* that which was sealed *according* to the law and custom, and that which was open:

12 And I gave the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine uncle's *son*, and in the presence of the [m] witnesses that subscribed the book of the purchase, before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.

13 ¶ And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

14 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.

15 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

16 ¶ Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, [o] thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, *and* [p] there is nothing [§] too hard for thee:

18 Thou shewest *lovingkindness* unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the [q] Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, *is* his name,

19 Great [r] in counsel, and mighty in [‖] work: for thine [s] eyes *are* open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

20 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, and in Israel, and among *other* men; and hast made thee [m] a name, as at this day;

21 And [o] hast brought forth thy people

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[a] ch. 44. 27.
[b] ch. 1. 10. 18. 7.
[c] ch. 24. 6.
[d] Ezek. 18. 2, 3.
[e] ch. 27. 22.
[f] ch. 21. 4.
[g] Ge. 6. 5, 7.
[h] Ezek. 37. 26. Heb. 8. 8..12. 10. 16, 17.
[i] Le. 23. 34, 39, 42. Nu. 4. 4.
[k] De. 1. 31.
[l] or, *should I have continued an husband unto them?*
[m] ch. 32. 40.
[n] Ps. 40. 8. Ezek. 11. 19, 20. 36. 26, 27.
[o] 2 Co. 3. 3.
[p] ch. 24. 7. 30. 22.
[r] Ge. 23. 16. Zec. 11. 12.
[†] or, *seven shekels and ten pieces of silver.*
[‡] *wrote in the book.*
[p] Is. 54. 13. Jno. 6. 45. 1 Co. 2. 10. 1 Jno. 2. 20, 27.
[r] ch. 50. 20. Mi. 7. 18. Ac. 10. 43. 13. 39. Ro. 11. 27.
[s] Ge. 1. 16. Ps. 72. 5, 17. 89. 2, 36, 37. 119. 89.
[t] Is. 51. 15.
[u] ch. 10. 16.
[v] Ps. 148. 6. Is. 54. 9, 10.
[x] Is. 6. 2.
[y] ch. 33. 22.
[z] Ne. 3. 1. Zec. 14. 10.
[a] Ezek. 40. 6. Zec. 2. 1.
[b] 2 Ch. 23. 15. Ne. 3. 28.
[c] 2 Ki. 19. 15.
[d] Joel 3. 17.
[e] Ge. 16. 14. Lu. 1. 37.
[§] or, *hid from thee.*
[f] Ex. 20. 6. 34. 7. De. 5. 9, 10.
[g] 2 Ki. 25. 1, 2.
[h] ch. 39. 1.
[i] Le. 25. 6.
[‖] *doing.*
[k] Job 34. 21. Ps. 33. 13. Pr. 5. 21.
[l] ch. 37. 21. Ne. 3. 25.
[m] Ex. 9. 16. 1 Ch. 17. 21. Is. 63. 12. Da. 9. 15.
[n] ch. 34. 2.
[o] Ex. 6. 6. 2 Sa. 7. 23. Ps. 136. 11, 12.

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Israel out of the land of Egypt with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror;

22 And hast given them this land, which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, *a* land flowing with milk and honey;

23 And they came in, and possessed it; but *c* they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: therefore thou hast caused all this evil to come upon them:

24 Behold the † mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of *d* the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest *it*.

25 And thou hast said unto me, O Lord GOD, Buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses; for ‖ the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

26 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

27 Behold, I *am* the LORD, the *m* God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?

28 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it:

29 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and *n* set fire on this city, and burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger.

30 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah *r* have only done evil before me from their youth: for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, saith the LORD.

31 For *s* this city hath been to me *as* † a provocation of mine anger and of my fury from the day that they built it even unto this day; *t* that I should remove it from before my face,

32 Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, *u* they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

33 And they have turned unto me the § back, and not the face: though I taught them, *b* rising up early and teaching *them*, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.

34 But they *b* set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it.

35 And they built the high places of Baal, which *are* in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through *the fire* unto *c* Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.

36 ¶ And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence;

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a ch. 23. 3. 29. 14. De. 30. 3. Eze. 37. 21.
b ch. 23. 6. 33. 16.
c Ex. 3. 8, 17.
d He. 8. 10. 11. 16. Re. 21. 7.
e Nu. 9. 26. De. 9. 10..14.
f ch. 34. 7. Eze. 11. 19. 20.
g *all days.*
h Is. 55. 3. Ga. 3. 14..17. He. 13. 20.
† or, *engines of shot.*
ch. 33. 4.
‡ *from after them.*
k ch. 31. 33.
l ch. 14. 12.
k De. 30. 9. Zep. 3. 17.
l ch. 24. 6. 31. 28. Am. 9. 15.
§ *in truth,* or, *stability.*
‖ or, *though.*
m ver. 36.
n Nu. 16. 22.
o ch. 21. 10. 37. 8, 10. 52. 13. Is. 64. 10, 11. La. 4. 11. Mat. 22. 7.
p ch. 33. 7, 11, 26.
r ch. 2. 7. 3. 25. 7. 23..26. Eze. 20. 28. Ac. 7. 51..53
s Is. 37. 26.
t Lu. 13. 33, 34
u or, *JEHOVAH.*
Ex. 15. 3. Am. 5. 8. 9. 6.
† *for my anger.*
v ch. 29. 12. Ps. 91. 15.
‡ or, *hidden.* Is. 48. 6.
w 2 Ki. 23. 27. 24. 3.
y Is. 1. 4, 5. Da. 9. 8.
§ *neck.*
z Jno. 8. 2.
a ch. 30. 17.
b ch. 7. 30, 31. 23. 11. Eze. 8. 5, 6.
c Is. 1. 25.
d Eze. 36. 25. Zec. 13. 1. He. 9. 13, 14.
e Le. 19. 21. 1 Ki. 11. 33.
f Mi. 7. 18.
g ch. 13. 11. Is. 62. 7.
h Is. 60. 5.

37 Behold, I will *a* gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them *b* to dwell safely:

38 And they shall be *d* my people, and I will be their God:

39 And I will *f* give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me *g* for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them:

40 And *k* I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away † from them, to do them good; but *h* I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.

41 Yea, *l* I will rejoice over them to do them good, and *l* I will plant them in this land § assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

42 For thus saith the LORD; Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them.

43 And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, *It is* desolate without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

44 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal *them*, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for *p* I will cause their captivity to return, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XXXIII.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD the *e* maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; *o* the *u* LORD *is* his name;

3 Call *v* unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and ‡ mighty things, which thou knowest not.

4 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword;

5 They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but *it is* to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city.

6 Behold, *w* I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, *x* as at the first.

8 And I will *a* cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will *b* pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.

9 ¶ And *c* it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall *h* fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.

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10 Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say *shall be* desolate without man and without beast, *even* in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,

11 The [b] voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, [c] Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD *is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: *and* of them that shall bring [d] the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.

12 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [e] Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing *their* flocks to lie down.

13 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks [h] pass again under the hands of him that telleth *them*, saith the LORD.

14 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that [i] I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.

15 ¶ In those days, and at that time, will I cause the [m] Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.

16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this *is the name* wherewith she shall be called, [n] The LORD our righteousness.

17 ¶ For thus saith the LORD; [§] David shall never [r] want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel;

18 Neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to [s] offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually.

19 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,

20 Thus saith the LORD; [t] If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;

21 *Then* may also [y] my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.

22 As [a] the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will [b] I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me.

23 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,

24 Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.

25 Thus saith the LORD; If [f] my covenant *be* not with day and night, *and if* I have not [g] appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;

26 Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, *so* that I will not take *any* of his seed *to be* rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for [c] I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

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[a] Ezr. 2. 1.
[b] Re. 18. 23.
[c] ch. 30. 1. 32. 4. 2 Ki. 25. 1, &c.
[d] ch. 1. 15.
[e] *the dominion of his hand.*
[e] 1 Ch. 16. 8, 34. 2 Ch. 5. 13. 7. 3. Ezr. 3. 11. Ps. 136. 1. Is. 12. 4.
[f] Le. 7. 12. Ps. 107. 22. 116. 17. He. 13. 15.
[g] ch. 50. 19. Is. 65. 10.
[†] *his mouth shall speak to thy mouth.*
[h] Le. 27. 32. Lu. 15. 4. Jno. 10. 3, 4.
[i] 2 Ch. 16. 14. 21. 19.
[k] ch. 29. 10.
[l] Da. 2. 46.
[m] ch. 23. 18.
[n] Is. 4. 2. 11. 1.
[o] 2 Sa. 12. 7.. 12. Mat. 14. 4. Ac. 20. 27.
[‡] *Jehovah-tsidkenu.*
[p] 2 Ki. 18. 13. 19. 6. 2 Ch. 11. 5, 9.
[§] *That shall not be cut off from David.*
[r] 2 Sa. 7. 16. 1 Ki. 2. 4. Ps. 89. 29, 36. Lu. 1. 32, 33.
[s] Re. 12. 1. 15. 16. 1 Pe. 2. 5, 9. Re. 1. 6.
[t] Ex. 21. 2. Le. 25. 10. Is. 61. 1.
[u] Ne. 5. 11.
[v] Ps. 89. 37. Is. 54. 9.
[w] Le. 25. 39.. 46. 1 Co. 6. 8.
[y] Ps. 89. 34.
[z] Is. 29. 13. Mar. 6. 20.
[a] Ge. 13. 16. 15. 5. 22. 17.
[b] Ee. 8. 11. Ho. 6. 4. Mat. 12. 43 ..45. Re. 2. 4, 5.
[c] Is. 53. 10, 12
[d] Ex. 24. 3, &c. He. 8. 10, 11.
[e] Ex. 21. 2. 23. 10. De. 15. 12.
[f] Ge. 8. 22.
[g] Mal. 3. 6.
[‖] or, *sold himself.*
[h] Ps. 104. 19.

CHAP. XXXIV.

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, [e] when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, [d] and all the kingdoms of the earth [e] of his dominion, and all the people, fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire:

3 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be taken, and delivered into his hand; and thine eyes shall behold the eyes of the king of Babylon, and [†] he shall speak with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to Babylon.

4 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of thee, Thou shalt not die by the sword:

5 *But* thou shalt die in peace: and with [f] the burnings of thy fathers, the former kings which were before thee, [f] so shall they burn *odours* for thee; and [m] they will lament thee, *saying*, Ah lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.

6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake [o] all these words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem,

7 When the king of Babylon's army fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish, and against Azekah: for [p] these defenced cities remained of the cities of Judah.

8 ¶ *This is* the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, after that the king Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the people which *were* at Jerusalem, to [q] proclaim liberty unto them;

9 That [u] every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant, *being* an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; [x] that none should serve himself of them, *to wit*, of a Jew his brother.

10 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into the covenant, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, [z] then they obeyed, and let *them* go.

11 But [b] afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.

12 ¶ Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; [d] I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

14 At the end of [e] seven years let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew, which hath [‖] been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.

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15 And ye were [a] now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty every man to his neighbour; and ye had [b] made a covenant before me [c] in the house [†] which is called by my name:

16 But ye turned and [d] polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom he had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: [e] behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, [f] to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you [‡] to be [f] removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

18 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when [g] they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,

19 The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

20 I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life: and their [i] dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.

21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, [k] which are gone up from you.

22 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to this city; and they shall fight against it, [l] and take it, and burn it with fire: and [m] I will make the cities of Judah a desolation without an inhabitant.

CHAP. XXXV.

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

2 Go unto the house of the [n] Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of the LORD, into one of [o] the chambers, and give them wine to drink.

3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;

4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of Igdaliah, [p] a man of God, which *was* by the chamber of the princes, which *was* above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, [q] the keeper of the [‖] door:

5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, [r] Drink ye wine.

6 But they said, We will drink no wine: for [s] Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, *neither* ye, nor your sons for ever:

7 Neither shall ye build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have *any*: but [t] all your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may live many days in the land where ye *be* strangers.

8 Thus have we [u] obeyed the voice of

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[a] *to day.*
[b] 2 Ki. 23. 3. Ne. 10. 29.
[c] ch. 7. 10.
[†] *where upon my name is called.*
[d] Ex. 20. 7. Le. 19. 12.
[e] Mat. 7. 2. Ga. 6. 7. Ja. 2. 13.
[f] ch. 32. 24, 36.
[‡] *for a removing.*
[g] ch. 29. 18. De. 28. 25, 64.
[h] ch. 32. 35.
[i] Ge. 15. 10, 17.
[k] 2 Ch. 36. 15.
[l] ch. 25. 4...6.
[m] ch. 7. 33. 16. 4. 19. 7.
[n] ch. 18. 11.
[o] Mat. 23. 37 ...39.
[p] ch. 37. 5, 11.
[q] Is. 1. 6. Mal. 1. 6. Lu. 15. 26.. 20.
[r] ch. 52. 7, 13.
[s] ch. 44. 2, 6.
[t] Le. 26. 14. &c. De. 28. 15, &c. Mi. 3. 12.
[u] Pr. 1. 24. Is. 65. 12. 66. 4. Ro. 10. 21.
[v] 2 Ki. 10. 15.
[w] 1 Ch. 2. 55.
[x] 1 Ki. 6. 5.
[y] Ex. 20. 12. De. 5. 16. Ep. 6. 1...3.
[§] *There shall not a man be cut off from Jonadab the son of Rechab to stand, &c.*
[a] De. 33. 1. 1 Sa. 2. 6. 1 Ti. 6. 11. 2 Ti. 3. 17.
[c] ch. 15. 19.
[b] 2 Ki. 12. 9. 22. 18. 1 Ch. 9. 18, 19 Ps. 84. 10.
[‖] *threshold,* or, *vessel.*
[c] Am. 2. 12. 2 Co. 2. 9.
[d] Is. 8. 1. Eze. 2. 9. Zec. 5. 1. Re. 5. 1...6.
[e] ch. 30. 2.
[f] 2 Ki. 10. 15. Pr. 1. 8, 9. 13. 1.
[g] ch. 25. 15, &c.
[h] ch. 25. 3.
[i] 1 Ki. 20. 13. 2 Ti. 2. 25, 26 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[k] He. 11. 9, 10.
[l] Ac. 3. 19. 26. 27.
[m] Col. 3. 20.

Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

9 Nor to build houses for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed

10 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

11 But it came to pass, when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the Syrians: so we dwell at Jerusalem.

12 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Go and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will ye not [a] receive instruction to hearken to my words? saith the LORD.

14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment: [b] notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto me.

15 I [c] have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending *them*, saying, [d] Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, [e] nor hearkened unto me.

16 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father, which he commanded them; but [f] this people hath not hearkened unto me:

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, [g] I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them: [h] because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered.

18 ¶ And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [i] Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [§] Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to [a] stand before me for ever.

CHAP. XXXVI.

AND it came to pass in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, *that* this word came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Take thee a [d] roll of a book, and [e] write therein all the words that I have spoken unto thee against Israel, and against Judah, and against [f] all the nations, from the day I spake unto thee, from the days of [b] Josiah, even unto this day.

3 It [i] may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; [i] that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

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4 Then Jeremiah [a] called Baruch the son of Neriah: and [b] Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.

5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, [d] I *am* shut up; I cannot go into the house of the LORD:

6 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth, the words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD's house upon the/fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.

7 It may be [e] they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will return every one from his evil way: for great *is* the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against this people.

8 And Baruch the son of Neriah [h] did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, [i] reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD's house.

9 And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, in the ninth month, *that* they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Jerusalem, and to all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.

10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of the LORD, in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe, in the higher court, at the ‡entry [l] of the new gate of the LORD's house, in the ears of all the people.

11 ¶ When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, [m] had heard out of the book all the words of the LORD,

12 Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes sat there, *even* Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes.

13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

14 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah,the son of Shelemiah, the son of [o] Cushi, unto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah [p] took the roll in his hand, and came unto them.

15 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read *it* in their ears.

16 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, [p] they were afraid both one and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

17 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words at his mouth?

18 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote *them* with ink in the book.

19 Then said the princes unto Baruch, [d] Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be.

20 ¶ And they went in to the king into the court, but they laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king.

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[a] ch. 32. 12.
[b] ch. 45. 1.
[c] Am. 3. 15.
[d] 2 Co. 11. 23. Ep. 3. 1. 6. 20. 2 Ti. 2. 9. He. 11. 36.
[e] 1 Ki. 22. 8, 27. Ps. 50. 17. Pr. 1. 30, 31. Is. 5. 16, 19. Ro. 22. 19.
[f] La. 16. 23. 23. 27. 32. Ac. 27. 9.
[g] 2 Ki. 22. 11.
[*] *their supplication shall fall.*
[h] Mat. 16. 24. 1 Co. 16. 10. Phi. 2. 19. 22.
[i] Lu. 4. 16, &c.
† or, *of the king.*
[k] Job 23. 13. 33. 14. Zec. 1. 5, 6. Mat. 24. 35.
‡ or, *door.*
[l] ch. 26. 10 2 Ki. 15. 35.
[m] Job 40. 8. Is. 45. 9. Ac. 5. 39. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[n] 2 Ki. 22. 10. Jon. 3. 6.
[o] ch. 22. 20.
[p] ch. 22. 19.
[r] Ge. 31. 40.
§ *visit upon.* ch. 23. 34.
[s] Mat. 23. 37.
[t] Zep. 1. 1.
[u] Ro. 16. 22.
[v] Eze. 2. 6, 7. Mat. 10. 28.
|| *words as they.*
[w] ch. 22. 24. 2 Ki. 24. 17. 2 Ch. 36. 10.
[y] Ac. 24. 25, 26.
[z] Jno. 9. 10, &c.
[a] 1 Th. 4. 8.
[*] *the hand of the prophet.*
[b] ch. 32. 24.
[c] Ac. 8. 24.
[d] 1 Ki. 17. 3. Pr. 28. 12. Lu. 13. 31. Ac 5. 40.
[e] 2 Ki. 24. 7. Eze. 17. 15.
[f] ch. 34. 21.

21 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's chamber. And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which stood beside the king.

22 Now the king sat in [q] the winterhouse in the ninth month: and *there was a fire* on the hearth burning before him.

23 And it came to pass, *that* when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, [r] he cut it with the penknife, and cast *it* into the fire that *was* on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that *was* on the hearth.

24 Yet they were not afraid, nor [s] rent their garments, *neither* the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

25 Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

26 But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son † of Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the LORD hid them.

27 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

28 Take [t] thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

29 And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD: [u] Thou hast burned this roll, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?

30 Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; [v] He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be [r] cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to [r] the frost.

31 And I will § punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them,and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them; [s] but they hearkened not.

32 ¶ Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who [u] wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many || like words.

CHAP. XXXVII.

AND king [x] Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.

2 But [z] neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hearken unto the words of the LORD, which he spake by [*] the prophet Jeremiah.

3 And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and [b] Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, [c] Pray now unto the LORD our God for us.

4 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into prison.

5 Then [d] Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt: [e] and when the Chaldeans

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that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.

6 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

7 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, [a] that sent you unto me to enquire of me; Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you, shall return to Egypt into their own land.

8 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.

9 Thus saith the LORD; [d] Deceive not [*] yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.

10 For [e] though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained *but* [‖] wounded men among them, *yet* should they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire.

11 ¶ And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was [§] broken up from Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army,

12 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, [•] to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.

13 And when he was in the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward *was* there, whose name *was* Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying, [f] Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans.

14 Then [h] said Jeremiah, *It is* [†] false; I fall not away to the Chaldeans. But he hearkened not to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.

15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, [i] and smote him, [m] and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.

16 ¶ When Jeremiah was entered into [*] the dungeon, and into the [‖] cabins, and Jeremiah had remained there many days;

17 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, [p] Is there *any* word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.

18 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, [q] What have I offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in prison?

19 Where *are* now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

20 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: [•] let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there.

21 Then Zedekiah the king commanded that they should commit Jeremiah [u] into the court of the prison, and that they should give him daily a piece of bread out of the bakers' street, [x] until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

THEN Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and [z] Jucal the son of Shelemiah, and [a] Pashur the son of Malchiah, [b] heard the words

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[a] ch. 21. 2.
[b] ch. 21. 10. 32. 3.
[c] ch. 26. 11.
[d] Mat. 24. 4,5. Ga. 6. 3,7. Ep. 5. 6. Ja. 1. 22.
[*] *your souls.*
[e] ch. 21. 4, 5.
[†] *peace.*
[‡] *thrust through.*
[f] ch. 37. 21. Ps. 109. 5.
[§] *made to ascend.*
[‖] or, *of the king.*
[g] He. 10. 36.
[•] or, *to slip away from thence, &c.*
[h] ch. 39. 16.
[i] Lu. 23. 2. Ac. 6. 11. 24.5..9,13. 2 Co. 6. 8.
[k] Mat. 5. 11,12. 1 Pe. 3. 16. 4.14..16.
[†] *falsehood,* or, *a lie.*
[‡] *he will die.*
[l] 2 Co. 11. 23 ..27.
[m] Ge. 39. 20. 2 Ch. 16. 10. 18. 26. Ac. 5. 18. 12. 4..6.
[n] Pr. 21. 1.
[§] *in thine hand.*
[o] ch. 38. 6.
[‖] or, *cells.*
[p] Mar. 6. 20.
[q] Ro. 12. 10, 15.
[r] Jno. 10. 32. Ac. 23. 1. 24. 16. Ga. 4. 16.
[s] ch. 37. 21.
[•] *let my supplication fall.*
[†] or, *principal.*
[u] ch. 38. 13, 28.
[x] Lu. 22. 67, 68
[z] ch. 52. 6.
[y] Nu. 16. 22. 27. 16. Ec. 12. 7. Is. 57. 16. He. 12. 9.
[a] ch. 37. 3.
[a] ch. 21. 1.
[b] ch. 21. 8..10.

that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD, He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have his life for a prey, and shall live.

3 Thus saith the LORD, [b] This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.

4 Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, [c] let this man be put to death: for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeketh not the [†] welfare of this people, but the hurt.

5 Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he *is* in your hand: for the king *is* not *he that* can do *any* thing against you.

6 Then [f] took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son [‖] of Hammelech, that *was* in the court of the prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords. And in the dungeon *there was* no water, but mire: [g] so Jeremiah sunk in the mire.

7 ¶ Now [h] when Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;

8 Ebed-melech went forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king, saying,

9 My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon; and [‡] he is like to die for hunger in the place where he is: for *there is* no more bread in the city.

10 Then [m] the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from hence thirty men [§] with thee, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die.

11 So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah.

12 And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, [r] Put now *these* old cast clouts and rotten rags under thine armholes under the cords. And Jeremiah did so.

13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and Jeremiah remained [s] in the court of the prison.

14 ¶ Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the [†] third entry that *is* in the house of the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah, I will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.

15 Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, [•] If I declare *it* unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I give thee counsel, wilt thou not hearken unto me?

16 So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, [y] that made us this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these men that seek thy life.

17 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; If thou wilt assuredly

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go [a] forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then thy soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and thou shalt live, and thine house:

18 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and [b] thou shalt not escape out of their hand.

19 And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, [c] I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they † mock me.

20 But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver *thee*. [d] Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.

21 But [e] if thou refuse to go forth, this *is* the word that the LORD hath shewed me:

22 And, behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house *shall be* brought forth to the king of Babylon's princes, and those *women* shall say, § Thy friends have set thee on, and have prevailed against thee: thy feet are sunk in the mire, *and* they are turned away back.

23 So they shall bring out all thy wives and [f] thy children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and † thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.

24 ¶ Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say unto thee, Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:

26 Then thou shalt say unto them, [g] I presented my supplication before the king, that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.

27 Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him: [h] and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded. So they § left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.

28 So [i] Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was *there* when Jerusalem was taken.

CHAP. XXXIX.

IN the [j] ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.

2 *And* in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth *day* of the month, the city was [k] broken up.

3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, *even* Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.

4 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of the plain.

5 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains

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[a] ch. 39. 3.
[b] 2 Ki. 24. 12.
[c] 2 Ki. 25. 33.
[d] *spake unto him judgments.* ch. 4. 12.
[e] ch. 34. 3.
[f] ch. 32. 4. Exo. 12. 13.
[g] 1 Sa. 15. 24. Job 31. 34. Pr. 29. 25. Jno. 12. 42. 19.12,13.
† *with two brazen chains*, or, *fetters.*
[h] 1 Sa. 31. 4.
[i] ch. 52. 13. 2 Ki. 25. 9.
[j] Ac. 26. 22. 2Co.5.11,20. 6. 1.
‡ *chief of the executioners*, or *slaughtermen*, or, *chief marshal.* Ge. 37. 36.
[k] He. 12. 25.
§ *The men of thy peace.* Ps. 41. 9.
‖ *in that day.*
[l] ch. 39. 6. 41. 10.
[m] Job 5. 19. Ac. 24. 23.
[n] *by the hand of.*
† *thou shalt burn, &c.*
‡ *set thine eyes upon him.*
[o] Pr. 16. 7. Ac. 7. 10. 1 Pe. 3. 13.
[p] ch. 38. 28.
[q] ch. 40. 5.
[r] ch. 26. 24.
[s] ch. 37. 20.
[t] 1 Sa.16.2..5. Ac. 23. 6.
[u] ch. 38. 7, 12.
§ *were silent from him.*
[v] Jos.23.14,15 2 Ch. 36. 21. Ps. 9. 12. Lu. 21. 33.
[w] 2 Ti. 3. 11. 4.17,18.
[x] Da. 6. 16. Mat. 10. 40. ..42. 25. 40. 2 Ti. 1. 16.. 18.
[y] ch. 52. 4..7. 2Ki.25.1,&c
[z] 1 Ch. 5. 20. Ps. 37. 40. Is. 26. 3. Ep. 1. 12.
[a] Eze. 33. 21. Mi. 2.12,13. Zep. 1. 10.
‖ or, *manicles.*
[b] De. 29. 24. Da. 9. 11. Ro. 2. 5. 3. 19.

of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to [l] Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he [m] gave judgment upon him.

6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

7 Moreover [n] he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him † with chains, to carry him to Babylon.

8 ¶ And [o] the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.

9 Then Nebuzar-adan the ‡captain of the guard carried away captive into Babylon the remnant of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

10 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields [p] at the same time.

11 ¶ Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon [q] gave charge concerning Jeremiah [r] to Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard, saying,

12 Take him, and [s] look well to him, [t] and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.

13 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushasban, Rab-saris, and Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the king of Babylon's princes;

14 Even they sent, [u] and took Jeremiah out of the court of the prison, and committed him [v] unto Gedaliah the son of [w] Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so he dwelt among the people.

15 ¶ Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

16 Go and speak to [x] Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, [y] I will bring my words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and they shall be *accomplished* in that day before thee.

17 But [z] I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD: and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou *art* afraid.

18 For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: [a] because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XL.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in ‖ chains among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried away captive unto Babylon.

2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him, The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.

3 Now the LORD hath brought *it*, and done according as he hath said: [b] because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you.

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4 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which * *were* upon thine hand. [b] If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and I will † look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, [c] all the land *is* before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.

5 Now while he was not yet gone back, *he said*, Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, * whom the king of Babylon hath made governor over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.

6 Then [h] went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to [i] Mizpah; and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.

7 ¶ Now when all the captains of the forces which *were* in the fields, *even* they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of [k] the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, [m] even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

9 And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan sware unto them and to their men, saying, [o] Fear not § to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

10 As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans, which will come unto us: but ye, gather ye wine, and [q] summer fruits, and oil, and put *them* in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye have taken.

11 Likewise when all the Jews that *were* in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that *were* in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan;

12 Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

13 ¶ Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah,

14 And said unto him, Dost thou certainly know that [u] Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent [x] Ishmael the son of Nethaniah * to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam [y] believed them not.

15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, [z] Let me go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know *it*: [a] wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?

16 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, Thou [d] shalt not do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

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* or, are *upon.*

[c] Mat. 10. 16, 17. Ro. 3 8.

[b] ch. 39. 12.

† *set mine eye upon thee.*

[c] Ge. 20. 15.

[d] 2 Ki. 25. 25.

[e] 2 Ki. 25. 22, &c.

[f] Da. 11. 26, 27. Lu. 22. 47, 48. Jno. 13. 18.

[g] Pr. 1. 16. Ro. 3. 15..18

[h] ch. 39. 14.

[i] Ju. 20. 1.

[k] ch. 39. 10.

[l] Le. 19. 27, 28. De. 14. 1. Is. 15. 2.

[m] ch. 41. 1.

[n] 1 Sa. 1. 7. 2 Ki. 25. 9.

‡ *in going and weeping.*

[o] Ge. 49. 15. Pa. 37. 3.

§ *to stand before.* ver. 10. De. 1. 38.

[p] Job 2. 4. Pr. 13. 8.

[q] 2 Sa. 16. 1. Is. 16. 9. Mi. 7. 1.

‖ *by the hand*, or, *by the side of Gedaliah*, or, *near Gedaliah.*

[r] 1 Ki. 15. 22. 2 Ch. 16. 6.

[s] ch. 43. 6.

[t] ch. 40. 7.

[u] ch. 41. 10.

[v] ch. 40. 13.

[x] Pr. 26. 23.. 26. Is. 26. 10. Mi. 7. 5.

* *to strike thee in soul?*

[y] 1 Co. 13. 5..7.

[z] 1 Sa. 24. 4. 26. 8. Job 31. 31.

[a] 2 Sa. 2. 13.

[b] Jno. 11. 50.

CHAP. XLI.

NOW it came to pass in the seventh month, [c] *that* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they [f] did eat bread together in Mizpah.

2 Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and [g] smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land.

3 Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, *even* with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, *and* the men of war.

4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew *it*,

5 That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, *even* fourscore men, [l] having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with offerings and incense in their hand, to bring *them* to [m] the house of the LORD.

6 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, ‡ weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

7 And it was *so*, when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, *and cast them* into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that *were* with him.

8 But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, [p] Slay us not: for we have treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbare, and slew them not among their brethren.

9 Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain ‖ because of Gedaliah, *was it* [r] which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel: *and* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with *them that were* slain.

10 Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that *were* in Mizpah, [s] *even* the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, [t] whom Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

11 ¶ But when Johanan the son of Kareah, and all [v] the captains of the forces that *were* with him, heard of all the evil that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done,

12 Then they took all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and found him by [a] the great waters that *are* in Gibeon.

13 Now it came to pass, *that* when all the people which *were* with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* with him, then they were glad.

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14 So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from Mizpah cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

15 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah [b] escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

16 Then took Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* with him, all the remnant of the people whom he had recovered from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after *that* he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, *even* mighty men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs, whom he had brought again from Gibeon.

17 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of [c] Chimham, which is by Beth-lehem, to go to enter into Egypt,

18 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, [h] whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

CHAP. XLII.

THEN all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, [i] came near,

2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, [‡] Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and [m] pray for us unto the LORD thy God, *even* for all this remnant; (for we are left *but* [n] a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)

3 That the LORD thy God may shew us [p] the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

4 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, I have heard *you;* behold, I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words; and it shall come to pass, *that* [q] whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare *it* unto you; I will [r] keep nothing back from you.

5 Then they said to Jeremiah, [s] The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.

6 Whether [t] *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; [u] that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

7 ¶ And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

8 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces which *were* with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest,

9 And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him;

10 If ye will still abide in this land, then [x] will I build you, and not pull *you* down, and I will plant you, and not pluck *you* up: [d] for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you.

11 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: [e] for I *am* with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.

12 And [f] I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.

B. C. 586.

[a] ch. 44. 16.
[b] Job 21. 30. Pr. 29. 17. Ec. 8. 11, 12.
[c] De. 17. 16. Lu. 9. 51.
[d] Exo. 11. 8. Jon. 11. 46.
[e] *shall cleave*
[f] 2 Sa. 19. 37, 38.
† *all the men be.*
[g] ch. 24. 10.
[h] ch. 44. 14, 28.
[i] ch. 40. 5.
[k] ch. 7. 20. Na. 1. 6 Re. 14. 10.
[l] Zec. 8. 13.
[m] Mat. 15. 8.
‡ or, *Let our supplication fall before thee.*
[n] 1 Sa. 7. 8. 12. 19. Is. 37. 4. Ja. 5. 16.
[o] De. 17. 16.
[p] Le. 26. 22.
§ *testified against you.*
|| or, *ye have used deceit against your souls.*
[q] Exr. 8. 21. Pr. 3. 6. Is. 2. 3. Mi. 4. 2.
[r] Ac. 8. 34. Ja. 5. 16.
[s] 1 Ki. 22. 14.
[t] 1 Sa. 3. 18. Ac. 20. 20.
[u] Ge. 31. 50. Mal. 3. 5. Ro. 1. 9. Re. 1. 5.
[x] Exo. 6. 11.
• or, *to go to sojourn.*
[z] Ro. 7. 13. 8. 7.
[y] ch. 7. 23. De. 6. 3. Is. 3. 10.
[a] Ac. 5. 20. 20. 27.
[c] Hab. 2. 5. Ja. 4. 6.
[b] Mat. 5. 11, 12
[e] ch. 24. 6. 33. 7. Ac. 15. 16.
[d] ch. 18. 8. De. 32. 36.
[e] De. 20. 4. Is. 41. 10. 43. 5. Mat. 28. 20. Ro. 8. 31. 2 Ti. 4. 17.
[f] ch. 40. 11, 12.
[g] Ps. 106. 45. 46. Pr. 16. 7.

13 ¶ But if [a] ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,

14 Saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:

15 And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; If ye [e] wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;

16 Then it shall come to pass, *that* the sword, [d] which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye were afraid, [e] shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

17 So shall † it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die [f] by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and [g] none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.

18 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury hath been [i] poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and [k] ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.

19 ¶ The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah; [m] Go ye not into Egypt: know certainly that I have [§] admonished you this day.

20 For [||] ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying, [r] Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do *it.*

21 And *now* I have this day declared *it* to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God, nor any *thing* for the which he hath sent me unto you.

22 Now therefore know certainly that [•] ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire [•] to go *and* to sojourn.

CHAP. XLIII.

AND it came to pass, *that* when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the people [z] all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, *even* all these words,

2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all [a] the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:

3 But Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against us, [b] for to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans, that they might put us to death, and carry us away captives into Babylon.

4 So Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, and all the people, obeyed not the voice of the LORD, to dwell in the land of Judah.

5 But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took [f] all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from all nations, whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;

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6 *Even* men, and women, and children, [a] and the king's daughters, [b] and every person that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and [c] Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.

7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: thus came they *even* to [d] Tahpanhes.

8 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

9 Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay in the brickkiln, which *is* at the entry of Pharaoh's house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Judah;

10 And say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, [g] my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.

11 And [h] when he cometh, he shall smite the land of Egypt, *and deliver* [i] such *as are* for death to death; and such *as are* for captivity to captivity; and such *as are* for the sword to the sword.

12 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of [m] the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives: and he shall [n] array himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepherd putteth on his garment; and he shall go forth from thence in peace.

13 He shall break also the ‡ images of § Beth-shemesh, that *is* in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.

CHAP. XLIV.

THE word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews which dwell in the land of Egypt, which dwell at [r] Migdol, and at [s] Tahpanhes, and at [t] Noph, and in the country of Pathros, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Ye have seen all the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of Judah; and, behold, this day they *are* a [u] desolation, and no man dwelleth therein,

3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went [v] to burn incense, *and* to [w] serve other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, ye, nor your fathers.

4 Howbeit [x] I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them*, saying, [y] Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.

5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

6 Wherefore [z] my fury and mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; and they are wasted *and* desolate, as at this day.

7 Therefore now thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; Wherefore commit ye *this* great evil [a] against your souls, to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, out of § Judah, to leave you none to remain;

8 In that ye [b] provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that

B. C. 588.

[a] ch. 41. 10.
[b] ch. 39. 10. 40. 7.
[c] *wickedness*, or, *punishments*, &c.
[d] Jno. 21. 16.
[e] ch. 2. 16. 44. 1. Is. 20. 4. *Hanes.*
† *contrite.* Ps. 51. 17.
[f] Pr. 28. 14. Ro. 11. 20.
[g] ch. 21. 10. Le. 17. 10. 20. 5, 6.
Am. 9. 4.
[h] Eze. 29. 18, 20.
[i] ch. 44. 13. 46. 13.
[k] ch. 15. 2. Zec. 11. 9.
[l] ch. 43. 12.
[m] ch. 43. 11.
[n] ch. 46. 25.
[o] Ro. 13. 12. Ep. 4. 24. Col. 3. 12, 14.
‡ *statues*, or, *standing images.*
§ or, *the house of the sun.*
|| *lift up their soul.*
[p] Ro. 9. 27. 11. 5, 6.
[q] Pr. 11. 21. Mat. 7. 13.
[r] ch. 46. 14. Ex. 14. 2.
[s] ch. 43. 7.
[t] Is. 19. 13.
[u] ch. 6. 16.
[v] ver. 25. Nu. 30. 12. De. 23. 23. Ju. 11. 36.
[w] ch. 9. 14. 34. 22.
[x] or, *frame of heaven.*
[y] ch. 19. 4.
[z] De. 13. 6. 32. 17.
† *bread.*
[a] ch. 7. 25. 26. 5. 29. 19. 2 Ch. 36. 15.
[b] 1 Pe. 4. 3.
[c] Nu. 5. 3, 6. Job 21. 14, 15. Mal. 3. 13, 15.
[d] ch. 7. 18.
[e] ch. 42. 18.
[f] De. 7. 3, 4. 1 Ki. 21. 25. 2 Ch. 21. 6.
‡ or, *husbands.*
[g] Nu. 16. 38.
§ *the midst of Judah.*
[h] ch. 25. 6, 7.
[i] Is. 64. 9. Eze. 21. 23, 24. Ho. 7. 2. Am. 8. 7. Re. 16. 19.
[k] Ro. 5. 4, 5. 9. 22. 2 Pe. 3. 7, 9.

9 Have ye forgotten the [c] wickedness of your fathers, and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the wickedness of their wives, and your own wickedness, and the wickedness of your wives, which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?

10 They are not † humbled *even* unto this day, neither have they [e] feared, nor walked in my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.

11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will [f] set my face against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.

12 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, *and* fall in the land of Egypt; they shall *even* be consumed by the sword *and* by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and [k] they shall be an execration, *and* an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.

13 For [l] I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

14 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they [h] have a desire to return to dwell there: for [o] none shall return but such as shall escape.

15 ¶ Then [p] all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

16 *As for* the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, [q] we will not hearken unto thee.

17 But we will certainly do [r] whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the [s] queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem: for *then* had we plenty of † victuals, and were well, and saw no evil.

18 But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, [t] we have wanted all *things*, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine.

19 And [u] when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, [v] without our † men?

20 ¶ Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the people which had given him *that* answer, saying,

21 The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land, [w] did not the LORD remember them, and came it *not* into his mind?

22 So that [x] the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings,

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and because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land [b] a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

23 Because [c] ye have burned incense, and because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD, nor walked in his law, nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies; [d] therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.

24 Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah *that are* in the land of Egypt:

25 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying; Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.

26 Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, [g] I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that [i] my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liveth.

27 Behold, [m] I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.

28 Yet [r] a small number that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose [t] words shall stand, mine, or their's.

29 ¶ And this *shall be* a sign unto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall [v] surely stand against you for evil:

30 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, [x] I will give Pharaoh-hophra king of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life; as I gave [y] Zedekiah king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life.

CHAP. XLV.

THE [a] word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had written these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch;

3 Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; [e] I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

4 ¶ Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus; Behold, [d] *that* which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.

5 And [f] seekest thou great things for thyself? seek *them* not: for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee [i] for a prey in all places whither thou goest.

CHAP. XLVI.

THE word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Gentiles;

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[a] 2 Ki. 23. 29. 2 Ch. 35. 23. Fulfilled presently.
[b] ch. 25. 11, 18. 29. 18.
[c] 1 Co. 10. 20.
[d] ch. 51. 11, 12. Na. 2. 1. 3. 14.
[e] Da. 9. 11, 12.
[f] ch. 43. 7.
[g] *broken in pieces.*
[h] *fled a flight*
[i] ch. 6. 25. 49. 29.
[k] Da. 11. 19.
[l] ch. 47. 2. Is. 8. 7, 8. Da. 11. 22.
[m] Ge. 22. 16.
[n] Eze. 20. 39.
[o] *Cush.*
[p] *Put.*
[q] ch. 1. 10. 31. 28. Eze. 7. 6.
[r] Is. 66. 19.
[s] Is. 13. 6. Joel 1. 15. 2. 1.
[t] De. 32. 42.
[u] Is. 34. 6.
[v] Is. 27. 13.
[x] Eze. 30. 17. Zep. 1. 7.
[y] ver. 17.
[z] *from me, or them.*
[a] Is. 47. 1.
[b] *no cure* shall be *unto thee.*
[c] Ps. 33. 11.
[d] ch. 46. 25, 26. Eze. 29. 3, &c. 30. 21, &c.
[e] ch. 39. 5.
[f] ch. 43. 10, 11. Eze. xxix. xxx. xxxii. Fulfilled 571.
[g] ch. 36. 1, 4, 32
[h] *multiplied the faller.*
[i] Le. 26. 37.
[k] 2 Co. 4. 1, 16. Ga. 6. 9. 2 Th 3. 13. He. 12. 3...5.
[l] Ge. 6. 6, 7. Is. 5. 5.
[m] Is. 47. 4. 48. 2.
[n] Re. 12. 16. 1 Co. 7. 26.. 32. 1 Ti. 6. 6. 9.
[o] ch. 48. 18.
[p] *make thee instruments of captivity.*
[q] Is. 20. 4.
[r] ch. 21. 9. 38. 2. 39. 18.
[s] Ho. 10. 11.

2 Against Egypt, [a] against the army of Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah.

3 Order [d] ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.

4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with *your* helmets; furbish the spears, *and* put on the brigandines.

5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed *and* turned away back? and their mighty ones are [e] beaten down, and are [f] fled apace, and look not back: [g] *for* fear *was* round about, saith the LORD.

6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they shall [h] stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

7 Who *is* this *that* cometh up [i] as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?

8 Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

9 Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; [‡] the Ethiopians and [§] the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, [¶] that handle *and* bend the bow.

10 For this *is* [k] the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and [l] the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts [m] hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

11 Go up into Gilead, and take balm, [n] O virgin, the daughter of Egypt: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; *for* [o] thou shalt not be cured.

12 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, *and* they are fallen both together.

13 ¶ The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come *and* [p] smite the land of Egypt.

14 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahpanhes: say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.

15 Why are thy valiant *men* swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did drive them.

16 He [†] made many to fall, yea, [b] one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword.

17 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt *is but* a noise; he hath passed the time appointed.

18 *As* I live, saith the king, [c] whose name *is* the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor *is* among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, *so* shall he come.

19 O [‖] thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, [‡] furnish thyself [s] to go into captivity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

20 Egypt *is like* a very fair [t] heifer *but* destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north.

21 Also her hired men *are* in the midst

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of her like [a] fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, *and* are fled away together: they did not stand, because [b] the day of their calamity was come upon them, *and* the time of their visitation.

22 The [c] voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.

23 They shall [d] cut down her forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched; because they are more than [e] the grasshoppers, and *are* innumerable.

24 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of [f] the people of the north.

25 The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saith; Behold, I will punish the [g] multitude of [h] No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh, and *all* them that trust in him:

26 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.

27 ¶ But [i] fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid.

28 Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I *am* with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I [k] not leave thee wholly unpunished.

CHAP. XLVII.

THE word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet [a] against the Philistines, [b] before that Pharaoh smote [c] Gaza.

2 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, [d] waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and [e] all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.

3 At the [f] noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong *horses*, at the rushing of his chariots, *and at the* rumbling of his wheels, the fathers shall not look back to *their* children for feebleness of hands;

4 Because of the day that cometh to spoil all the Philistines, *and* to cut off from Tyrus and Zidon every helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of [i] the country of [k] Caphtor.

5 Baldness [l] is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off *with* the remnant of their valley: how long wilt thou cut thyself?

6 O thou [m] sword of the LORD, how long *will it be ere* thou be quiet? [n] put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.

7 How [o] can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath given it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? there hath he appointed it.

CHAP. XLVIII.

AGAINST [a] Moab thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Woe unto [b] Nebo! for it is spoiled: Kiriathaim is confounded *and* taken: [c] Misgab is confounded and dismayed.

2 *There shall be* no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they have devised evil against it; come, and let us cut it off from

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[a] *bullocks of the stall.*
[b] or, *be brought to silence.* Is. 15. 1.
[c] *go after.*
[d] Ps. 37. 13.
[e] Is. 29. 4.
[f] *weeping with weeping.*
[g] Is. 10. 34.
[h] or, *a naked tree.*
[i] Ju. 6. 5.
[k] ch. 1. 15.
[l] Nu. 21. 29.
[m] *Amon*, or, *nourisher.*
[n] Exe. 30. 14.. 16.
Na. 3. 8.
[o] Ps. 55. 6.
[p] Ju. 5. 23.
1 Sa. 15. 3, 9.
1 Ki. 20. 42.
[q] Is. 43. 5.
[r] or, *negligently.*
[s] Zep. 1. 12.
[t] *stood.*
[u] or, *not utterly cut thee off.*
[v] Ju. 11. 24.
1 Ki. 11. 7.
[w] Ho. 10. 6.
[x] Exe. 25. 15, 16.
Zep. 2. 4, 5.
[y] 1 Ki. 12. 29.
[z] Am. 1. 6..8.
[a] *Azzah.*
[b] Is. 16. 6.
[c] Is. 8. 7.
[d] *the choice of his.*
[e] *the fulness thereof.*
[f] ch. 50. 27.
[g] ch. 46. 18. 51. 57.
[h] Na. 3. 2.
[i] Is. 9. 4.
14. 4, 5.
[k] Is. 47. 1.
[l] Nu. 21. 30.
Is. 15. 2.
[m] *the isle.*
[n] Ge. 10. 14.
[o] *inhabitress*
[p] De. 2. 36.
[q] 1 Sa. 4. 13, 16.
[r] Am. 1. 7.
Mi. 1. 16.
Zec. 9. 5.
[s] De. 32. 41.
[t] Is. 16. 7.
[u] Nu. 21. 13.
[v] *gather thyself.*
[w] *canst thou.*
[x] Is. XV. XVI.
Exe. 25. 9.
Am. 2. 1, 2.
[y] Am. 2. 2.
[z] Nu. 32. 38. 33. 47.
[a] or, *The high place.*
[b] Ps. 75. 10.
[c] Exe. 30. 21.
[d] ch. 25. 15, 27.
[e] 2 Th. 2. 4.

being a nation. Also thou shalt [d] be cut down, O Madmen; the sword shall [e] pursue thee.

3 A voice of crying *shall be* from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.

4 Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.

5 For in the going up of Luhith [f] continual weeping shall go up; for in the going down of Horonaim the enemies have heard a cry of destruction.

6 Flee, save your lives, and be like [g] the heath in the wilderness.

7 ¶ For because thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures, thou shalt also be taken: and [h] Chemosh shall go forth into captivity *with* his priests and his princes together.

8 And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as the LORD hath spoken.

9 Give [i] wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.

10 Cursed [k] *be* he that doeth the work of the LORD [l] deceitfully, and cursed *be* he that keepeth back his sword from blood.

11 ¶ Moab hath been at ease from his youth, and he [m] hath settled on his lees, and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither hath he gone into captivity: therefore his taste [n] remained in him, and his scent is not changed.

12 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will send unto him wanderers, that shall cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles.

13 And Moab shall be ashamed of [o] Chemosh, as the house of Israel [p] was ashamed of [q] Beth-el their confidence.

14 ¶ How say ye, [r] We *are* mighty and strong men for the war?

15 Moab is spoiled, and gone up *out of* her cities, and [s] his chosen young men are [t] gone down to the slaughter, saith [u] the king, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.

16 The calamity of Moab *is* near to come, and his affliction hasteth fast.

17 All ye that are about him, bemoan him; and all ye that know his name, say, [v] How is the strong staff broken, *and* the beautiful rod!

18 Thou [w] daughter that dost inhabit [x] Dibon, come down from *thy* glory, and sit in thirst; for the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, *and* he shall destroy thy strong holds.

19 O [y] inhabitant of [z] Aroer, [a] stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that escapeth, *and* say, What is done?

20 Moab is confounded; for it is broken down: [b] howl and cry; tell ye it in [c] Arnon, that Moab is spoiled,

21 And judgment is come upon the plain country; upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephaath,

22 And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim,

23 And upon Kiriathaim, and upon Beth-gamul, and upon Beth-meon,

24 And upon [d] Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.

25 The [e] horn of Moab is cut off, and his [f] arm is broken, saith the LORD.

26 ¶ Make [g] ye him drunken: [h] for he magnified *himself* against the LORD:

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Moab also shall wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

27 For [a] was not Israel a derision unto thee? [b] was he found among thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou †skippedst for joy.

28 O ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and [c] dwell in the rock, and be like the *f* dove *that* maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth.

29 We have heard the [d] pride of Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.

30 I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but *it shall* not *be* so; ‖ his lies shall not so effect *it*.

31 Therefore [e] will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab; *mine heart* shall mourn for the men of Kir-heres.

32 O vine of Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of Jazer: thy plants are gone over the sea, they reach *even* to the sea of Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits and upon thy vintage.

33 And [m]joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of Moab; and I have caused wine to fail from the winepresses: none shall tread with shouting; *their* shouting *shall be* no shouting.

34 From the cry of Heshbon *even* unto Elealeh, *and even* unto Jahaz, have they uttered their voice, from Zoar *even* unto Horonaim, *as* an heifer of three years old: for the waters also of Nimrim shall be § desolate.

35 Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the LORD, [r] him that offereth in the high places, and him that burneth incense to his gods.

36 Therefore mine heart shall sound for Moab like pipes, and mine heart shall sound like pipes for the men of Kir-heres: because the riches *that* he hath gotten are perished.

37 For every head *shall be* bald, and every beard ‖clipped: upon all the hands *shall be* cuttings, and [s] upon the loins sackcloth.

38 *There shall be* lamentation generally upon all the housetops of Moab, and in the streets thereof: for I have broken Moab like [a] a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure, saith the LORD.

39 They shall howl, *saying*, How is it broken down! how hath Moab turned the ‡back with shame! so shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

40 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, [b] he shall fly as an eagle, and shall [d] spread his wings over Moab.

41 § Kerioth is taken, and the strong holds are surprised, and [e] the mighty men's hearts in Moab at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

42 And Moab shall be destroyed ‖ from *being* a people, because he hath magnified *himself* against the LORD.

43 Fear, [h] and the pit, and the snare, *shall be* upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the LORD.

44 He that fleeth from the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that getteth up out of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for [i] I will bring upon it, *even* upon Moab, the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

45 They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon because of the force: but [m] a fire shall come forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and [b] shall devour the corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the [o] tumultuous ones.

46 Woe [d] be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken ‡captives, and thy daughters captives.

47 [r] Yet will I bring again the captivity of Moab in the latter days, saith the LORD. Thus *far is* the judgment of Moab.

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[a] Zep. 2. 8.
[b] Nu. 24. 17.
[c] ch. 2. 26.
[o] *children of noise.*
† or, *moveddst thyself.*
[d] Nu. 21. 29.
[e] Ps. 55. 6, 7.
‡ *in captivity.*
[f] Ca. 2. 14.
[d] Is. 16. 6, &c. Lu. 14. 11.
§ or, *against.*
[h] Exo. 21. 28. Am. 1. 13. Zep. 2. 8, 9.
‖ or, *those on whom he stayeth* (Heb. *his bars*) *do not right.*
[o] or, *Melcom.*
[i] Is. 15. 5. 16. 7, 11.
[k] Am. 1. 13.
[l] Exe. 25. 5.
[m] Joel 1. 12.
[n] ch. 4. 8. 6. 26. Is. 32. 11.
† or, *Melcom.* 1Ki. 11. 5, 33.
[o] ch. 48. 7.
‡ or, *thy valley floweth away.*
[p] ch. 3. 14.
§ *desolations.*
[r] Is. 15. 2.
[s] ch. 48. 47.
[t] Exe. 25. 12. Am. 1. 11.
[u] Ob. 8.
[v] Is. 19. 11.
‖ *diminished.*
[x] Ge. 37. 34.
[o] or, *they are turned back*
[y] Ob. 5.
[z] ch. 22. 28.
† *their sufficiency.*
[a] Mal. 1. 3.
‡ *neck.*
[b] Is. 17. 14.
[c] De. 28. 49. Da. 7. 4. Ho. 8. 1. Hab. 1. 8.
[d] Is. 8. 8.
§ or, *The cities.*
[e] ch. 30. 6. 51. 30. Is. 13. 8. 21. 3. Mi. 4. 9.
[f] ch. 25. 29. Ob 16.
[g] Ps. 83. 4. Is. 7. 8.
[h] Is. 24. 17, 18.
[i] Ge. 22. 16. Is. 45. 23. Am. 6. 8. He. 3. 18. 6. 13.
[k] Is. 31. 6. 63. 1.
[l] ch. 11. 23.
[m] Ob. 1. 4.
[n] Nu. 21. 28.

CHAP. XLIX.

CONCERNING § the [k] Ammonites, thus saith the LORD; Hath Israel no sons? hath he no heir? why *then* doth [o] their king inherit [k] Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?

2 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in [l] Rabbah of the Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith the LORD.

3 Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, [m] gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro by the hedges; for † their king shall go into captivity, *and* his [o] priests and his princes together.

4 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, ‡ thy flowing valley, O [p] backsliding daughter? that trusted in her treasures, *saying*, Who shall come unto me?

5 Behold, I will bring a fear upon thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts, from all those that be about thee; and ye shall be driven out every man right forth; and none shall gather up him that wandereth.

6 And [r] afterward I will bring again the captivity of the children of Ammon, saith the LORD.

7 ¶ Concerning [t] Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts; [u] *Is* wisdom no more in Teman? [v] is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?

8 Flee ye, [x] turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time *that* I will visit him.

9 If [y] grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave *some* gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, they will destroy † till they have enough.

10 But [z] I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and [b] he *is* not.

11 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve *them* alive; and let thy widows trust in me.

12 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, they [c] whose judgment *was* not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunken; and *art* thou he *that* shall altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink *of it*.

13 For [d] I have sworn by myself, saith the LORD, that [e] Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes.

14 I have heard a [m] rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent unto the heathen, *saying*, Gather ye together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle.

15 For, lo, I will make thee small

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among the heathen, *and* despised among men.

16 Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, *and* the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy [b] nest as high as the eagle, [c] I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.

17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.

18 As [d] in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD, [f] no man shall abide there, neither shall a son of man dwell in it.

19 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the [g] swelling of Jordan against the habitation of the strong: but I will suddenly make him run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man, that* I may appoint over her? for [h] who *is* like me? and who will [i] appoint me the time? and [k] who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?

20 Therefore hear the [l] counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Edom; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitations desolate with them.

21 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the noise thereof was heard in the † Red sea.

22 Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread his wings over Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the mighty men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

23 ¶ Concerning [p] Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad: for they have heard evil tidings: they are ‖ fainthearted; *there is* [r] sorrow [s] on the sea; it cannot be quiet.

24 Damascus is waxed feeble, *and* turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on *her*: [t] anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail.

25 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy!

26 Therefore [u] her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD of hosts.

27 And I will kindle a [y] fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Ben-hadad.

28 ¶ Concerning [a] Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon shall smite, thus saith the LORD; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil [b] the men of the east.

29 Their [c] tents and their flocks shall they take away: they shall take to themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry unto them, Fear *is* on every side.

30 ¶ Flee, † get you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel against you, and hath conceived a purpose against you.

31 Arise, get you up unto [b] the ‡ wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care, saith the LORD, which have neither gates nor bars, *which* [m] dwell alone.

32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will [n] scatter into all winds [o] them *that are* [o] in the utmost corners; and I

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[a] Mal. 1. 3.
[b] Job 39. 27. Am. 9. 2.
[c] ch. 25. 25. Ac. 2. 9.
[d] Ge. 19. 25. De. 29. 23. Am. 4. 11. 2 Pe. 2. 6. Jude 7.
[f] Re. 18. 21, 23.
[g] ch. 12. 5.
[h] Ex. 15. 11.
[i] or, *convent me in judgment.*
[k] Job 41. 10. Re. 6. 17.
[l] Ac. 4. 28. Ep. 1. 11.
[m] ch. 43. 10.
[n] ch. 48. 47.
[o] Is. 13. 1. 21. 1. 47. 1.
† *weedy sea.*
‡ *by the hand of Jeremiah.*
§ *lift up.*
[p] Is. 46. 1.
[r] Zec. 9. 1, 2.
‖ *melted.*
[s] Is. 57. 20.
[t] or, *as on the sea.*
[u] ch. 48. 41. Is. 13. 8.
[y] Ho. 8. 14.
[a] Am. 2. 11.
[b] ch. 31. 9. Esr. 3. 12, 13 Ps. 126. 5, 6. Zec. 12. 10.
[c] ch. 50. 30.
[z] Ho. 3. 5.
[x] Am. 1. 4.
[a] Is. 53. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 25.
[b] Ju. 6. 3. Job 1. 3.
† *place to lie down in.*
[c] Ps. 120. 5.
[d] Ps. 79. 7.
[e] ch. 40. 2, 3. Zec. 11. 5.
[f] ch. 2. 3. De. 9. 16.
[g] Ps. 90. 1. 91. 1.
[h] Ps. 22. 4.
‡ *All greatly.*
[i] Is. 48. 20. Zec. 2. 6, 7. Re. 18. 4.
[k] Eze. 38. 11.
§ or, *nation that is at ease.*
[l] ch. 15. 14. 51. 27.
[m] Nu. 23. 9. De. 33. 28. Mi. 7. 14.
‖ or, *destroyer.*
[n] Eze. 5. 10.
[o] ch. 9. 26.
P 2 Sa. 1. 22.
[o] *cut off into corners*, or, *that have the corners of their hair polled.*
[r] Re. 17. 16

will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.

33 And Hazor [s] shall be a dwelling for dragons, *and* a desolation for ever: there shall no man abide there, nor *any* son of man dwell in it.

34 ¶ The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against [t] Elam in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

35 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.

36 And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.

37 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their life: and I will bring evil upon them, *even* my fierce anger, saith the LORD; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:

38 And I will [u] set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the LORD.

39 ¶ But it shall come to pass [y] in the latter days, *that* I will bring again the captivity of Elam, saith the LORD.

CHAP. L.

THE word that the LORD spake [a] against Babylon *and* against the land of the Chaldeans † by Jeremiah the prophet.

2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and ‡ set up a standard; publish, *and* conceal not: say, Babylon is taken, [b] Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces; her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.

3 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.

4 ¶ In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, [c] they and the children of Judah together, [d] going and weeping: they shall go, [e] and seek the LORD their God.

5 They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, *saying*, Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant *that* shall not be forgotten.

6 My people hath been [z] lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away *on* the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their † resting place.

7 All that found them have [d] devoured them: and [e] their adversaries said, [f] We offend not, because they have sinned against the LORD, [g] the habitation of justice, even the LORD, [h] the hope of their fathers.

8 Remove [i] out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goats before the flocks.

9 ¶ For, [l] lo, I will raise and cause to come up against Babylon an assembly of great nations from the north country: and they shall set themselves in array against her; from thence she shall be taken: their arrows *shall be* as of a mighty ‖ expert man; [p] none shall return in vain.

10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: [r] all that

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spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.

11 Because [a] ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are grown [b] fat as the heifer at grass, and [†] bellow as bulls;

12 Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed: behold, the hindermost of the nations *shall be* a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

13 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly desolate: every one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.

14 Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she hath sinned against the LORD.

15 Shout against her round about: she hath [f] given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down: for [g] it *is* the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance upon her; [h] as she hath done, do unto her.

16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the [‖] sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword [i] they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee every one to his own land.

17 ¶ Israel *is* a scattered sheep; the lions have driven *him* away: first [k] the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this [l] Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.

19 And [m] I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.

20 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, [n] the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be* none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for [p] I will pardon them whom I reserve.

21 ¶ Go up against the land [†] of Merathaim, *even* against it, and against the inhabitants of [‡] Pekod: waste and utterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and do [h] according to all that I have commanded thee.

22 A sound of battle *is* in the land, and of great destruction.

23 How is [d] the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, [f] and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striven against the LORD.

25 The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth [i] the weapons of his indignation: for this *is* the work of the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.

26 Come against her [§] from the utmost border, open her storehouses: [k] cast her up as heaps, and destroy her utterly: let nothing of her be left.

27 Slay all her [l] bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.

28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.

29 Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: [m] recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: [d] for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel.

30 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD.

31 Behold, [n] I *am* against thee, *O thou* most proud, saith the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time *that* I will visit thee.

32 And [§] the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him.

33 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The children of Israel and the children of Judah *were* oppressed together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.

34 Their Redeemer *is* strong; [‡] the LORD of hosts *is* his name: he shall [‡] throughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

35 ¶ A sword *is* upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and [o] upon her princes, and upon [p] her wise *men*.

36 A sword *is* [r] upon the [•] liars; and they shall dote: a sword *is* upon her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.

37 A sword *is* upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all [t] the mingled people that *are* in the midst of her; and [u] they shall become as women: a sword *is* upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed.

38 A [x] drought *is* upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it *is* the land of graven images, and they are mad upon *their* idols.

39 Therefore [z] the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein: [a] and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

40 As [c] God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD; *so* shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.

41 Behold, [e] a people shall come from the north, and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

42 They [f] shall hold the bow and the lance: they *are* cruel, and will not shew mercy: [g] their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, *every one* put in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

43 The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble; anguish took hold of him, *and* pangs as of a woman in travail.

44 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who [‡] is a chosen *man*, *that* I may appoint over her? for who is like me? and who

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[a] Is. 47. 6.
[b] *big*, or, *corpulent*.
[c] Ho. 10. 11.
[†] or, *neigh as steeds*.
[d] Re. 18. 6.
[e] Is. 47. 10. 2 Th. 2. 4.
[f] Ja. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[‡] *pride*.
[§] *pride*.
[g] 1 Ch. 29. 24. 2 Ch. 30. 8. La. 5. 6. Eze. 17. 18.
[h] ch. 51. 6, 11.
[i] Ps. 137. 8. Re. 18. 6.
[‖] or, *scythe*.
[k] Is. 13. 14.
[l] Is. 47. 4.
[m] Ps. 33. 1. 43. 1. Pr. 22. 23. Mi. 7. 9.
[n] 2 Ki. 17. 6.
[o] 2 Ki. 24. 10. 14.
[p] Da. 5. 30.
[r] Is. 47. 13.
[s] Is. 44. 25. 2 Th. 2. 9..11
[•] *bars*, or, *chief stays*.
[t] Is. 65. 10. Eze. 34. 13. 14.
[u] Eze. 30. 5.
[x] Na. 3. 13.
[z] ch. 31. 34. Ac. 3. 19, 26. Re. 8. 33, 34. He. 8. 10. 12
[a] Is. 44. 27. Re. 16. 12.
[b] Is. 9. Re. 11. 6, 25. 27.
[†] or, *of the rebels*. Eze. 23. 23.
[‡] Is. 13. 21, 22. Re. 18. 2.
[c] or, *visitation*.
[d] Is. 13. 20.
[e] 2 Sa. 16. 11. 2 Ki. 18. 25. 2 Ch. 36. 23. Is. 10. 6. 44. 28. 45. 14.
[f] Ge. 19. 25.
[g] Is. 14. 6.
[h] Re. 17. 16.
[i] Da. 5. 30, 31.
[k] ch. 6. 22.
[l] Is. 5. 30.
[§] *from the end*.
[‖] or, *tread her*.
[m] Ps. 22. 12. Is. 34. 7.
[n] Is. 46. 11.

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will [a] appoint me the time? and [a] who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?

45 Therefore hear ye [b] the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make *their* habitation desolate with them.

46 At [c] the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations.

CHAP. LI.

THUS saith the LORD; Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the ‡ midst of them that rise up against me, [d] a destroying wind;

2 And will send unto Babylon [e] fanners, that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

3 Against *him that* bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against *him that* lifteth himself up in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; destroy ye utterly all her host.

4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and *they that are* thrust through in her streets.

5 For [f] Israel *hath* not *been* forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts; though [g] their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.

6 Flee [h] out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD'S vengeance; [i] he will render unto her a recompence.

7 Babylon [k] *hath been* a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, that made all the earth drunken: [l] the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations [m] are mad.

8 Babylon is suddenly [n] fallen and destroyed: howl for her; [o] take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

9 We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and [p] let us go every one into his own country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up *even* to the skies.

10 The LORD hath [q] brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.

11 Make [r] bright the arrows; gather the shields: [s] the LORD hath raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes: for his device *is* against Babylon, to destroy it; because it *is* the [t] vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his temple.

12 Set [u] up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set up the watchmen, prepare the † ambushes: for the LORD hath both devised and done that which he spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.

13 O [v] thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, [w] thine end is come, *and* [x] the measure of thy covetousness.

14 The [y] LORD of hosts hath sworn ‡by himself, *saying*, Surely I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers; and they shall § lift up a shout against thee.

15 He [z] hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and [a] hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding.

16 When he uttereth *his* voice, *there is* a [b] multitude of waters in the heavens; and [c] he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.

17 Every man ‖ is brutish by *his* knowledge; every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image *is* falsehood, and *there is* no breath in them.

18 They *are* vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

19 The portion of Jacob *is* not like them; for he *is* the former of all things: and *Israel is* the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts *is* his name.

20 Thou [d] *art* my battle ax *and* weapons of war: for § with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms;

21 And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;

22 With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman; and with thee will I break in pieces [e] old and young; and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;

23 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

24 And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.

25 Behold, I *am* against thee, [f] O destroying mountain, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, [g] and will make thee a burnt mountain.

26 And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations; but thou shalt be ‖ desolate for ever, saith the LORD.

27 Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.

28 Prepare against her the nations with ‡ the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.

29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed against Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.

30 The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in *their* holds: their might hath failed; [h] they became as women: they have burned her dwellingplaces; [i] her bars are broken.

31 One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken at *one* end,

32 And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.

33 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; The daughter of Babylon *is* [k] like a threshingfloor, ‖ [l] *it is* [m] time to thresh her: yet a little while, [n] and the time of her harvest shall come.

34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Baby-

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[a] or, *convent me to plead*
[b] Job 41. 10.
[c] Ps. 135. 7. Is. 14. 24, &c Ac. 4. 28. Ep. 1. 11.
† or, *is more brutish than to know.*
[d] Re. 18. 9.
[e] Is. 10. 5, 15.
‡ *heart.*
§ or, *in thee*, or, *by thee.*
[f] ch. 4. 11. 2 Ki. 19. 7. Ho. 13. 15.
[g] ch. 15. 7. Mat. 3. 12.
[h] 2 Ch. 36. 17.
[i] De. 31. 6. 1 Sa. 12. 22. 1 Ki. 6. 13. Is. 49. 14, 15. 54. 4...10. Ro. 11. 1, 2.
[k] Ho. 4. 1.
Mi. 7. 18, 20. Zep. 3. 1...5.
[l] 1 Ti. 5. 22. Re. 18. 4.
[m] Is. 13. 2. Zec. 4. 7.
[n] ch. 25. 14.
[o] Re. 17. 4.
[p] Re. 8. 8.
[q] Re. 14. 8.
[r] ch. 25. 16.
[s] Is. 21. 9.
[t] ch. 46. 11.
‖ *everlasting desolations.*
[u] Is. 13. 4.
[v] Ps. 37. 6.
[w] *pure.*
[x] Ge. 10. 2. Da. 5. 26, 31.
[y] Is. 13. 17.
[z] Zec. 12. 2, 3. 14. 2, 12.
[a] Na. 2. 1. 3. 14.
† *liers in wait.*
[b] Is. 19. 16.
[c] Re. 17. 1, 15.
[d] La. 2. 9. Am. 1. 5.
[e] Ge. 6. 13.
[f] Is. 5. 5. 9.
[g] Je. 4. 7.
[h] Lu. 12. 19.. 21. 2 Pe. 2. 3, 14. 15.
[i] Am. 6. 8.
‡ *by his soul.*
§ *utter.*
[k] Ge. 1. 1, 6.
[l] Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 2. Is. 40. 22.
[m] Is. 21. 10. Mi. 4. 13.
‖ or, *in the time that he thresheth her.*
[n] Is. 41. 15. Hab. 3. 12.
[o] Is. 17. 5, &c. Ho. 6. 11. Joel 3. 13. Mat. 13. 30, 39. Re. 14. 15, 18.
[p] or, *noise.*

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lon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates, he hath cast me out.

35 * The violence done to me and to my † flesh *be* upon Babylon, shall the ‡ inhabitant of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.

36 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will plead thy cause, and [a] take vengeance for thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.

37 And [b] Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, [c] an astonishment,andan hissing,without aninhabitant.

38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall [§] yell as lions' whelps.

39 In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the LORD.

40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

41 How is [d] Sheshach taken! and how is [e] the praise of the whole earth surprised! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!

42 The [f] sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.

43 Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth *any* son of man pass thereby.

44 And [g] I will punish Bel in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up: and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea, the wall of Babylon shall fall.

45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and [h] deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

46 And ‖ lest your heart faint, and ye fear [i] for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall both come *one* year, and after that in *another* year *shall come* a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

47 Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will * do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.

48 Then [m] the heaven and the earth, and all that *is* therein, shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north, saith the LORD.

49 ‡ As Babylon *hath caused* the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of all [§] the earth.

50 Ye [n] that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

51 We [o] are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD'S house.

52 Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.

53 Though [p] Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, *yet* from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD.

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* *My violence.*
† or, *remainder.*
‡ *inhabitress.*
[a] ch. 50. 29. Ps. 94. 1. 2 Th. 1. 6. Re. 19. 2.
[b] Ro. 12. 19. He.10.30,31
[c] Is. 13. 22. Re. 18. 2.
[d] ch. 25. 9,18.
[e] ch. 46. 18. 48. 15.
§ or, *shake themselves.*
‖ or, *The walls of broad Babylon.*
* or, *made naked.*
[f] Hab. 2. 13.
[g] ch. 25. 26.
[h] Is. 13. 19. Da. 4. 30.
† or, *on the behalf of.*
[i] Is. 8. 7, 8. Lu. 21. 25.
‡ or, *prince of Menuchoth, or, chief chamberlain.*
[k] Is. 46. 1.
[l] Col. 4. 16.
[m] ch. 50. 3,39.
§ *desolations.*
[n] Ac. 2. 40. 2 Co. 6. 17.
[o] Re. 18. 21.
‖ or, *let not.*
[p] 2 Ki. 19. 7. ver. 38.
[r] Job 31. 40. Ps. 72. 20.
* *visit upon.*
[s] 2 Ki. 24. 18.
† *reigned.*
[u] Is. 44. 23. 49. 13. Re. 18. 20.
‡ or, *Both Babylon is to fall, O ye slain of Israel, and with Babylon, &c.*
[x] Pr. 23. 2.
§ or, *the country.*
[y] ch. 44. 28.
[z] ch. 39. 1. 2 Ki. 25. 1. 27. Zec. 8. 19.
[a] Ps.44.15,16. 79. 4.
[b] Lo. 25. 25. Lu. 19. 43. 21. 20.
[c] Am. 9. 2. Ob. 4.
[d] De.28.52,53 28. 21.

54 A sound of a cry *cometh* from Babylon, and great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans:

55 Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

56 Because the spoiler is come upon her, *even* upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken: [a] for the LORD God of recompences shall surely requite.

57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise *men*, her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith * the king, whose name is the LORD of hosts.

58 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; ‖ The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly * broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and [f] the people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary.

59 ¶ The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, when he went † with Zedekiah the king of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. And *this* Seraiah *was a* ‡ quiet prince.

60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, *even* all these words that are written against Babylon.

61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and [l] shalt read all these words;

62 Then shalt thou say, O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that [m] none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be § desolate for ever.

63 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, * *that* thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates:

64 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: [r] and they shall be weary. [s] Thus far *are* the words of Jeremiah.

CHAP. LII.

ZEDEKIAH *was* [t] one and twenty years old when he † began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

3 For * through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

4 ¶ And it came to pass in the [y] ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, *that* Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and [z] pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.

5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

6 And in the fourth month, in the ninth *day* of the month, [a] the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land.

7 Then the city was broken up, and all

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EASTERN LADY WITH PAINTED EYES.—*Taylor.*—Jer. iv. 30.



POTTER AT WORK.—*Description de l' Egypte.*—Jer. xviii. 3.



EASTERN BAKER AND OVEN.—*Description de l' Egypte.*—Jer. xxxvii. 21.

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the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which *was* by the king's garden; (now the Chaldeans *were* by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.

8 ¶ But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.

9 Then [a] they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; where he gave judgment upon him.

10 And [b] the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.

11 Then he † put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in § chains, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in ‖ prison till the day of his death.

12 ¶ Now [f] in the fifth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, [g] which *was* the nineteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, [h] came Nebuzar-adan, ‡ captain of the guard, *which* § served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem,

13 And [i] burned the house of the LORD, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, and all the houses of the great *men*, burned he with fire:

14 And all the army of the Chaldeans, that *were* with the captain of the guard, brake down all the walls of Jerusalem round about.

15 Then Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive *certain* of the poor of the people, and the residue of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.

16 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left *certain* of the poor of the land for vinedressers and for husbandmen.

17 Also the [m] pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon.

18 The [n] caldrons also, and the [o] shovels, and the snuffers, and the [p] bowls, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.

19 And the basons, and the ‡ firepans, and the bowls, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoons, and the cups; *that* which *was* of gold *in* gold, and *that* which *was* of silver *in* silver, took the captain of the guard away.

20 The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brasen bulls that *were* under the bases, which king Solomon had made in the house of the LORD: ‖ the [m] brass of all these vessels was without weight.

21 And *concerning* the [q] pillars, the

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[a] *threw.* ch. 39. 4.
[b] 1 Ki. 7. 20. Ezr. 12. 13.
[c] 2 Ki. 25. 18.
[d] ch. 21. 1. 39. 25.
† *blinded.*
‡ *threshold.* Ps. 84. 10.
§ or, *fetters.*
‖ *house of the wards.*
[e] *saw the face of the king.*
[f] Zec. 7. 5. 8. 19.
† or, *scribe of the captain of the host.*
[g] ver. 29.
[h] ch. 39. 9.
‡ *chief of the executioners,* or *slaughtermen,* or, *chief marshal.* ver. 14, &c.
§ *stood before.*
[i] Ps. 74. 6. 8. 79. 1. Is. 64. 10, 11.
[k] 2 Ki. 24. 2.
[l] 2 Ki. 24. 12.
[m] ver. 12.
‖ *souls.* Ge. 12. 5. Ex. 1. 5.
[n] ch. 27. 19. 1 Ki. 7. 15, 23, 27, 50.
[o] 2 Ki. 25. 27. 30.
[p] Ex. 27. 3. 2 Ki. 25. 14. 16.
[o] or, *instruments to remove the ashes.*
† or, *basons.*
[r] Ge. 40. 13, 20 Job 22. 29. Ps. 3. 3. 27. 6.
‡ or, *censers.*
§ *good things with him.*
[s] 2 Sa. 9. 13. 1 Ki. 2. 7.
[t] Mat. 6. 11.
‖ *their brass.*
[m] 1 Ki. 7. 47.
[u] *the matter of the day in his day.* Lu. 11. 3.
[q] 2 Ki. 25. 17.

height of one pillar *was* eighteen cubits; and a [m] fillet of twelve cubits did compass it; and the thickness thereof *was* four fingers: *it was* hollow.

22 And a chapiter of brass *was* upon it; and the height of one chapiter *was* five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the chapiters round about, all *of* brass. The second pillar also and the pomegranates *were* like unto these.

23 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; *and* [b] all the pomegranates upon the network *were* an hundred round about.

24 ¶ And [d] the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, [e] and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the † door:

25 He took also out of the city an eunuch, which had the charge of the men of war; and seven men of them that [u] were near the king's person, which were found in the city; and the † principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and threescore men of the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city.

26 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

27 And the king of Babylon smote them, and put them to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath. Thus Judah was carried away captive out of his own land.

28 This [k] *is* the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive: in the [l] seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty:

29 In [m] the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two ‖ persons:

30 In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the persons *were* four thousand and six hundred.

31 ¶ And [o] it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the *first* year of his reign [r] lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison,

32 And spake § kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon,

33 And changed his prison garments: [s] and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.

34 And *for* his diet, there was [t] a continual diet given him of the king of Babylon, [u] every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Ch. IV. 30.—WOMAN WITH PAINTED EYES. The custom of tinging the eyes with a dark powder has obtained from time immemorial among the eastern women. The ancients called this powder stibium or antimony, but it is rather a rich lead ore, not unlike that used in our drawing pencils. The custom is here especially noticed as supplying one of the arts of attraction used by the courtezan, and the "rending," or distending the eyes, may imply the using the powder to excess. It is a strong figure to intimate the loathsome state of Jerusalem.

Ch. XVIII.—POTTER. The potter is frequently mentioned in Scripture: see *Jer.* xviii. 3; Ecclesiasticus xxxviii. 29, 30, &c. The trade needs no explanation. The potter is used as an emblem of God's power and sovereignty, Ps. ii. 9; Jer. xviii. 6; Rom. ix.

Ch. XXVII.—EASTERN BAKER. In the more ancient times an oven was intended to bake bread for a single family. Hence an allusion expressive of scarcity in Lev. xxvi. 26, that ten women should bake bread in one oven, meaning that there would be so small a supply that one small oven would bake for ten families instead of one. There were, however, anciently, as there now are, public bake-houses.

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The LAMENTATIONS of JEREMIAH.

Bewailing over the desolations of Jerusalem and the captivity of Judah.

CHAP. I.

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HOW doth the city sit solitary, *that was* full of people! [a] *how* is she become as a widow! she *that was* great among the nations, *and* [c] princess among the provinces, *how* is she become tributary!

2 She [d] weepeth sore in the [e] night, and her tears *are* on her cheeks: [f] among all her lovers she hath none to comfort *her*: all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.

3 Judah [g] is gone into captivity because of affliction, and [†] because of great servitude: [h] she dwelleth among the heathen, she findeth no rest: all her persecutors overtook her between the straits.

4 The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she [i] is in bitterness.

5 Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper; for the LORD hath afflicted her [k] for the multitude of her transgressions: her [l] children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

6 And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become like harts *that* find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

7 Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her [‖] pleasant things that she had in the days of old, when her people fell into the hand of the enemy, and none did help her: the adversaries saw her, *and* did mock at her sabbaths.

8 Jerusalem [e] hath grievously sinned; therefore she [†] is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because [m] they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.

9 Her filthiness *is* in her skirts; she remembereth not her last end; therefore she came down wonderfully: she had no comforter. O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified *himself*.

10 The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her [‡] pleasant things: for she hath seen *that* the heathen entered into her sanctuary, whom thou didst command *that* [o] they should not enter into thy congregation.

11 All her people sigh, [h] they seek bread; they have given their pleasant things for meat [‖] to relieve the soul: see, O LORD, and consider; for I am become vile.

12 ¶ [p] *Is it* nothing to you, all ye that [†] pass by? behold, and see [d] if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted *me* in the day of his fierce anger.

13 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them: he hath spread a net for my feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate *and* faint all the day.

14 The yoke of my transgressions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, *and* come up upon my neck: he hath made my strength to fall, the Lord hath delivered me into *their* hands, *from whom* I am not able to rise up.

15 The Lord hath trodden under foot all my mighty *men* in the midst of me: he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men: [b] the Lord hath trodden [n] the virgin, the daughter of Judah, *as* in a winepress.

16 For these *things* I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the comforter that should [†] relieve my soul is far from me: my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.

17 Zion spreadeth forth her hands, *and there is* none to comfort her: the LORD hath commanded concerning Jacob, *that* his adversaries *should be* round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

18 ¶ The LORD is [c] righteous; for I have [k] rebelled against his [§] commandment: hear, I pray you, all people, and behold my sorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into captivity.

19 I called for my lovers, *but* [l] they deceived me: my priests and mine elders gave up the ghost in the city, while they sought their meat to relieve their souls.

20 Behold, O LORD; for I *am* in distress: my [m] bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: [n] abroad the sword bereaveth, at home *there is* as death.

21 They have heard that I sigh: *there is* none to comfort me: all mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad that thou hast done *it*: thou wilt bring [o] the day *that* thou hast [p] called, and they shall be like unto me.

22 Let [q] all their wickedness come before thee; and do unto them, as thou hast done unto me for all my transgressions: for my sighs *are* many, and my heart is faint.

CHAP. II.

HOW hath the Lord covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, [r] *and* cast down from heaven unto the earth [s] the beauty of Israel, and remembered not [n] his footstool in the day of his anger!

2 The Lord hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and hath not pitied: he hath thrown down in his wrath the strong holds of the daughter of Judah; he hath [§] brought *them* down to the ground: [t] he hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.

3 He hath cut off in *his* fierce anger all the horn of Israel: [u] he hath drawn back his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, *which* devoureth round about.

4 He [v] hath bent his bow like an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew [‡] all *that were* pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he poured out his fury like fire.

5 The [w] Lord was as an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her palaces: he hath destroyed his strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah mourning and lamentation.

6 And he hath violently [x] taken away his [§] tabernacle, [y] as *if it were of* a garden: he hath destroyed his places of the assembly: the LORD hath caused the

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[a] Is. 47. 7, 8.
[b] Is. 63. 3. Re. 14. 19, 20. 19. 15.
[c] or, *the winepress of the virgin.*
[d] Exr. 4. 20.
[e] Je. 13. 17.
[f] Job 7. 3. Ps. 6. 6.
[g] Je. 4. 30. 30. 14.
[†] *bring back.*
[h] Je. 52. 27.
[i] *for the greatness of servitude.*
[k] De. 28. 64, 65.
[l] Ne. 9. 33. Da. 9. 7, 14.
[m] 1 Sa. 12. 14, 15.
[§] *mouth.*
[n] Je. 30. 14.
[m] Je. 30 14, 15. Da. 9. 7, 16.
[n] Je. 52. 28.
[o] Job 30. 27. Is. 16. 11. Ho. 11. 8.
[p] De. 32. 25. Eze. 7. 15.
[‖] or, *desirable.*
[r] ver. 10. Is. 13. 8, &c. Je. 46. 10. &c.
[s] or, *proclaimed.*
[t] Ps. 109. 15.
[u] 1 Ki. 8. 46.
[†] *is become a removing,* or, *wandering.*
[w] Je. 13. 22, 26. Eze. 16. 37. Ho. 2. 10.
[x] Mat. 11. 23.
[y] 2 Sa. 1. 19.
[z] 1 Ch. 28. 2.
[‡] or, *desirable.*
[a] De. 23. 3. Ne. 13. 1.
[§] *made to touch.*
[b] Ps. 89. 39.
[c] Je. 38. 9.
[‖] or, *to make the soul to come again.*
[d] Ps. 74. 11.
[e] or, It is *nothing.*
[†] *pass by the way.*
[f] Da. 9. 12.
[g] Is. 63. 10.
[h] *Exe. 24. 25.*
[‡] *the desirable of the eye.*
[i] Je. 30 14.
[k] Ps. 80. 12. Is. 5. 5.
[§] or, *hedge.*
[l] Is 1. 8.

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solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.

7 The Lord hath cast off his altar, he hath abhorred his sanctuary, he hath [a]given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the LORD, as in the day of a solemn feast.

8 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: [b] he hath stretched out a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from [†]destroying: therefore he made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.

9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: [c] her king and her princes *are* among the Gentiles: [d] the law *is* no *more*; her [e] prophets also find no vision from the LORD.

10 The elders of the daughter of Zion [f] sit upon the ground, *and* keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.

11 Mine [g] eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are troubled, [h] my liver is poured upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings [‡]swoon in the streets of the city.

12 They say to their mothers, Where *is* corn and wine? when they swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their soul was poured out into their mothers' bosom.

13 What thing shall I take to witness for thee? [i] what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach *is* great like the sea: who can heal thee?

14 Thy [j] prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not [k] discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment.

15 All [l] that pass [†]by [m] clap *their* hands at thee; they hiss [d] and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem, *saying*, *Is* this the city that *men* call [n] The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?

16 All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say, [k] We have swallowed *her* up: certainly this *is* the day that we looked for; we have found *it*, we have seen *it*.

17 The LORD hath done *that* which he had [o] devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath caused *thine* enemy to [||]rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.

18 Their heart cried unto the Lord, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.

19 Arise, [p] cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches [r] pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger [s] in the top of every street.

20 ¶ Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. [t] Shall the women eat their fruit, *and* children [†]of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?

21 The [u] young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain *them* in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, *and* not pitied.

22 Thou hast called as in a solemn day [b] my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD'S anger none escaped nor remained: [c] those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

CHAP. III.

I *AM* the man *that* hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.

2 He hath led me, and brought *me into* darkness, but not *into* light.

3 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand *against me* all the day.

4 My [a] flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath [i] broken my bones.

5 He hath builded against me, and compassed *me* with gall and travel.

6 He [l] hath *set* me in dark places, as *they that be* dead of old.

7 He [m]hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my chain heavy.

8 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.

9 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.

10 He [n] *was* unto me *as* a bear lying in wait, *and as* a lion in secret places.

11 He hath turned aside my ways, and [r] pulled me in pieces: he hath made me desolate.

12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.

13 He hath caused [s] the [‡]arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.

14 I was a [u] derision to all my people; *and* [v] their song all the day.

15 He [x] hath filled me with [||]bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.

16 He hath also broken my teeth [a] with gravel stones, he hath [o] covered me with ashes.

17 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgat [‡]prosperity.

18 And [c] I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:

19 [§]Remembering mine affliction and my misery, [d] the wormwood and the gall.

20 My soul hath *them* still in remembrance, and is [||]humbled in me.

21 This I [e] recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

22 ¶ *It is of* the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

23 *They are* new [w]every morning: great *is* thy faithfulness.

24 The LORD *is* my [e] portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

25 The LORD *is* good unto them that wait for him, to the soul *that* seeketh him.

26 *It is* good that *a man* should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.

27 *It is* good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne *it* upon him.

29 He [f] putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.

30 He [w] giveth *his* cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.

31 For [x] the Lord will not cast off for ever:

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[a] 2 Ch. 36. 17.
[b] *shut up.*
[b] Jo. 6. 25.
[c] Ho. 9. 12, 13.
[d] 2 Ki. 21. 13. Is. 34. 11.
[†] *swallowing up.*
[e] De. 28. 36. 2 Ki. 24. 15.
[f] 2 Ch. 15. 3.
[g] Ps. 74. 9. Eze. 7. 26.
[h] Job 16. 8.
[i] Ps. 51. 8. Is. 38. 13. Je. 50. 17.
[k] Job 2. 13. Is. 3. 26.
[l] Ps. 88. 5, 6. 143. 3.
[m] Job 3. 23. 19. 8. Ho. 2. 6.
[n] Ps. 6. 7.
[o] Job 16. 13. Ps. 22. 14.
[‡] or, *faint.*
[p] Job 10. 16.
[r] Ho. 6. 1.
[s] Da. 9. 12.
[t] Job 6. 4.
[§] *sons.*
[u] Je. 20. 7.
[v] Job 30. 9. Ps. 69. 12.
[w] Ru. 1. 20.
[||] *bitternesses*
[x] Je. 2. 6. Eze. 13. 2.
[a] Is. 58. 1.
[c] Pr. 20. 17.
[o] or, *rolled me in the ashes.*
[b] 1 Ki. 9. 8.
[†] *by the way*
[c] Eze. 25. 6.
[d] Ps. 44. 14.
[§] *good.*
[e] Ps. 31. 22.
[f] Ps. 48. 2. 50. 2.
[§] or, *Remember.*
[d] Je. 9. 15.
[h] Ps. 56. 9.
[||] *bowed.*
[e] *make to return to my heart.*
[i] Ps. 38. 21.
[k] Mal. 3. 6.
[l] Lo. 20. 16, &c. De. 28. 15, &c.
[m] Is. 33. 2.
[n] Ps. 38. 16. 89. 42.
[o] Ps. 16. 5. Je. 10. 16. Ro. 15. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[p] Ps. 119. 147.
[r] Ps. 62. 8.
[s] Job 42. 6.
[t] Is. 51. 20.
[u] Is. 50. 6. Mat. 5. 39.
[v] Je. 19. 9. Eze. 5. 10.
[†] or, *swaddled with their hands*
[x] Ps. 94. 14. Ro. 11. 1, 2.

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32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

33 For [a] he doth not afflict [*] willingly nor grieve the children of men.

34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth,

35 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of [†] the most High,

36 To subvert a man in his cause, [c] the Lord [§] approveth not.

37 ¶ Who *is he that* saith, and it cometh to pass, *when* the Lord commandeth *it* not?

38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not [*f*] evil and good?

39 Wherefore [d] doth a living man [‖] complain, [h] a man for the punishment of his sins?

40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

41 Let [h] us lift up our heart with *our* hands unto God in the heavens.

42 We [m] have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned.

43 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied.

44 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that *our* prayer should not pass through.

45 Thou hast made us *as* the [p] offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people.

46 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.

47 Fear [r] and a snare is come upon us, [s] desolation and destruction.

48 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.

49 Mine [t] eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission,

50 Till the LORD [u] look down, and behold from heaven.

51 Mine eye affecteth [§] mine heart [‖] because of all the daughters of my city.

52 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.

53 They have cut off my life [v] in the dungeon, and [x] cast a stone upon me.

54 Waters [y] flowed over mine head; *then* [z] I said, I am cut off.

55 ¶ I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.

56 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.

57 Thou [a] drewest near in the day *that* I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not.

58 O Lord, thou hast [b] pleaded the causes of my soul; [c] thou hast redeemed my life.

59 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong: [d] judge thou my cause.

60 Thou hast seen all their vengeance *and* all their [‖] imaginations against me.

61 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, *and* all their imaginations against me;

62 The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.

63 Behold their [*] sitting down, and their rising up; I *am* their musick.

64 ¶ Render [r] unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of their hands.

65 Give them [§] sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.

66 Persecute and destroy them in anger [*] from under the heavens of the LORD.

CHAP. IV.

HOW is the gold become dim! *how* is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.

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[a] He. 12. 10.
[*] *from his heart.*
[b] Is. 30. 14. Je. 19. 11.
[†] Co. 4. 7.
[c] or, *sea calves.*
[‡] or, *a superior.*
[d] Hab. 1. 13.
[d] Job 39. 14, 16
[§] or, *wrath.*
[e] Ps. 22. 15.
[f] Job 2. 10. Is. 45. 7. Am. 3. 6.
[g] Pr. 19. 3.
[‖] or, *murmur*
[h] Mi. 7. 9.
[i] Job 34. 8.
[*] or, *iniquity*
[k] Ps. 88. 4.
[l] Ge. 19. 25.
[m] Da. 9. 5.
[†] *darker than blackness.*
[n] Joel 2. 6. Na. 2. 10.
[o] Ps. 102. 5.
[p] 1 Co. 4. 13.
[‡] *flow out.*
[r] Is. 24. 17.
[s] Is. 51. 19.
[t] Je. 49. 15.
[u] Da. 8. 8. 57. 2 Ki. 6. 29.
[v] Ps. 77. 2.
[x] Is. 53. 15.
[§] *my soul.*
[‖] or, *more than all.*
[y] Je. 37. 16. 38. 6, 9, 10.
[z] Da. 8. 17.
[a] Je. 5. 31. Eze. 22. 26, 29. Zep. 3. 4.
[b] Ps. 69. 2. 124. 4, 5.
[c] Mat. 23. 31, 37.
[d] Ps. 31. 22.
[e] Je. 2. 34.
[*] or, *in that they could not* but *touch.*
[f] Nu. 19. 16.
[g] Ja. 4. 8.
[h] Ps. 35. 1. Je. 51. 36.
[†] or, *ye polluted.*
[i] La. 13. 45.
[k] Ps. 71. 23.
[l] Ps. 9. 4. 25. 23.
[‡] or, *face.*
[m] Je. 11. 19.
[n] 2 Ki. 24. 7.
[o] Ps. 139. 2.
[p] 2 Ki. 25. 4, 5.
[r] Ps. 28. 4. Je. 11. 20. 2 Ti. 4. 14.
[s] Eze. 7. 2, 3, 6. Am. 8. 2.
[t] De. 28. 49. Je. 4. 13.
[§] or, *obstinacy.*
[u] De. 25. 19.
[v] Ez. 11. 9.

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MOURNING WOMEN.— *Taylor.*—Lam. ii. 10.



WATER-CARRIERS OF THE EAST.— *Denon.*—Lam. v. 4.

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of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; [a] the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.

22 ¶ [b] The punishment [c] of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no more carry thee away into captivity: [d] he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he will ‡ discover thy sins.

CHAP. V.

REMEMBER, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach.

2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.

3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers *are* as widows.

4 We have drunken our water for money; our wood § is sold unto us.

5 [e] Our [f] necks *are* under persecution: we labour, *and* have no rest.

6 We [g] have given the hand [h] *to* the Egyptians, *and to* the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.

7 Our fathers have sinned, *and* [i] *are* not; and we have borne their iniquities.

8 [j] Servants have ruled over us: *there* is none that doth deliver *us* out of their hand

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[a] Ob. 10.
[b] Job 30. 30.
[c] or, *Thine iniquity.*
[d] Is. 40. 2.
† or, *terrors*, or, *storms.*
[d] Ps. 137. 7.
‡ or, *carry thee captive for.*
§ *of our head is fallen.*
|| *cometh for price.*
[e] *On our necks are we persecuted.*
[f] Je. 28. 14.
[g] Ps. 9. 7.
[h] Ge. 24. 2.
[i] Ho. 12. 1.
† *for length of days?*
[j] Ge. 42. 13.
[k] Ps.80 3,7,19 Je. 31. 18.
‡ or, *For will them utterly reject us?*

9 We gat our bread with *the peril of* our lives because of the sword of the wilderness.

10 Our [k] skin was black like an oven because of the † terrible famine.

11 They ravished the women in Zion, *and* the maids in the cities of Judah.

12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured.

13 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood.

14 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their musick.

15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.

16 The crown § is fallen *from* our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned!

17 For this our heart is faint; for these *things* our eyes are dim.

18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk upon it.

19 Thou, O LORD, [l] remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation.

20 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, *and* forsake us † so long time?

21 Turn [k] thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.

22 ‡ But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II. 10.—MOURNING WOMEN. "The virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground." Perhaps more is here intended than we, with our moderated passions, suppose. It may allude to the grief of mourners, which in the East is very great. In our cut is represented the way in which mourning women mourn over the burial place of the dead. It is not unlikely that the virgins of Jerusalem are here considered as overwhelmed with grief like those who mourn for the dead. "Who can heal thee?" ch. ii. 13. The city of Jerusalem is represented in ver. 1 as sitting solitary, which is the posture of mourners, weeping at her desolated state like a widow. The same figure was used by Vespasian, on the medal which he had struck after the conquest of Judea, on one side of which was a woman sitting under a palm tree in a plaintive and pensive posture, with this inscription, JUDEA CAPTA. The prophet more decidedly expresses himself respecting the nature of the sorrow which the miseries of his country would excite, in the 9th chapter of his prophecy. "Consider ye and call for the mourning women," &c., to ver. 21, inclusive. Here there is evidently a reference to the very ancient and still subsisting custom of hiring professed mourners to lament over the dead. The Jewish doctors acknowledge the custom, and inform us that it was so common, that the poorest man in Israel, when his wife died, never had less than two pipes, and one mourning woman. 'The root of this custom,' says Kitto, 'seems to be, that the eastern nations require manifestations of strong feeling to be marked, palpable, and exaggerated. Hence their emotions, particularly those of grief, have a most violent and loud expression; and still, unsatisfied and apprehensive that their own spontaneous manifestations of sorrow, when a death occurred, were inadequate to the occasion, and rendered insufficient honour to the dead, they thought of employing practised women to add their effective and manifest tributes of apparent grief. Thus mourning became an art, which devolved on women of shrill voices, copious of tears, and skilful in lamenting and praising the dead in mournful songs and eulogies. When a person in the family died, it was customary for the female relatives to seat themselves upon the ground in a separate apartment, in a circle, in the centre of which sat the wife, daughter, or other nearest relative, and thus assisted by the mourning women, conducted their loud and piercing lamentations. At intervals the mourning women took the leading part, on a signal from the chief mourner; and when the real mourners remained comparatively silent, but attested their grief by sobs, by beating their faces, tearing their hair, and sometimes wounding their persons with their nails, joining also aloud in the lamenting chorus of the hired mourners.' The artist has represented mourners over a Mahometan's grave, and the attitudes are those of domestic mourners who occasionally visit the graves. Professional mourners are not generally employed, but over the uninterred corpse; but sometimes they accompany the chief female mourner in the daily visits which she pays to the grave during the first seven days of mourning, and sometimes go alone to mourn over the grave when she is absolutely unable to attend. They, however, usually take tambourines with them, which are the badges of their calling. These women are great mistresses of melancholy expressions, they squall out at intervals several times together, 'Loo, loo, loo,' in a deep and hollow tone, with several ventriloquous sighs, and use the most expressive sounds, gestures, and commotions. Christianity forbids us not to weep, but teaches us to moderate our grief; and if our friends have died in the Lord, we are to "sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."

CH. V. 4.—WATER-CARRIERS OF THE EAST. The land of the Jews was a land of brooks, of waters, of fountains and depths; they had wells of water of their own, and water which flowed freely and in abundance, but were now obliged to pay for it, for drink and other uses. It would sound strange in England, if a person travelling should propose to pay for drinking of the water at the wells by the road-side. But still stranger is the expression here, "we have drunk our own water for money:" we bought it of our foreign rulers, although we were the natural proprietors of the wells. Here was the hardship. But the sale of water has been usual in the East. All water there, except at a private well or fountain, is free; but it is so far bought, that householders, who have no supply of water close at hand, are necessarily obliged to pay persons for the labour of bringing it, as often as wanted, to their houses, unless this is done by members or servants of the family. The Chaldeans evidently took possession of the wells, fountains, and pools, which were free to the people, or their own private property, and required payment from the persons they supplied with water. As all the water in oriental towns must be fetched from the river or wells, there are men who make it a trade to supply regular customers. Some use a horse, and some an ass, carrying two leathern vessels at once, after the manner of carrying panniers. The water-carriers in general have a well-prepared goat skin, which is usually brought under the arm and compressed by the hand, serving as the mouth of this curious but exceedingly useful vessel. Let the thirsty soul rejoice that there is a fountain opened which is ever full, ever flowing, and that "whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely."

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The Book of the Prophet EZEKIEL.

This prophet, a captive in Babylon, prophesied in the beginning of the captivity, and during twenty two years. His prophecies were to admonish and comfort the captives.

CHAP. I.

NOW it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, as I *was* among the [a] captives [b] by the river of Chebar, *that* [c] the heavens were opened, and I saw [d] visions of God.

2 In the fifth *day* of the month, which *was* the fifth year of [e] king Jehoiachin's captivity,

3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto ‡ Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and [f] the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

4 ¶ And I looked, and, behold, [g] a whirlwind came [h] out of the north, a great cloud, [i] and a fire ‖ infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

5 Also [i] out of the midst thereof *came* the likeness of four living creatures. And [m] this *was* their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

7 And their feet *were* [o] straight feet; and the sole of their feet *was* like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled [p] like the colour of burnished brass.

8 And *they had* the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

9 Their wings *were* joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four [q] had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

11 Thus *were* their faces: and their wings *were* [s] stretched upward; two *wings* of every one *were* joined one to another, and [t] two covered their bodies.

12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; *and* they turned not when they went.

13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance *was* like burning coals of fire, [v] *and* like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.

14 And the living creatures [y] ran and returned [z] as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

15 ¶ Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

16 The appearance of the wheels and their work *was* [c] like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work *was* as it were [a] a wheel in the middle of a wheel.

17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: *and* they turned not when they went.

18 As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their ‖ rings *were* [e] full of eyes round about them four.

19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.

20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither *was their* spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit † of the living creature *was* in the wheels.

21 When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit § of the living creature *was* in the wheels.

22 And [k] the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature *was* as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

23 And under the firmament *were* their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, [m] like the noise of great waters, as [o] the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

25 And there was a voice from the firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood, *and* had let down their wings.

26 ¶ And above the firmament that *was* over their heads *was* the likeness of [q] a throne, [r] as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne *was* the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

27 And [s] I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.

28 As [v] the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so *was* the appearance of the brightness round about. This *was* the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw *it*, [y] I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

CHAP. II.

AND he said unto me, Son of man, stand [b] upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.

2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to ‡ a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me: [d] they and their fathers have transgressed against me *even* unto this very day.

4 For *they are* § impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they *are* a

B. C. 595.

[a] Zec. 4. 10.
[b] *captivity.*
[c] ch. 43. 3.
[d] Mat. 3. 16. Ac. 7. 56. 10. 11. Re. 19. 11.
[e] Mar. 17. 9. Ac. 9. 10, 11. 10. 3. 2Co. 12. 1...4
[f] 2 Ki. 24. 12. 15.
† or, *of life.* Ro. 8. 2.
‡ *Jehezkel.*
[g] ch. 6. 1. 40. 1. 1 Ki. 18. 46. 2 Ki. 3. 15.
[h] Je. 23. 19. 25. 32.
§ or, *of life.*
[i] Je. 1. 14. 4. 6. 6. 1.
[l] Ho. 13. 22.
‖ *catching itself.*
[k] Ex. 24. 10.
[l] Re. 4. 6, &c.
[m] ch. 10. 8, &c.
[o] *a straight foot.*
[n] ch. 43. 2. Da. 10. 6.
[o] Job 37. 4, 5. Ps. 29. 3, 4. 68. 33.
[p] Re. 1. 15.
[q] Ex. 24. 10.
[r] Re. 21. 19.
[s] Nu. 2. 10.
[t] ch. 8. 2.
† or, *divided above.*
[u] Is. 6. 2.
[v] Re. 4. 3. 10. 1.
[x] Re. 4. 5.
[y] ch. 3. 23. Da. 8. 17. Ac. 9. 4. Re. 1. 17.
[z] Zec. 4. 10.
[a] Mat. 24. 27.
[b] Da. 10. 11.
[c] Da. 10. 6.
‡ *rebellious nations.*
[d] ch. 20. 18, 21, 30. Je. 3. 25.
[e] Ro. 11. 33. Ep. 3. 10.
§ *hard of face.*
‖ or, *strakes.*

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rebellious house,) yet [a] shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

6 ¶ And thou, son of man, [b] be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though [c] briers [d] and thorns *be* with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: [e] be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.

7 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they *are* † most rebellious.

8 But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house: open thy mouth, and [f] eat that I give thee.

9 ¶ And when I looked, behold, [g] an hand *was* sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book *was* therein;

10 And he spread it before me: and it *was* written within and without: and *there was* written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

CHAP. III.

MOREOVER he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel.

2 So [m] I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and [n] fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I [o] eat *it;* and it was in my mouth [p] as honey for sweetness.

4 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them.

5 For thou *art* not sent to a people § of a strange speech and of an hard language, *but* to the house of Israel;

6 Not to many people ‡ of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. [q] Surely, [r] had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee.

7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; [s] for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel *are* † impudent and hardhearted.

8 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

9 As [t] an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: [u] fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.

10 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

11 And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.

12 Then [x] the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, *saying,* Blessed *be* the glory of the LORD from his place.

13 *I heard* also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that [y] touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went † in bitterness, in the ‡ heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

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[a] Lu. 10. 10. 12. Jno. 15. 22.
[b] Je. 1. 8, 17. Lu. 12. 4. Ac. 4. 13, 19, 29.
[c] Ep. 6. 19. Phi. 1. 28.
[d] Job 2. 13. Ps. 137. 1.
[e] or, *rebels.*
[d] Is. 9. 18. Je. 6. 28. Mi. 7. 4.
[e] Ho. 11. 27.
[f] Is. 52. 8. Je. 6. 17. Ac. 20. 26, 31. He. 13. 17.
† *rebellion.*
[g] Re. 10. 9.
[h] ch. 33. 6. Jno. 8. 21, 24.
[i] Je. 1. 9.
[k] Is. 49. 4, 5. Ac. 13. 45, 46 20. 26. 2 Co. 2. 15, 17.
[l] Mat. 13. 20, 21. He. 10. 26.
‡ *righteousness.*
[m] Ac. 26. 19.
[n] Jno. 7. 38. Col. 3. 16.
[o] Je. 15. 16. Re. 10. 9.
[p] Ps. 19. 10. 119. 103.
[r] ch. 8. 4.
§ *deep of lip, and heavy of tongue.*
‖ *deep of lip, and heavy of language.*
[s] ch. 1. 1.
[t] Re. 1. 17.
[u] or, *If I had sent thee, &c. would they not have.*
[x] Mat. 11. 21, 23. Jno. 15. 20.
[y] ch. 4. 8.
† *stiff of forehead, and hard of heart.*
[y] Lu. 1. 20, 22.
[z] Is. 50. 7. Je. 15. 20. Mi. 3. 8.
‡ *a man reproving.*
[a] Je. 1. 8, 17.
[b] ch. 24. 27.
[c] 1 Ki. 18. 12. 2 Ki. 2. 16. Ac. 8. 39.
§ or, *chief leaders.*
ch. 21. 22.
‖ or, *a flat plate,* or, *slice.*
[e] *hard.*
[d] Lu. 2. 34. He. 1. 1. 2. 4.
† *bitter.*
‡ *hot anger.*

15 ¶ Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and [a] I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.

16 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

17 Son of man, I have made thee [f] a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked *man* [k] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; [k] but thou hast delivered thy soul.

20 Again, When a [l] righteous *man* doth turn from his ‡ righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous *man,* that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

22 ¶ And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth [r] into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.

23 Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I [e] saw by the river of Chebar: [d] and I fell on my face.

24 Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.

25 But thou, O son of man, behold, [s] they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:

26 And [y] I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them ‡ a reprover: for they *are* a rebellious house.

27 But [b] when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they *are* a rebellious house.

CHAP. IV.

THOU also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, *even* Jerusalem:

2 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set § *battering* rams against it round about.

3 Moreover take thou unto thee ‖ an iron pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. [d] This *shall be* a sign to the house of Israel.

4 Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: *according* to the number of the days

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that thou shalt lie upon it [a] thou shalt bear their iniquity.

5 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: [b] so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.

6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee [c] each day for a year.

7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm *shall be* uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

8 And, [d] behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee [†] from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.

9 ¶ Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and [‡] fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, *according* to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.

10 And thy meat which thou shalt eat *shall be* by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.

12 And thou shalt eat it *as* barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.

13 And the LORD said, Even thus [m] shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.

14 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, [n] my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of [o] that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there [p] abominable flesh into my mouth.

15 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

16 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the [q] staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall [r] eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment:

17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and [s] consume away for their iniquity.

CHAP. V.

AND thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, [t] and cause *it* to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and divide the *hair*.

2 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, *and* smite about it with a knife: and a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them.

3 Thou [u] shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy [§] skirts.

4 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; *for* thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.

5 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *is* Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of

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[a] Le. 10. 17. Nu. 18. 1. Is. 53. 11, 12. Mat. 8. 17. He. 9. 28. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[b] Beginning from 975. 1 Ki. 12. 23, ending 585. Nu. 14. 34.
[c] *a day for a year, a day for a year.*
[d] ch. 16. 37. Je. 2. 10, 11.
[†] *from thy side to thy side.*
[e] Le. 4. 6. Da. 9. 12. Am. 3. 2.
[‡] or, *spelt.*
[f] Le. 26. 29. De. 28. 53. 2 Ki. 6. 29. Je. 19. 9. La. 2. 20. 4. 10.
[g] ch. 12. 14. Le. 26. 33. De. 28. 64. Zec. 2. 6.
[h] ch. 7. 20. 8. 5, &c. 23. 38. 2 Ch. 36. 14.
[i] ch. 11. 21.
[k] ch. 7. 4, 9. 8. 18. 9. 10.
[l] ch. 6. 12. Je. 15. 2. 21. 9.
[m] Ho. 9. 3.
[n] Je. 9. 16.
[o] ch. 12. 14.
[p] Ac. 10. 14.
[q] ch. 6. 12. 7. 8. La. 4. 11.
[r] Ex. 22. 31. Le. 11. 40. 17. 15.
[s] ch. 21. 17.
[t] De. 14. 2. Is. 65. 4.
[u] De. 23. 36. Is. 1. 24.
[v] ch. 36. 6. 38. 19.
[w] Ne. 2. 17.
[x] ch. 14. 3. Le. 26. 26. Ps. 105. 16. Is. 3. 1.
[a] ch. 19. 19.
[b] De. 28. 37. 1 Ki. 9. 7. Ps. 79. 4. Je. 24. 9. La. 2. 15.
[c] ch. 25. 17.
[d] ch. 24. 23.
Le. 26. 39.
[e] ch. 44. 30. Le. 21. 5. Is. 7. 20.
[f] ch. 14. 21. 34. 25. Le. 26. 22. De. 32. 24.
[g] ch. 38. 22.
[h] Je. 40. 6. 52. 16.
[§] *wings.*
[i] Mi. 6. 1, 2.

the nations and countries *that are* round about her.

6 And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that *are* round about her: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye multiplied more than the nations that *are* round about you, *and* have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments, [a] neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that *are* round about you;

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, *am* against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.

9 And [b] I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more like, because of all thine abominations.

10 Therefore the fathers [c] shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I [d] scatter into all the winds.

11 Wherefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast [e] defiled my sanctuary with all thy [f] detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish *thee;* [g] neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.

12 ¶ A [h] third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee; and [i] I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and [k] I will draw out a sword after them.

13 Thus shall mine anger [l] be accomplished, and I will [m] cause my fury to rest upon them, [n] and I will be comforted: [o] and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it* in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them.

14 Moreover [p] I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that *are* round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.

15 So it shall be a [q] reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the nations that *are* round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in [r] furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken *it*.

16 When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for *their* destruction, *and* which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread:

17 So will I send upon you famine and [s] evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee; and [t] pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the LORD have spoken *it*.

CHAP. VI.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face toward [i] the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,

3 And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the vallies;

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Behold, I, *even* I, will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places.

4 And your altars shall be desolate, and your † images shall be broken: and [a] I will cast down your slain *men* before your idols.

5 And I will § lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6 In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished.

7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and [c] ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

8 ¶ Yet [f] will I leave a remnant, that ye may have *some* that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

9 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because [g] I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, and [h] with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols: and [i] they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations.

10 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them.

11 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Smite [m] with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say, Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

12 He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my fury upon them.

13 Then shall ye know that I *am* the LORD, when their slain *men* shall be among their idols round about their altars, [p] upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols.

14 So will I [s] stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, ‡ more desolate than the wilderness toward [v] Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. VII.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel; [z] An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land.

3 Now *is* the end *come* upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will [c] recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

4 And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but [a] I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

5 Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come.

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[a] *awaketh against thee.*
† or, *sun images.* ver. 6.
[a] Le. 26. 30.
[b] Zep. 1. 14, 15. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
‡ or, *echo.*
§ *give.*
[c] ch. 20. 8, 21.
|| *upon thee.*
[d] Mi. 6. 9. Ga. 6. 7. Re. 20. 13.
[e] ch. 11. 10, 12
[f] ch. 14. 22. Je. 44. 28. 46. 28. Ro. 9. 27. 11. 5, 6.
[g] Je. 6. 7.
[h] or, *tumult.*
† or, *their tumultuous persons.*
[i] Je. 16. 5, 6.
[k] Ps. 78. 40. Is. 7. 13. 43. 24. 63. 10.
[l] ch. 20. 7, 24. Nu. 15. 39. 2 Pe. 2. 14.
[m] ch. 20. 43. 36. 31. Le. 26. 39. Job 42. 6.
‡ *thoughtheir life were yet among the living.*
§ or, *whose life is in his iniquity.*
|| *his iniquity.*
[n] ch. 21. 14.
[o] La. 1. 20.
[p] Is. 13. 7. Je. 6. 24.
[s] *go into water.*
[p] Je. 2. 20. Is. 3. 24. Ps. 55. 5.
[r] Is. 5. 25.
† *for a separation,* or, *uncleanness.*
[v] Nu. 33. 46. Je. 48. 22.
§ or, *their iniquity is* their *stumbling-block*
[z] ch. 44. 12.
[y] Je. 7. 30.
[a] Am. 8. 2. Mat. 24. 6, 13, 14. 1 Pe. 4. 7.
|| or, *made it unto them an unclean thing.*
[c] *give.*
† or, *burglers*
[a] He. 10. 30.
[b] 2 Ki. 21. 16.

6 An end is come, the end is come: it [c] watcheth for thee; behold, it is come.

7 The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: [b] the time is come, the day of trouble *is* near, and not the ‡ sounding again of the mountains.

8 Now will I shortly [c] pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

9 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense || thee according to thy ways and thine abominations *that* are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that [d] I *am* the LORD that smiteth.

10 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

11 Violence [e] is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them *shall remain,* nor of their [e] multitude, nor of any of † their's: [b] neither *shall there be* wailing for them.

12 The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

13 For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, ‡ although they were yet alive: for the vision *is* touching the whole multitude thereof, *which* shall not return; neither shall any strengthen himself § in || the iniquity of his life.

14 They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for my wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

15 The [m] sword *is* without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that *is* in the field shall die with the sword; and he that *is* in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.

16 ¶ But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity.

17 All [o] hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall [o] be weak *as* water.

18 They shall also [r] gird *themselves* with sackcloth, and [r] horror shall cover them; and shame *shall be* upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.

19 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be † removed: their [n] silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: because § it is [s] the stumblingblock of their iniquity.

20 ¶ As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty: [y] but they made the images of their abominations *and* of their detestable things therein: therefore have I || set it far from them.

21 And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it.

22 [y] My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret *place:* for the † robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

23 ¶ Make a chain: for [b] the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.

24 Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pomp of the

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strong to cease; and * their holy places shall be defiled.

25 † Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and *there shall be* none.

26 Mischief [a] shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; [b] then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.

27 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and [c] according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. VIII.

AND it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, *as* I sat in mine house, and [d] the elders of Judah sat before me, that [e] the hand of the LORD GOD fell there upon me.

2 Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber.

3 And he [f] put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and [g] the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and [h] brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; [i] where *was* the seat of the image of jealousy, which * provoketh to jealousy.

4 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel *was* there, according to the vision that I [k] saw in the plain.

5 ¶ Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry.

6 He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? *even* the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations.

7 ¶ And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

8 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.

10 So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

11 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.

12 Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, [l] The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

13 ¶ He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

14 Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which *was* toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

15 ¶ Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, [m] between the porch and the altar, *were* about five and twenty men, [n] with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and * their faces toward the east; and they worshipped [o] the sun toward the east.

17 ¶ Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? § Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have [p] filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose.

18 Therefore [k] will I also deal in fury: mine [r] eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they [s] cry in mine ears with a loud voice, *yet* will I not hear them.

CHAP. IX.

HE cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand.

2 And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which [t] lieth toward the north, and every man [u] a slaughter weapon in his hand; [v] and one man among them *was* clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn † by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.

3 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which *had* the writer's inkhorn by his side;

4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and [x] set [y] a mark upon the foreheads of the men [z] that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

5 ¶ And to the others he said in § mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:

6 Slay [ǁ] utterly [y] old *and* young, both maids, and little children, and women: but [a] come not near any man upon whom *is* the mark; and [b] begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which *were* before the house.

7 And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

8 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I [c] fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

9 Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and * the land is * full of blood, and the city full of † perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and [d] the LORD seeth not.

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* or, *they shall inherit their holy places.*
† *Cutting off.*
a Je. 4. 20.
b Ps. 74. 9. La. 2. 9.
‡ *with their judgments.*
c Joel 3. 17.
d Je. 2. 27. 32. 33.
e Ac. 7. 42, 43.
f De. 4. 19. 2Ki. 23. 5, 11. Job 31. 26. Je. 44. 17.
§ or, *Is there any thing lighter than to commit.*
g Ac. 10. 33.
h ch. 1. 3.
i ch. 9. 9.
k ch. 3. 12.
l ch. 7. 4, 9.
m De. 5. 5.
n Pr. 1. 28. Is. 1. 15. Je. 11. 11. 14. 12. Mi. 3. 4. Zec. 7. 13. La. 3. 44.
o Ac. 6. 39. 2Co. 12. 2..4.
p ch. 11. 1, 24. 40. 2.
r Je. 7. 20. 32. 34.
s De. 32. 16, 21
ǁ *is turned.*
t *a weapon of hisbreaking in pieces.*
u ch. 1. 28. 3. 22, 23.
v Le. 16. 4. Re. 15. 6
† *upon his loins.*
x *mark a mark.*
y Ex. 12. 7. Re. 7. 3. 9. 4. 13. 16, 17. 20. 4.
z Ps. 119. 53, 136. Je. 13. 17. 2 Co. 12. 21. 2 Pe. 2. 8.
§ *mine ears.*
ǁ *to destruction.*
y 2 Ch. 36. 17.
z Re. 9. 4.
a Je. 25. 29. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
b Nu. 14. 5. 16. 4, 22, 45. Jos. 7. 6.
c 2 Ki. 21. 16.
d *filled with.*
d ch. 9. 9.
† or, *wresting of judgment.*
e Ps. 10. 11. Is. 29. 15.

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10 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, *but* [a] I will recompense their way upon their head.

11 And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which *had* the inkhorn by his side, † reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

CHAP. X.

THEN I looked, and, behold, in the [d] firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

2 And [e] he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, *even* under the cherub, and fill ‡ thine hand with [f] coals of fire from between the cherubims, and [g] scatter *them* over the city. And he went in in my sight.

3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

4 Then [h] the glory of the LORD [§] went up from the cherub, *and stood* over the threshold of the house; and [i] the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.

5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard *even* to the outer court, as [k] the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.

6 And it came to pass, *that* when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims; then he went in, and stood beside the wheels.

7 And *one* cherub [l] stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that *was* between the cherubims, and took *thereof*, and put *it* into the hands of *him that was* clothed with linen: who took *it*, and went out.

8 ¶ And [m] there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings.

9 And [n] when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels *was* as the colour of a beryl stone.

10 And *as for* their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if [p] a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel.

11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

12 And their whole † body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, *were* full of eyes round about, *even* the wheels that they four had.

13 As for the wheels, I it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel.

14 And [q] every one had four faces: the first face *was* the face of a cherub, and the second face *was* the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This *is* [r] the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar.

16 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them.

17 When they stood, *these* stood; and when they were lifted up, *these* lifted up themselves *also*: for the spirit [s] of the living creature *was* in them.

18 Then the glory of the LORD [t] departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.

19 And [u] the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also *were* beside them, and *every one* stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.

20 This *is* the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel [x] by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they *were* the cherubims.

21 Every [y] *one* had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man *was* under their wings.

22 And the likeness of their faces *was* the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

CHAP. XI.

MOREOVER [z] the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto [a] the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward: and behold [b] at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people.

2 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these *are* the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city:

3 Which say, ‖ *It is* not [c] near; let us build houses: [d] this *city is* the caldron, and we *be* the flesh.

4 ¶ Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.

5 And [e] the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for [f] I know the things that come into your mind, *every one of* them.

6 Ye [g] have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain.

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [h] Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they *are* the flesh, and this *city is* the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.

8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

10 Ye [i] shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in [k] the border of Israel; [l] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

11 This *city* shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof, *but* I will judge you in the border of Israel:

12 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD: [m] for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but [n] have done after the manners of the heathen that *are* round about you.

13 ¶ And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that [o] Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?

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[a] ch. 11. 21.
[b] or, *of life.*
[c] Ho. 9. 12. Mat. 23. 37 ..39.
† *returned the word.*
[d] ch. 11. 22.
[e] ch. 1. 22,26.
[f] ch. 9. 2, 3.
[g] ch. 1. 1.
‡ *the hollow of thine hand.*
[h] ch. 1. 13.
[i] ch. 1. 6.
[k] Re. 8. 5.
[l] ch. 1. 28.
§ *was lifted up.*
[m] ch. 43. 5. 1Ki.8.10,11. Hag. 2. 9. Re. 15. 8.
[n] ch. 3. 12, 14. 8. 3. 2 Ki. 2. 16. Ac. 8. 39. 2Co.12.2..4
[o] ch. 10. 19.
[p] ch. 8. 16.
[q] Ps.29.3,&c. Jno. 12. 28, 29. He.12.18,19 Re. 10. 3, 4. 14. 2.
‖ or, It is *not* for us *to build houses near*
[r] ch.12.22,27. 2 Pe. 3. 4.
[s] *sent forth.*
[t] ch.24.3,&c. Je. 1. 13.
[u] Ac. 4. 31. 10. 44.
[x] ch. 1. 8.
[y] Is. 6. 6.
[z] Mar. 2. 8. Jno. 2. 24. He. 4. 13.
[a] ch.1.15,&c.
[b] ch. 22. 3, 4.
[c] ch. 24. 3, 6, 10,11. Mi. 3. 3.
[d] Ps. 97. 2. Ro. 11. 33.
† *flesh.*
[e] 2 Ki. 23. 19 ..21. Je. 39. 6. 52. 10.
[f] 1 Ki. 8. 65. 2 Ki. 14. 25.
[g] Ps. 9. 16.
‡ or, *they were called in my hearing. Wheel,* or, *Galgal.*
[h] ch. 1. 6, 10.
§ or, *which have not walked.*
[i] ch. 1. 5.
[k] Le. 18.3,24, &c. De.12.30,31
[l] Ac. 5. 5.

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14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

15 Son of man, thy brethren, *even* thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, *are* they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.

16 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, [b] yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.

17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [d] I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.

18 And they shall come thither, and they [f] shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence.

19 And [g] I will give them one heart, and I will put [h] a new spirit within you; and I will take [i] the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:

20 That [k] they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: [m] and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

21 But *as for them* whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, saith the Lord GOD.

22 ¶ Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.

23 And [p] the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood [r] upon the mountain which *is* on the east side of the city.

24 ¶ Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me.

25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

CHAP. XII.

THE word of the LORD also came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they [v] have ears to hear, and hear not: for they *are* a rebellious house.

3 Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee [§] stuff for removing, and remove by day in their sight; and thou shalt remove from thy place to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though they *be* a rebellious house.

4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing: and thou shalt go forth at even in their sight, [‖] as they that go forth into captivity.

5 Dig [a] thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

6 In their sight shalt thou bear *it* upon *thy* shoulders, *and* carry *it* forth in the twilight: thou shalt cover thy face, that thou see not the ground: [b] for I have set thee *for* a sign unto the house of Israel.

7 And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity, and in the even I [†] digged through the wall with mine hand; I brought *it* forth in the twilight, *and* I bare *it* upon *my* shoulder in their sight.

8 ¶ And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

9 Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?

10 Say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; This [c] burden *concerneth* the prince in Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that *are* among them.

11 Say, I *am* your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: [d] they [e] shall remove *and* go into captivity.

12 And [f] the prince that *is* among them shall bear upon *his* shoulder in the twilight, and shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall cover his face, that he see not the ground with *his* eyes.

13 My [g] net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare: and [i] I will bring him to Babylon *to* the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there.

14 And [j] I will scatter toward every wind all that *are* about him to help him, and all his bands; and I will draw out the sword after them.

15 And [o] they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

16 But I will leave [†] a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the pestilence; that they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they come; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

17 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

18 Son of man, [s] eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;

19 And say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord GOD of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, *and* of the land of Israel; They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink their water with astonishment, that her land may [t] be desolate from [‡] all that is therein, [u] because of the violence of all them that dwell therein.

20 And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

21 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

22 Son of man, what *is* that proverb *that* ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The [x] days are prolonged, and every vision faileth?

23 Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, [y] The days are at hand, and the effect of every vision.

24 For [z] there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel.

25 For I *am* the LORD: I will speak, and [a] the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.

26 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

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[a] Mal. 1. 1.
[b] Ps. 90. 1. 91. 9. Is. 8. 14.
[c] *by removing go into captivity.*
[d] 2 Ki. 25. 4, 5, 7
[e] ch. 28. 25. 36. 24. Je. 24. 5.
[f] Je. 39. 4.
[g] Col. 3. 5. 8. Tit. 2. 12.
[h] ch. 17. 20. Job 19. 6. La. 1. 13. Je. 52. 9.
[i] ch. 36. 26, 27. Je. 32. 39. Zep. 3. 9.
[k] Je. 32. 11.
[l] ch. 18. 31. Ps. 51. 10. Je. 31. 33.
[m] 2 Co. 1. 22. Ep. 1. 13, 14.
[n] Zec. 7. 12.
[o] 2 Ki. 25. 4, 5.
[p] Ps. 105. 45.
[q] Je. 24. 7. He. 8. 10. 11. 16.
[r] Ps. 9. 16.
[†] *men of number.*
[p] ch. 43. 4.
[r] Zec. 14. 4.
[s] ch. 4. 16. Job 3. 24. Ps. 60. 3. 80. 5.
[t] Zec. 7. 14.
[‡] *the fulness thereof.* Ps. 24. 1. 1 Co. 10. 26, 28.
[u] Ps. 104. 37.
[v] Is. 6. 9. 42. 20. Je. 5. 21. Mat. 13. 13, 14. 2 Co. 3. 14. Ep. 4. 18.
[§] or, *instruments.*
[x] Am 6. 3.
[y] Joel 2. 1. Zep. 1. 14. Mal. 4. 1. Mar. 13. 30.
[‖] *as the goings forth of captivity.*
[a] ch. 12. 23. La. 2. 14. Ho. 16. 14. 2 Pe. 2. 2, 3.
[b] *for thee.*
[c] Is. 55. 11. Da. 9. 12. Lu. 21. 33.
[d] Is. 8. 18.
[†] *digged for me.*

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27 Son of man, behold, *they of* the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth *is* [a] for many days *to come*, and he prophesieth of the times *that are* far off.

28 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [d] There shall none of my words be prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XIII.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that [†] prophesy out of their own [h] hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; [i] Woe unto the foolish prophets, that [†] follow their own spirit, [§] and have seen nothing!

4 O Israel, thy prophets are [k] like the foxes in the deserts.

5 Ye [l] have not gone up into the [•] gaps, neither [†] made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.

6 They [m] have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made *others* to hope that they would confirm the word.

7 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, The LORD saith *it*; albeit I have not spoken?

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I *am* against you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the [§] assembly of my people, [o] neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; [t] and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

10 ¶ Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, [p] Peace; and *there was* no peace; and one built up [‖] a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered *morter*:

11 Say unto them which daub *it* with untempered *morter*, that it shall fall: [q] there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend *it*.

12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where *is* the daubing wherewith ye have daubed *it*?

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even rend *it* with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in *my* fury to consume *it*.

14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered *morter*, and bring it down to the ground, so that [r] the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: [s] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered *morter*, and will say unto you, The wall *is* no *more*, neither they that daubed it;

16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and

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[a] Je. 6. 14. 28. 9.
[b] 2 Pe. 3. 4.
[c] ch. 30. 46. 21. 2.
[d] 1 Th. 5. 2, 3. Re. 3. 3.
[•] or, *elbows*.
[e] 2 Pe. 2. 14.
[f] Pr. 29. 21. Mi. 3. 5.
[g] Ro. 14. 15. 1 Co. 8. 11.
[†] *are prophets out of their own hearts.*
[h] Je. 14. 14. 23. 16, 26.
[i] Mat. 23. 13 ...33. 1 Co. 9. 16.
[†] *walk after.*
[§] or, *and things which they have not seen.*
[‖] or, *into gardens.*
[k] Ca. 2. 15.
[l] ch. 22. 30. Ps. 106. 23, 30.
[•] or, *breaches*
[†] *hedged the hedge.*
[m] ch. 22. 28.
[n] Je. 23. 14.
[‡] *by quickening him*, or, *that I should save his life.*
[o] Mi. 3. 6.
[p] ch. 15 7.
[r] ch. 20. 1. 33. 31.
[§] or, *secret*, or, *council.*
[s] Ezr. 2. 59, 62. Ne. 7. 5. Ps. 69. 28.
[t] Je. 23. 20.
[u] Mat. 6. 22, 23. Ep. 5. 5.
[v] 1 Pe. 1. 6. Re. 2. 14.
[w] 1 Sa. 28. 6. 2 Ki. 3. 13. Pr. 15. 8, 29.
[x] Je. 6. 14. 8. 11.
[‖] or, *a slight wall.*
[z] ch. 38. 22. Job 27. 21. Mat. 7. 25, 27.
[a] Is. 3. 11. 66. 4. 1 Th. 2. 10, 11
[b] Ro. 1. 21, &c. 8. 7. Ep. 4. 18. He. 3. 12.
[c] Mar. 1. 14, 15 Ac. 17. 30. Ja. 4. 8...10.
[•] or, *others.*
[d] 1 Co. 3. 11.. 13.
[e] ch. 14. 8.
[f] Le. 17. 10. 20. 3, 5, 6. Je. 44. 11.
[g] Nu. 26. 10. De. 28. 37.

which [u] see visions of peace for her, and *there is* no peace, saith the Lord GOD.

17 ¶ Likewise, thou son of man, [v] set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,

18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the *women* that sew pillows to all [•] armholes, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye [w] hunt the souls of my people, and will ye save the souls alive *that come* unto you?

19 And will ye pollute me among my people [x] for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay [z] the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear *your* lies?

20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls [‡] to make *them* fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, *even* the souls that ye hunt to make *them* fly.

21 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and [a] strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, [b] by promising him life:

23 Therefore [c] ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand: [d] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XIV.

THEN [e] came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.

2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

3 Son of man, these men have set up their [•] idols in their heart, and put [f] the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: [g] should I be enquired of at all by them?

4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; [h] I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all [i] estranged from me through their idols.

6 ¶ Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [k] Repent, and turn [•] *yourselves* from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

7 For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me; I the LORD will answer him by myself:

8 And [l] I will set my face against that man, and will make him a [§] sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

9 And if the prophet be deceived when he

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hath spoken a thing, I the LORD [e] have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.

10 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh *unto him*;

11 That the house of Israel may [h] go no more astray from me, neither be polluted any more with all their transgressions; [e] but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD.

12 ¶ The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,

13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the [f] staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:

14 Though [h] these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver *but* their own souls [i] by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ If I cause [l] noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they ‖ spoil it, so that it be desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:

16 *Though* these three men *were* [o] in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

17 ¶ Or *if* [e] I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I [p] cut off man and beast from it:

18 Though these three men *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

19 ¶ Or *if* I send [r] a pestilence into that land, and pour [s] out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast:

20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall *but* deliver their own souls [m] by their righteousness.

21 For thus saith the Lord GOD; [o] How much more when [v] I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast?

22 ¶ Yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be brought forth, *both* sons and daughters: behold, they shall come forth unto you, and [h] ye shall see their way and their doings: and ye shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, *even* concerning all that I have brought upon it.

23 And they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings: and ye shall know that I have not done [e] without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XV.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, What [f] is the vine tree more than any tree, *or than* a branch which is among the trees of the forest?

3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? or will *men* take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?

4 Behold, [h] it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire devoureth both the ends of

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[e] 1 Ki. 22. 23. Job 12. 16. Je. 4. 10. 2 Th. 2. 11.
[o] *Will it prosper?*
† *made it.*
[h] 2 Pe. 2. 15.
[e] ch. 37. 27. He. 8. 10. 11. 16. Re. 21. 7.
[d] Le. 17. 10.
[e] Is 24. 18.
[f] ch. 30. 38, 42, 44.
‡ *trespassed a trespass.*
[g] Le. 25. 38. Is. 3. 1.
[h] Je. 7. 16. 11. 14. 14. 11.
[i] Pr. 11. 4.
[k] ch. 22. 2. 23. 7. 9.
[l] Le. 26. 22.
§ *or, bereave.*
‖ *cutting out, or, habitation.*
[m] ch. 21. 30.
[o] *in the midst of it.*
[n] Ho. 2. 3.
† or, *when I looked* upon thee.
[o] ch. 21. 3, 4. 29. 8. 38. 21. Le. 26. 25.
[p] ch. 25. 13. Zep. 1. 3.
‡ or, *trodden under foot.*
[r] 2 Sa. 24. 15.
[s] Re. 16. 3..6.
[t] Jer. 5. 25. Ro. 9. 15. Ep. 2. 4, 5. Tit. 3. 3..7.
§ *made thee a million.*
[u] Ps. 33. 18, 19. Ac. 10. 35. 1 Jno. 2. 29.
‖ *ornament of ornaments.*
[o] or, *Also when.*
[e] ch. 33. 27.
[x] Ro. 5. 8.
[y] Ru. 3. 9.
[z] Ex. 19. 5. Je. 2. 2.
[a] 1 Co. 6. 11. He. 9. 13, 14. Re. 1. 5, 6.
[b] ch. 20. 43.
† *bloods.*
[c] Je. 22. 8, 9. Ro. 2. 5.
[d] Ge. 24. 22, 47.
[e] Pr. 1. 9.
‡ *nose.*
Is. 3. 21.
[f] Jno. 15. 1, 2.
[g] De. 32. 13, 14.
[h] Ps. 45. 2.
[i] La. 2. 15.
[k] Jno. 15. 6. He. 6. 8. 12. 29.

it, and the midst of it is burned. [o] Is it meet for *any* work?

5 Behold, when it was whole, it was † meet for no work: how much less shall it be meet yet for *any* work, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned?

6 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

7 And [d] I will set my face against them; [e] they shall go out from *one* fire, and *another* fire shall devour them; [f] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I set my face against them.

8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have ‡ committed a trespass, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XVI.

AGAIN the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, [h] cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; Thy ‖ birth [m] and thy nativity *is* of the land of Canaan; thy father *was* an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.

4 And *as for* thy nativity, [n] in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water † to supple *thee*; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.

5 None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born.

6 ¶ And when I passed by thee, and saw thee ‡ polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, [t] Live; yea, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live.

7 I have § caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to ‖ excellent ornaments: *thy* breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare.

8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, [v] thy time *was* the time of love; [y] and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and [z] thou becamest mine.

9 Then [a] washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy † blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.

10 I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.

11 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I [d] put bracelets upon thy hands, and [e] a chain on thy neck.

12 And I put a jewel on thy ‡ forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

13 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment *was of* fine linen, and silk, and broidered work; [f] thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding [h] beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.

14 And [i] thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it *was* perfect through my comeliness, which I

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had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ But [b] thou didst trust in thine own beauty, [c] and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.

16 And [d] of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon: *the like things* shall not come, neither shall it be *so*.

17 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images [†] of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,

18 And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil and mine incense before them.

19 My [f] meat also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, *wherewith* I fed thee, thou hast even set it before them for [‡] a sweet savour: and *thus* it was, saith the Lord GOD.

20 Moreover [g] thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them [‖] to be devoured. *Is this* of thy whoredoms a small matter,

21 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through *the fire* for them?

22 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms thou hast not remembered the days of thy [i] youth, when thou wast naked and bare, *and* wast polluted in thy blood.

23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD;)

24 *That* thou hast also built unto thee an [†] eminent place, and [e] hast made thee an high place in every street.

25 Thou hast built thy high place [f] at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.

26 Thou hast also committed fornication with [i] the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.

27 Behold, therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary *food*, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, [k] the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.

28 Thou [l] hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.

29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.

30 How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these *things*, the work of an imperious whorish woman;

31 ¶ In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;

32 *But as* a wife that committeth adultery, *which* taketh strangers instead of her husband!

33 They give gifts to all whores: but [a] thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and [e] hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.

34 And the contrary is in thee from *other* women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

35 ¶ Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:

36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;

37 Behold, therefore [m] I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all *them* that thou hast loved, with all *them* that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

38 And I will judge thee, [§] as [h] women that break wedlock and [i] shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent place, and shall break down thy high places: [k] they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take [o] thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, [m] and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.

41 And they shall [n] burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more.

42 So [p] will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

43 Because [r] thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, [s] but hast fretted me in all these *things*; behold, therefore [t] I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, saith the Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.

44 ¶ Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* proverb against thee, saying, *As is* the mother, *so is* her daughter.

45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that [u] loatheth her husband and her children; and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children: your mother *was* an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.

46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: [x] and [§] thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, *is* Sodom and her daughters.

47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, [a] as *if that were* a very little *thing*, [b] thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.

48 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, [c] Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, [d] fulness of bread,

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[a] Is. 30. 3. Ho. 8. 9.
[b] De. 32. 15. Je. 7. 4. Mi. 3. 11.
[c] *bruised.*
[d] ch. 23. 3, &c. Is. 1. 21. 57. 8 Je. 2. 20. 3. 2, 6, 20. Ho. 1. 2.
[e] 2 Ki. 23. 7.
[†] *of a male.*
[f] Je. 13. 22, 26. La. 1. 8. Ho. 2. 10. Na. 3. 5.
[‡] *a savour of rest.*
[g] 2 Ki. 16. 3. Ps. 106. 37, 38. Is. 57. 5. Je. 7. 31. 32. 35.
[‖] *with judgments of.*
[h] La. 20. 10. De. 22. 22.
[i] Ge. 9. 6. Ex. 21. 12.
[†] *to devour.*
[k] ch. 23. 26. Ho. 2. 3.
[e] *the instruments of thine ornament.*
[l] Je. 2. 2. Ho. 11. 1.
[m] Jno. 8. 5, 7.
[n] De. 13. 16. 2 Ki. 25. 9. Je. 39. 8. 52. 13.
[†] or, *brothel house.*
[o] Is. 57. 5, 7. Je. 2. 20. 3. 2.
[p] Pr. 9. 14.
[r] ch. 5. 13.
[s] Ps. 78. 42.
[t] ch. 8. 10, 14.
[u] Ac. 7. 51. Ep. 4. 30.
[x] ch. 22. 31.
[a] 2 Ch. 28. 18, 19.
[‡] or, *cities.*
[b] 2 Ki. 16. 7, 10. 2 Ch. 28. 23. Je. 2. 18, 36.
[c] Ro. 1. 20, 21.
[d] De. 32. 32. Is. 1. 10.
[§] *lesser than thou.*
[‖] or, *In thy daughters is thine, &c.*
[e] or, *that was lothed as a small* thing
[b] 2 Ki. 21. 9. Jno. 15. 21, 22.
[c] Mat. 10. 15. 11. 24.
[d] Ge. 13. 10.

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and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

50 And they were haughty, and [c] committed abomination before me: therefore [d] I took them away as I saw *good*.

51 Neither [f] hath Samaria committed half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they, and [g] hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done.

52 Thou also, which [h] hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.

53 When [i] I shall bring again their captivity, [k] the captivity of Sodom and her daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, then *will I bring again* the captivity of thy captives [m] in the midst of them:

54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art [n] a comfort unto them.

55 When thy sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate.

56 For thy sister Sodom [p] was not *I* mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy [§] pride,

57 Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of *thy* [r] reproach of the daughters of [t] Syria, and all *that are* round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which [s] despise thee round about.

58 Thou hast [t] borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.

59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised [u] the oath in breaking the covenant.

60 ¶ Nevertheless I will [y] remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee [z] an everlasting covenant.

61 Then [a] thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for [b] daughters, [c] but not by thy covenant.

62 And [d] I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD:

63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, [e] and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when [f] I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XVII.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel;

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [g] A great eagle with great wings, long-winged, full of feathers, which had [§] divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and [h] took the highest branch of the cedar:

4 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of merchants.

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[c] *put it in a field of seed*
[d] De. 8. 7..9.
[b] Is. 41. 4.
[c] Ge. 18. 20. 19. 5. Jude 7.
[d] Ge. 19. 24.
[f] 2 Pe. 2. 6.
[g] ver. 14.
[f] Lu. 12. 47, 48.
[g] Je. 3. 11. Mat. 12. 41, 42.
[h] Mat. 7. 1..5. Ro. 2. 1, 10, 26, 27.
† *field.*
[i] Is. 1. 9.
[k] Je. 20. 16.
[l] 2 Ki. 25. 7.
[m] Ro. 11. 23.. 31.
[m] ch. 14. 22, 23.
[n] ch. 19. 12. Ho. 13. 15.
[p] Lu. 15. 28.. 30.
‡ *for a report, or, hearing.*
[r] 2 Ki. 24. 11 ..16.
§ *prides, or, excellencies.*
[s] 2 Ki. 16. 5.
|| *Aram.*
[t] 2 Ch. 36. 13.
[u] or, *spoil.*
† *brought him to an oath.*
‡ *borne them.*
[u] ch. 29. 14.
§ *to keep his covenant, to stand to it.*
[y] De. 29. 12, 14.
[z] 2 Ki. 24. 20. 2 Ch. 36. 13.
[a] Da. 17. 16. Is. 31. 1, 3. 36. 6, 9.
[y] Ps. 106. 45.
[z] ver. 9.
[a] Je. 32. 40. 50. 5.
[b] ch. 20. 43. 36. 31.
[c] Je. 32. 5. 34. 3. 52. 11.
[d] Is. 54. 1. 60. 4. Ga. 4. 25, &c.
[e] Je. 31. 31, &c.
[f] Je. 37. 7.
[g] Ho. 2. 19, 20.
[h] Je. 52. 4.
[i] Ro. 3. 19. 1 Co. 4. 7.
[f] 1 Ch. 29. 24. Le. 5. 6.
[h] Ro. 5. 1, 2. Tit. 3. 3..7.
[i] ch. 12. 13. 32. 3. Lu. 21. 35.
[m] ch. 20. 36.
[n] ver. 12, &c.
|| *embroidering.*
[o] 2 Ki. 24. 12.

5 He took also of the seed of the land, and [o] planted it in [n] a fruitful field; he placed *it* by great waters, *and* set it [b] *as* a willow tree.

6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine [c] of low stature, whose branches turned toward him, and the roots thereof were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs.

7 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.

8 It was planted in a good †soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.

9 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? †shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

10 Yea, behold, *being* planted, shall it prosper? [e] shall it not utterly wither, when the east wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these *things mean*? tell *them*, Behold, [f] the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

13 And hath taken of the king's seed, and made a covenant with him, [i] and hath †taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

14 That the kingdom might be [n] base, that it might not lift itself up, §*but* that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

15 But [o] he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, [p] that they might give him horses and much people. [q] Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such *things*? or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?

16 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely [r] in the place *where* the king *dwelleth* that made him king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant he brake, *even* with him in the midst of Babylon he shall die.

17 Neither [s] shall Pharaoh with *his* mighty army and great company make for him in the war, [t] by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons:

18 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the covenant, when, lo, he had [u] given his hand, and hath done all these *things*, he shall not escape.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely mine oath that he hath despised, and my covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.

20 And I will [x] spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and [y] will plead with him there for his trespass that he hath trespassed against me.

21 And all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be scattered toward all winds: and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it*.

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22 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also take of the highest [a] branch of the high cedar, and will set *it;* I will crop off from the top of his young twigs [b] a tender one, and will [c] plant *it* upon an high mountain and eminent:

23 In [d] the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it: and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and [e] under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.

24 And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD [h] have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish: [i] I the LORD have spoken and have done *it.*

CHAP. XVIII.

THE word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

2 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The [m] fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?

3 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have *occasion* any more to use this proverb in Israel.

4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: [p] the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

5 ¶ But [q] if a man be just, and do [r] that which is lawful and right,

6 *And* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath [t] defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman,

7 And hath not [u] oppressed any, *but* hath restored to the debtor his [x] pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath [y] given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;

8 He *that* hath not given forth upon [z] usury, neither hath taken any increase, *that* hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, [a] hath executed true judgment between man and man,

9 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he *is* just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.

10 ¶ If he beget a son *that is a* † robber, [b] a shedder of blood, and *that* doeth the like *to any* one of these *things,*

11 And that doeth not any of those *duties,* but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

12 Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,

13 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; [c] his § blood shall be upon him.

14 ¶ Now, lo, *if* he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth, and doeth not such like,

15 *That* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,

16 Neither hath oppressed any, hath not † withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled by violence, *but* hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,

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[a] Is. 11. 1. Je. 23. 5. Zec. 3. 8.
[b] Is. 53. 2.
[c] Ps. 2. 6.
[d] Is. 2. 2, 3. Mi. 4. 1.
[e] ch. 31. 6. Da. 4. 12.
[f] ch. 3. 18. Jno. 8. 21, 24.
[g] Ex. 20. 5. De. 5. 9. 2 Ki. 23. 26. 24. 3, 4.
[h] Lu. 1. 52. 1 Co. 1. 27, 28
[i] ch. 24. 14.
[k] De. 24. 16. 2 Ki. 14. 6. 2 Ch. 25. 4. Je. 31. 29, 30.
[l] Is. 3. 10, 11.
[m] Ro. 2. 9.
[n] La. 5. 7.
[o] ch. 33. 16.
[p] Ro. 6. 23.
[q] 1 Ti. 2. 4. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[r] Je. 22. 15, 16. 1 Jno. 5. 2, 3. *judgment and justice*
[t] Le. 18. 20. 20. 10.
[u] Ex. 22. 21. Le. 19. 15. 25. 14.
[x] 2 Pe. 2. 20.
[y] Ex. 22. 26. De. 24. 12, 13
[z] De. 15. 7, 8. Is. 58. 7. Mat. 25. 35, 36.
[a] Ex. 22. 25. Le. 25. 36, 37 De. 23. 19. Ne. 5. 7. Ps. 15. 5.
[b] De. 1. 16. Zec. 8. 16. Am. 5. 4.
† or, *breaker up of an house.*
[b] Is. 1. 18. 55. 7. Mat. 9. 13.
[c] Ge. 9. 6. Ex. 21. 12. Nu. 35. 31.
‡ or, *that doeth to his brother besides any of these.*
[d] Ac. 3. 40.
[e] Col. 3. 5, 9. Tit. 2. 14.
[f] 2 Co. 5. 10. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[g] Le. 20. 9, &c. Ac. 18. 6.
§ *bloods.*
[h] Mat. 3. 2. Re. 2. 5.
|| or, *others.*
[i] Ep. 4. 22, 23. Ja. 1. 21.
[k] ch. 36. 26. Je. 32. 39.
[l] La. 3. 33. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
• or, *others.*
† *pledged the pledge,* or, *taken to pledge.*

17 *That* hath taken off his hand from the poor, *that* hath not received usury nor increase, hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

18 *As for* his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did *that* which *is* not good among his people, lo, even *he* shall die in his iniquity.

19 ¶ Yet say ye, Why? [k] doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, *and* hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live.

20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. [l] The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: [m] the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, [n] and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

22 All [o] his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.

23 Have [r] I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: *and* not that he should return from his ways, and live?

24 ¶ But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, *and* doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked *man* doeth, shall he live? [p] All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

25 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?

26 When a righteous *man* turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.

27 Again, [s] when the wicked *man* turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, [t] he shall save his soul alive.

28 Because he considereth, [v] and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

29 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the LORD is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

30 Therefore [x] I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. [k] Repent, and turn *yourselves* from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

31 ¶ Cast [l] away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a [m] new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

32 For [y] I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn [•] *yourselves,* and live ye.

CHAP. XIX.

MOREOVER take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,

[m] Ex. 20. 5. De. 5. 9. Je. 32. 18.
[n] Ex. 34. 7. Nu. 14. 18. De. 24. 16. 2 Ki. 14. 6. 2 Ch. 25. 4. Je. 31. 29, 30.
[o] Ps. 103. 12. Is. 43. 25. Je. 31. 34. Mi. 7. 19. He. 8. 12. 10. 17.
[p] ch. 3. 20. 33. 12, 13. Ac. 13. 39. Ga. 5. 4. He. 10. 38. 2 Pe. 2. 20, 21.
[r] Ps. 147. 11. Je. 9. 24. Mi. 7. 18. Lu. 15. 7, 10.
[s] ch. 3. 20. 33. 12, 13. Ac. 13. 39. Ga. 5. 4. He. 10. 38. 2 Pe. 2. 20, 21.
[t] Ja. 5. 20.
[v] Ps. 119. 59. Ac. 26. 18, 20.
[x] ch. 7. 3, 4. 33. 11. Ac. 17. 31.
[k] Is. 55. 7. Je. 3. 12. 4. 1. Ac. 3. 19. 26. 20.
[l] Is. 1. 16. 2 Co. 7. 1. Ep. 4. 22. Col. 3. 8. Tit. 2. 12. He. 12. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 1. 1 Jno. 3. 3.
[m] Je. 31. 33. 32. 39. 2 Co. 3. 3. He. 8. 10. 10. 16.
[y] ch. 33. 11. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
• *yourselves.*

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2 And say, What *is* thy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.
3 And she brought up one of her whelps: [c] it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.
4 The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit, and they brought him with chains unto the land of [d] Egypt.
5 Now when she saw that she had waited, *and* her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, *and* made him a young lion.
6 And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, *and* devoured men.
7 And he knew their [e] desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.
8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.
9 And they put him in ward in † chains, and brought him to the king of Babylon: they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon [f] the mountains of Israel.
10 ¶ Thy mother *is* like a vine in thy § blood, planted by the waters: she was [o] fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters.
11 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her [g] stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.
12 But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the [m] east wind dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.
13 And now she *is* planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.
14 And [p] fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, *which* hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod *to be a* sceptre to rule. ¶ This *is* a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.

CHAP. XX.

AND it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth *month*, the tenth *day* of the month, *that* [a] certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me.
2 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,
3 Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye come to enquire of me? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.
4 Wilt thou ‖judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge *them*? [d] cause them to know the abominations of their fathers:
5 ¶ And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when [e] I chose Israel, and [b] lifted up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and made myself [f] known unto them in the land of Egypt, when I lifted up mine hand unto them, saying, [g] I *am* the LORD your God;
6 In the day *that* I lifted up mine hand unto them, [h] to bring them forth of the land of Egypt into a land that I had espied for them, flowing with milk and honey, [i] which *is* the glory of all lands:
7 Then said I unto them, Cast ye away

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[a] 2 Ch. 15. 8.
[b] Le. 17. 7. 18. 3. De. 29. 16.. 18. Jos. 24. 14.
[c] 2 Ki. 23. 31 ..34.
[d] 2 Ch. 36. 4. Je. 22. 11..17
[e] Ex. 32. 12. Nu. 14. 13, &c. De. 9. 26.
[o] or, *widows.*
[f] Ex. 13. 18.
[g] De. 4. 8. Ne. 9. 13, 14. Ps. 147. 19, 20. Ro. 3. 2.
† *made them to know.*
[h] Le. 18. 5. Ro. 10. 5. Ga. 3. 12.
[i] Ex. 20. 6. De. 5. 12. Ne. 9. 14. Mar. 2. 27, 28
‡ or, *hooks.*
[k] Jno. 17. 17.. 19. 1 Th. 5. 23. Jude 1.
[l] Eze. 6. 2.
[m] Nu. 14. 22. Ps. 78. 40. 95. 8..10.
[n] Pr. 1. 25.
§ or, *quaternions, or, likeness.*
[o] De. 8. 7..9.
[p] Ex. 16. 27.
[r] Nu. 14. 29. 26. 65. Ps. 106. 23.
[s] Da. 4. 11.
[t] Ps. 106. 26.
[u] Ho. 13. 15.
[v] Ju. 9. 15. 2 Ki. 24. 20.
[w] Nu. 15. 39. Ps. 78. 37, 38. Am. 5. 25, 26 Ac. 7. 42, 43.
[y] La. 4. 20.
[z] ch. 8. 1. 14. 1.
[a] De. vi..xii.
[b] Je. 17. 22.
[c] Nu. 25. 1, 2. De. 31. 27.
‖ or, *plead for them.*
[d] ch. 16. 2.
[e] Ex. 6. 7, 8. De. 7. 6.
[o] or, *swore.* ver. 6, &c.
[f] Ex. 3. 8. 4. 31. De. 4. 34.
[g] Ex. 20. 2.
[h] Ex. 3. 8, 17. Je. 32. 22.
[i] Le. 26. 33. De. 28. 64.
[k] Ps. 48. 2. Da. 8. 9. 11. 16, 41. Zec. 7. 14.

every man [a] the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with [b] the idols of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.
8 But they rebelled against me, and would not hearken unto me: they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt: then I said, I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt.
9 But [c] I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, among whom they *were*, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt.
10 ¶ Wherefore I [f] caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness.
11 And [g] I gave them my statutes, and † shewed them my judgments, [h] which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them.
12 Moreover also I gave them my [i] sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I *am* the LORD [k] that sanctify them.
13 But the house of Israel [m] rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my statutes, and they [n] despised my judgments, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them; and my sabbaths they greatly [p] polluted: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, to consume them.
14 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them out.
15 Yet also [q] I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given *them*, flowing with milk and honey, which *is* the glory of all lands;
16 Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for [r] their heart went after their idols.
17 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.
18 But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:
19 I *am* the LORD your God; [s] walk in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;
20 And [t] hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I *am* the LORD your God.
21 Notwithstanding [u] the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes, neither kept my judgments to do them, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted my sabbaths: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness.
22 Nevertheless I withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight I brought them forth.
23 I lifted up mine hand unto them also in the wilderness, that [i] I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;
24 Because they had not executed my judgments, but had despised my statutes,

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and had polluted my sabbaths, and [a] their eyes were after their fathers' idols.

25 Wherefore [b] I gave them also statutes *that were* not good, and judgments whereby they should not live;

26 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass [c] through *the fire* all that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I *am* the LORD.

27 ¶ Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Yet in this your fathers have [d] blasphemed me, in that they have † committed a trespass against me.

28 *For* when I had brought them into the land, *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them, then [e] they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering: there also they made their [m] sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings.

29 Then § I said unto them, What *is* the high place whereunto ye go? And the name thereof is called Bamah unto this day.

30 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [n] Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?

31 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by you, O house of Israel? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, [r] I will not be enquired of by you.

32 And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the heathen, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.

33 ¶ *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and [s] with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:

34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and [v] there will I plead with you face to face.

36 Like [x] as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD.

37 And I will cause you to [y] pass under the rod, and [z] I will bring you into [a] the bond of the covenant:

38 And [b] I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and [c] they shall not enter into the land of Israel: [d] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

39 As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; [f] Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter *also*, if ye will not hearken unto me: [g] but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols.

40 For [h] in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there [i] will I accept them, and there will

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[a] ch. 6. 9.
[m] or, *chief.*
[b] Ps. 81. 12. Ro. 1. 24. 2 Th. 2. 11.
[c] Ep. 5. 2. Phi. 4. 18.
† *savour of rest.*
[d] 2 Ki. 17. 17. 21. 6. 2 Ch. 28. 3. 33. 6. Je. 32. 35.
[e] ch. 16. 23. 20. 23. Jno. 17. 3.
[f] ch. 34. 13.
[g] Ro. 2. 24.
[h] ch. 16. 61.
‡ *trespassed a trespass.*
[i] Le. 26. 39. Ho. 5. 15.
[k] Is.57.5.&c.
[l] Ep. 1. 6. 1 Ti. 1. 16.
[m] ch. 16. 19.
§ or, *I told them what the high place was.*
or, *Bamah.*
[n] Ju. 2. 19. Mat. 23. 32. Ac. 7. 51.
[o] Je. 21. 14.
[p] Lu. 23. 31.
[r] Mat. 25. 11, 12.
[s] Je. 21. 5.
[t] De. 32. 2 Am. 7. 16. Mi. 2. 6, 11.
[u] Job 9. 22.
[v] ch. 17. 20. Je. 2. 9, 35.
[x] Nu. 14. 21, &c. 1 Co. 10. 5., 10.
[y] Le. 27. 32. Je. 33. 13.
[z] Ps.89.30..34
|| or, *a delivering.*
[a] Is. 45. 23. 55. 11.
[b] ch. 34.17,20 Mat. 25. 32, 33.
[c] Is. 22. 4.
[d] Je. 44. 14.
[e] ch. 6. 7. 23. 49.
[f] Ju. 10. 14. Ps. 81. 12. Am. 4. 4.
[g] *go into water.*
[h] ch.22.38,39. Is. 1. 13.
[i] Is. 2. 2, 3. Mi. 4. 1.
[i] De. 32. 41.
[k] Is. 56. 7. 60. 7. Zec. 8. 20, &c. Mal. 3. 4. Ro. 12. 1.

I require your offerings, and the [o] firstfruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.

41 I will accept you with [p] your † sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.

42 And [r] ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, [s] when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.

43 And [t] there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and [u] ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.

44 And [v] ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

45 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

46 Son of man, set thy face toward the south, and drop *thy word* toward the south, and prophesy against the forest of the south field;

47 And say to the forest of the south, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, [x] I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour [y] every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein.

48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.

49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak parables?

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AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and [z] drop *thy word* toward the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel,

3 And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I *am* against thee, and will draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee [a] the righteous and the wicked.

4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked, therefore shall my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

5 That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it [b] shall not return any more.

6 Sigh [c] therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of *thy* loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall [d] be weak *as* water: behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.

8 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, [e] A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:

10 It is sharpened to make a sore slaugh-

[o] ch. 6. 9.
[p] or, *chief.*
† *savour of rest.*
[r] ch. 6. 7. 23. 49.
[s] Ju. 10. 14. Ps. 81. 12. Am. 4. 4.
[t] ch. 6. 9. 20. 43. 36. 31.
[u] ch. 20. 43. 36. 31.
[v] ch. 14. 23. 24. 24.
[x] Je. 17. 27. Am. 1. 4, &c.
[y] Je. 22. 6. Lu. 23. 31.
[z] ch. 6. 2. 13. 17. 25. 2. 28. 21. 29. 21. 35. 2. 36. 1. Am. 7. 16.
[a] Ps. 73. 27. Je. 7. 20. 44. 11. Na. 1. 6.
[b] Je. 4. 28. 23. 20. 30. 24. 51. 6, 45.
[c] Ps. 119. 136. Je. 9. 1. 13. 17. Lu. 19. 41.
[d] Je. 6. 24. 50. 43.
[e] De. 32. 41. Is. 34. 5. 66. 16. Je. 12. 12. 47. 6.

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ter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? [e] it contemneth the rod of my son, *as* every tree.

11 And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened, and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slayer.

12 Cry and howl, son of man: for it shall be upon my people, it *shall be* upon all the princes of Israel: ‖ terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people: [d] smite therefore upon *thy* thigh.

13 § Because *it is* [e] a trial, and what if *the sword* contemn even the rod? [f] it shall be no *more*, saith the Lord GOD.

14 Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and [h] smite *thine* [g] hands together, and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain: it *is* the sword of the great *men that are* slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.

15 I have set the † point of the sword against all their gates, that *their* heart may faint, and *their* ruins be multiplied: ah! *it is* made bright, *it is* ‡ wrapped up for the slaughter.

16 Go thee one way or other, *either* on the right hand, [e] *or* on the left, whithersoever thy face *is* set.

17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have said *it*.

18 ¶ The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

19 Also, thou son of man, appoint thee two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon may come: both twain shall come forth out of one land: and choose thou a place, choose *it* at the head of the way to the city.

20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come *to* Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

21 For the king of Babylon stood at the § parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, to use divination: he made *his* [e] arrows bright, he consulted with † images, he looked in the liver.

22 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem, to appoint § captains, to open the mouth in the slaughter, to [l] lift up the voice with shouting, to appoint *battering* rams against the gates, to cast a mount, *and* to build a fort.

23 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight, [e] to them that have sworn oaths: but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.

24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have made your iniquity to be remembered, in that your transgressions are discovered, so that in all your doings your sins do appear; because, *I say*, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be taken with the hand.

25 ¶ And thou, [l] profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity *shall have* an end,

26 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this *shall* not *be* the same: [e] exalt *him that is* low, and abase *him that is* high.

27 ‖ I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, [k] until he come whose right it is; and I will give it *him*.

28 ¶ And thou, son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, and concerning their reproach; even say thou, The sword,

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[e] or, It is *the rod of my son, it despiseth every tree.*
[a] Job 18. 20.
† or, *Cause it to return.*
[b] Je. 47. 6. 7.
‡ or, *they are thrust down to the sword with my people.*
[c] Ge. 15. 14.
[d] Je. 31. 19.
§ or, *When the trial* hath been, *what then? shall they not also belong to the despising rod?*
[e] 2 Co. 5. 2.
[f] ch. 7. 8.
[g] ver. 27.
‖ or, *burning*
[h] Nu. 24. 10.
[e] *hand to hand.*
† or, *glittering, or, fear.*
‡ or, *sharpened.*
§ or, *plead for*
[k] Na. 3. 1.
‖ *city of bloods.*
[e] *set thyself, take the left hand.*
† *make her know.*
[l] 2 Ki. 21. 16.
[m] De. 28. 37.
‡ *polluted of name, much in vexation*
§ *mother of the way.*
‖ *arm.*
[e] or, *knives.*
[n] De. 32. 16.
† *teraphim.*
[e] Ex. 22. 21, 23
‡ or, *deceit.*
§ *rams,* or, battering *rams.*
[p] Je. 51. 14.
[q] Le. 19. 30.
‖ *men of slanders.*
[r] Ex. 23. 1.
[e] or, *for the oaths made unto them.*
[t] Le. 18. 7, &c. 1 Co. 5. 1.
[u] Le. 20. 18.
† or, *every one.*
[v] De. 22. 22.
‡ or, *every one.*
§ or, *by lewdness.*
[w] Ex. 23. 8.
[x] 2 Ch. 36. 13.
[y] Le. 25. 38.
[z] Lu. 1. 52.
‖ *Perverted, perverted, perverted, will I make it.*
[k] Jno. 1. 49.

the sword *is* drawn: for the slaughter *it is* furbished, to consume because of the glittering:

29 Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon the necks of *them that are* slain, of the wicked, [q] whose day is come, when their iniquity *shall have* an end.

30 † Shall [k] I cause *it* to return into his sheath? [e] I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.

31 And I will [s] pour out mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath, and deliver thee into the hand of ‖ brutish men, *and* skilful to destroy.

32 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of the land; thou shalt be no *more* remembered: for I the LORD have spoken *it*.

CHAP. XXII.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Now, thou son of man, wilt thou § judge, wilt thou judge [k] the ‖ bloody city? yea, thou shalt † shew her all her abominations.

3 Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.

4 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast [t] shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come *even* unto thy years: [m] therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.

5 *Those that be* near, and *those that be* far from thee, shall mock thee, *which art* ‡ infamous *and* much vexed.

6 Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their ‖ power to shed blood.

7 In thee have they [u] set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they [v] dealt by § oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.

8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast [r] profaned my sabbaths.

9 In thee are [t] men [e] that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.

10 In thee have they [t] discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was [u] set apart for pollution.

11 And † one hath committed abomination [v] with his neighbour's wife; and † another hath § lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

12 In thee [w] have they taken gifts to shed blood; [x] thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.

13 ¶ Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee? I the LORD have spoken *it*, and will do *it*.

15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the coun-

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tries, and [a] will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

16 And thou [•] shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen, and [c] thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, [d] the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they *are* brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are *even* the [§] dross of silver.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

20 [†] *As* they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt *it;* so will I gather *you* in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave *you there*, and melt you.

21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.

23 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

24 Son of man, say unto her, Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

25 *There* [‡] *is* a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they [i] have devoured souls; [k] they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

26 Her [m] priests have [•] violated my law, and have [n] profaned mine holy things: they have put no [•] difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

27 Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *morter*, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

29 The [p] people of the land have used [§] oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have [r] oppressed the stranger [•] wrongfully.

30 And [s] I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and [t] stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXIII.

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, there were [v] two women, the daughters of one mother:

3 And [y] they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

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[a] ch. 23. 27, 48.
[•] or, *shall be profaned.*
[b] ch. 16. 8, 20.
[c] Ps. 9. 16.
[†] i. e. *His tent*, or, *tabernacle.*
[‡] i. e. *My tabernacle in her.* 1 Ki. 8. 29.
[d] Ps. 119. 119. Is. 1. 22.
[e] 2 Ki. 15. 19. 17. 3. Ho. 8. 9.
[§] *drosses.*
[||] *bestowed her whoredoms upon them.*
[•] *choice of thechildren of Asshur.*
[†] According *to the gathering.*
[f] 2 Ki. 17. 3., 6, 23. 18. 9., 11.
[‡] *a name.*
[g] Jo. 3. 11.
[§] *corrupted her inordinate love more than she.*
[h] Ho. 6. 9.
[||] *the whoredoms of her sister.*
[i] Mat. 23. 14.
[k] 2 Ch. 28. 16 ., 23.
[l] Mi. 3. 11.
[m] Mal. 2. 8.
[•] *offered violence to.*
[n] 1 Sa. 2. 29.
[•] Le. 10. 10. Je. 15. 19.
[†] *at the sight of her eyes.*
[‡] *children of Babel.*
[p] Je. 5. 26., 28.
[§] or, *deceit.*
[||] *loosed*, or, *disjointed.*
[r] Ex. 22. 21.
[•] *without right.*
[s] Je. 5. 1.
[t] Ps. 106. 23.
[u] ch. 16. 26.
[v] ch. 16. 46.
Je. 3. 7, 8.
[x] ch. 16. 37. Is. 10. 5, 6. 39. 3, 4. Re. 17. 16.
[y] Le. 17. 7. Jos. 24. 14.
[z] Je. 50. 21.

4 And the names of them *were* Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and [‡] they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus *were* their names; Samaria *is* [†] Aholah, and Jerusalem [‡] Aholibah.

5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on [x] the Assyrians *her* neighbours,

6 *Which were* clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.

7 Thus she [||] committed her whoredoms with them, with all them *that were* the [•] chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself.

8 Neither left she her whoredoms *brought* from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.

9 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the [f] Assyrians, upon whom she doted.

10 These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became [†] famous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.

11 And when her sister Aholibah saw *this*, [g] she [§] was more corrupt in her inordinate love than she, and in her whoredoms more than [‡] her sister in *her* whoredoms.

12 She doted upon the [h] Assyrians *her* neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men.

13 Then I saw that she was defiled, *that* they *took* both one way,

14 And *that* she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans pourtrayed with vermilion,

15 Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads, all of them princes to look to, after the manner of the Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their nativity:

16 And [†] as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doated upon them, and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea.

17 And the [‡] Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their whoredom, and she was polluted with them, and her mind was [||] alienated from them.

18 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then my mind was alienated from her, like as my mind was alienated from her sister.

19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.

20 For she doted upon their paramours, [u] whose flesh *is as* the flesh of asses, and whose issue *is like* the issue of horses.

21 Thus thou calledst *to remembrance* the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

22 ¶ Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the Lord GOD; [z] Behold, I will raise up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;

23 The Babylonians, and all the Chaldeans, [a] Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa, *and*

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all the Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.

24 And they shall come against thee with [d] chariots, wagons, and wheels, and with an assembly of people, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and *I* will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their judgments.

25 And I will set [f] my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.

26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy [g] fair jewels.

27 Thus [h] will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom *brought* from the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more.

28 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand *of them* whom thou hatest, into the hand *of them* from whom thy mind is alienated:

29 And they shall deal with thee [k] hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

30 I will do these *things* unto thee, because thou hast [e] gone a whoring after the heathen, *and* because thou art polluted with their idols.

31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her [r] cup into thine hand.

32 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large: [s] thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it containeth much.

33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.

34 Thou shalt [u] even drink it and suck *it* out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof, and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.

35 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou [v] hast forgotten me, and [w] cast me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

36 ¶ The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou § judge [x] Aholah and Aholibah? yea, [b] declare unto them their abominations;

37 That they have committed adultery, and blood *is* in their hands, and with their idols have they committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, [c] whom they bare unto me, to pass for them through *the fire*, to devour *them*.

38 Moreover this they have done unto me: they have defiled my sanctuary in the same day, and [d] have profaned my sabbaths.

39 For when they had slain their children to their idols, then [e] they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, [f] thus have they done in the midst of mine house.

40 And furthermore, that ye have sent for men ‖ to come from far, [g] unto whom

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[a] Ru. 3. 3.
[b] 2 Ki. 9. 30. Je. 4. 30.
[c] *honourable*
[d] Ez. 1. 6. Is. 37. 7. Am. 2. 6. 6. 4.
[d] Je. 47. 2. 3. Na. 2. 3, 4.
[e] Pr. 7. 17. Ho. 2. 8.
[f] 2 Sa. 24. 14.
† *multitude of men.*
‡ or, *drunkards.*
[g] Ex. 34. 14. De. 29. 20. Ca. 8. 6. Zep. 1. 18.
§ *her whoredoms.*
‖ *instruments of thydecking* Is. 3. 18...24. 1 Pe. 3. 3, 4.
[h] ch. 22. 15.
[i] ch. 16. 38. Jno. 8. 5, 7.
[k] *for a removing and spoil.*
[k] De. 28. 47. 53.
[l] ch. 16. 41.
† or, *single them out.*
[m] ch. 24. 21. 2 Ch. 36. 17, 19.
[n] De. 13. 11. 2 Pe. 2. 6.
[o] ch. 6. 9 Ps. 106. 35... 39.
[p] ch. 20. 38, 43. 44. 25. 5.
[r] Je. 25. 15, &c
[s] ch. 22. 4, 5.
[t] 2 Ki. 25. 1. Je. 39. 1. 52. 4.
[u] Ps. 75. 8. Is. 51. 17.
[v] ch. 17. 12.
[w] ch. 11. 3. Je. 1. 13.
[x] Je. 2. 22. 3. 21. 13. 25.
[a] 1 Ki. 14. 9. Ne. 9. 26.
‡ or, *heap.*
§ or, *plead for.*
[b] ch. 20. 4. 22. 2.
[b] Is. 58. 1.
[c] ch. 23. 37.
[d] 2 Sa. 4. 2. Joel 3. 3. Ob. 11. Na. 3. 10.
[e] ch. 16. 20, &c 20. 26, 31.
[f] Le. 17. 13. De. 12. 16, 24.
[g] ch. 22. 8.
[h] Mat. 7. 2.
[i] Jno. 16. 26.
[k] Na. 3. 1. Hab. 2. 12
[l] 2 Ki. 21. 4.
‖ *coming.*
[m] Is. 57. 9.

a messenger *was* sent; and, lo, they came: for whom thou didst [a] wash thyself, [b] paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments,

41 And satest upon a [c] stately [c] bed, and a table prepared before it, [c] whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.

42 And a voice of a multitude being at ease *was* with her: and with the men of the † common sort *were* brought ‡ Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.

43 Then said I unto *her that was* old in adulteries, Will they now commit § whoredoms with her, and she *with them?*

44 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto Aholah and unto Aholibah, the lewd women.

45 ¶ And the righteous men, they shall [i] judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood; because they *are* adulteresses, and blood *is* in their hands.

46 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them [k] to be removed and spoiled.

47 And [l] the company shall stone them with stones, and † dispatch them with their swords; [m] they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.

48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, [n] that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

49 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the sins of your idols: [o] and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXIV.

AGAIN in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, write thee the name of the day, *even* of this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem [t] this same day.

3 And [u] utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [x] Set on a pot, set *it* on, and also pour water into it:

4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, *even* every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill *it* with the choice bones.

5 Take the choice of the flock, and burn also the bones under it, *and* make it boil well, and let them seethe the bones of it therein.

6 ¶ Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to [y] the bloody city, to the pot whose scum *is* therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no [d] lot fall upon it.

7 For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the top of a rock; [f] she poured it not upon the ground, to cover it with dust;

8 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance; [h] I have set her blood upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.

9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [k] Woe to the bloody city! I will even make the pile for fire great.

10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it well, and let the bones be burned.

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11 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof, that the brass of it may be hot, and may burn, and *that* [a] the filthiness of it may be molten in it, *that* the scum of it may be consumed.

12 She hath wearied *herself* with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum *shall be* in the fire.

13 In thy filthiness *is* lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, [c] till I have caused my fury to rest upon thee.

14 I [d] the LORD have spoken *it*: it shall come to pass, and I will do *it*; I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

16 Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears [e] run down.

17 † Forbear to cry, [f] make no mourning for the dead, [f] bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and [g] put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and [h] cover not *thy* ‡ lips, and eat not the bread of men.

18 So I spake unto the people in the morning: and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded.

19 ¶ And the people said unto me, [k] Wilt thou not tell us what these *things are* to us, that thou doest *so*?

20 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Speak unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, [l] I will profane my sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, [m] the desire of your eyes, and [n] that which your soul pitieth; [o] and your sons and your daughters whom ye have left shall fall by the sword.

22 And ye shall do as I have done: [p] ye shall not cover *your* lips, nor eat the bread of men.

23 And your tires *shall be* upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: [r] ye shall not mourn nor weep; but [s] ye shall pine away for your iniquities, and mourn one toward another.

24 Thus [t] Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done shall ye do: [u] and when this cometh, ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

25 Also, thou son of man, *shall it* not *be* in the day when I take from them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and § that whereupon they set their minds, their sons and their daughters,

26 *That* he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to cause *thee* to hear *it* with *thine* ears?

27 In [x] that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a sign unto them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXV.

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face [a] against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;

3 And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; [f] Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was

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[a] ch. 22. 15. * *children.*
[b] Is. 17. 2.
[c] ch. 5. 13. 16. 42.
[d] 1 Sa. 15. 29. † *hand.* ‡ *foot.* § *soul.*
|| or, *meat.*
[e] *go.*
† *Be silent.*
[e] Je. 16. 5..7.
[f] Le. 10. 6. 21. 10.
[g] 2 Sa. 15. 30.
[h] Is. XV. XVI. Je. 48. 1, &c. Am. 2. 1.
[i] Mi. 3. 7. ‡ *upper lip.* ver. 22. Le. 13. 45. § *shoulder.*
[k] ch. 12. 9. 37. 18.
|| or, *against the children of Ammon.*
[l] ch. 7. 20..22. Je. 7. 14.
[m] Ps. 27. 4.
[n] 2 Ch. 28. 17. Ps. 137. 7. Je. 49. 7, &c. Ob. 10, &c. * *the pity of your soul.*
[o] ch. 23. 47.
† *revenging revenge-ment.*
[p] Je. 16. 6, 7.
[r] Job 27. 15. Ps. 78. 64
[s] ch. 33. 10. Le. 26. 39. ‡ *or, they shall fall by the sword unto Dedan*
[t] Is. 11. 14. Je. 49. 2.
[u] ch. 4. 3. Is. 20. 3.
[x] Je. 17. 15. Jno. 13. 19. 14. 29.
[y] 2 Ch. 28. 18. Joel 3. 4, &c. Am. 1. 6. § *the lifting up of their soul.*
|| or, *with perpetual hatred.*
[y] Zep. 2. 4, &c.
[a] ch. 3. 25, 27. 29. 21.
[a] 1 Sa. 30. 14.
[b] Je. 47. 4.
[b] or, *haven of the sea.* † *vengeances*
[c] Ps. 9. 16.
[d] Je. 49. 1, &c. Am. 1. 13.
[e] Is. XXIII. Je. 25. 22. 47. 4. Am. 1. 9. Zec. 9. 2.
[f] Pr. 17. 5.

profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity:

4 Behold, therefore I will deliver thee to the [a] men of the east for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit, and they shall drink thy milk.

5 And I will make Rabbah [b] a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couching-place for flocks: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

6 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast clapped *thine* † hands, and stamped with the § feet, and rejoiced in § heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel;

7 Behold, therefore I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for || a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

8 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that [k] Moab and Seir do say, Behold, the house of Judah *is* like unto all the heathen;

9 Therefore, behold, I will open the § side of Moab from the cities, from his cities *which are* on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim,

10 Unto the men of the east || with the Ammonites, and will give them in possession, that the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations.

11 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

12 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; [m] Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah by † taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also stretch out mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; and ‡ they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

14 And [r] I will lay my vengeance upon Edom by the hand of my people Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my fury; and they shall know my vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; [s] Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy *it* || for the old hatred;

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, [t] I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the [a] Cherethims, [b] and destroy the remnant of the [b] sea coast.

17 And I will execute great † vengeance upon them with furious rebukes; [c] and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.

CHAP. XXVI.

AND it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, [e] because that Tyrus hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken *that was* the gates of the people:

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she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, *now* she is laid waste:

3 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

4 And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.

5 It shall be *a place for* the spreading of nets [d] in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations.

6 And her daughters which *are* in the field shall be slain by the sword; [f] and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

7 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, [g] a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

8 He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field: and he shall [h] make a fort against thee, and ‖ cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.

9 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.

10 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into thy gates, [i] as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

11 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall go down to the ground.

12 And they shall [k] make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy ‖ thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

13 And [l] I will cause the noise of [m] thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.

14 And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be *a place* to spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for [n] I the LORD have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus; Shall not the isles [o] shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

16 Then all the [p] princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with [q] trembling; [r] they shall sit upon the ground, and [s] shall tremble at *every* moment, and be astonished at thee.

17 And they shall take up a [t] lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed, *that wast* inhabited [u] of seafaring men, the renowned city, which was [x] strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror *to be* on all that haunt it!

18 Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the isles that *are* in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

19 For thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee;

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[a] ch. 32. 18, 24.
[b] ch. 28. 19.
[c] *terrors.*
[d] Ps. 37. 35.
[e] ch. 27. 32.
[f] ch. 28. 12. 32. 2.
[g] ch. 25. 5.
[h] ch. 28. 2.
[i] Is. 23. 3.
[k] Ezr. 7. 12. Da. 2. 37.
† *perfect of beauty.*
‡ *heart.*
§ *built.*
[l] ch. 21. 22. 2 Sa. 20. 15.
[m] Is. 24. 8.
‖ or, *pour out the engine of shot.*
[n] *the daughter*, or, *they have made thy hatches of ivory well trodden.*
[o] Jo. 2. 10.
† or, *purple and scarlet.*
‡ *according to the enterings of a city broken up.*
[p] 1 Ki. 5. 18. Ps. 93. 7.
§ *strengthenert*, or, *stoppers of chinks.*
[q] Mat. 8. 19, 20.
‖ *heart of thy desire.*
[r] Je. 46. 9.
[s] Is. 14. 11. Je. 7. 34. 25. 10. Ho. 2. 11.
[t] Je. 5. 1, 5.
[u] Is. 23. 16. Re. 18. 22.
[x] Ge. 10. 4. 2 Ch. 20. 36.
[y] Nu. 23. 19. Job 41. 8. Mat. 24. 35.
[z] ch. 31. 16. Je. 49. 21. He. 12. 26, 27
[a] Ge. 10. 2.
[b] Re. 18. 13.
[c] Is. 23. 6. Jon. 3. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[d] or, *merchandise.*
[e] Ge. 10. 3.
† *tremblings.*
[f] Job 2. 13.
[g] Ge. 10. 7.
[h] ch. 32. 10.
[i] ch. 27. 32. Re. 18. 9.
‡ *of the seas.*
§ *thy works.*
[k] Is. 23. 4.
‖ *chrysoprase.*
[l] 1 Ki. 5. 9, 11. Ezr. 3. 7. Ac. 12. 20.
[m] Ju. 11. 33.
[n] Je. 8. 22.
[o] or, *roam.*

20 When I shall bring thee down [a] with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in the land of the living;

21 I [b] will make thee [c] a terror, and thou *shalt be* no *more*: [d] though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXVII.

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Now, thou son of man, [e] take up a lamentation for Tyrus;

3 And say unto Tyrus, [f] O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, *which art* [h] a merchant of the people for many isles, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O Tyrus, thou hast said, I *am* † of perfect beauty.

4 Thy borders *are* in the midst of the seas, thy builders have perfected thy beauty.

5 They have § made all thy *ship* boards of fir trees of [i] Senir: they have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masts for thee.

6 *Of* the oaks of Bashan have they made thine oars; [k] the company of the Ashurites have made thy benches *of* ivory, *brought* out of [m] the isles of Chittim.

7 Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail; [l] blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.

8 The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy mariners: thy wise *men*, O Tyrus, *that* were in thee, were thy pilots.

9 The ancients of [n] Gebal and the wise *men* thereof were in thee thy § calkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.

10 They of Persia and of Lud and of [p] Phut were in thine army, thy men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.

11 The men of Arvad with thine army *were* upon thy walls round about, and the Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about; they have made thy beauty perfect.

12 Tarshish [r] *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all *kind of* riches; with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.

13 [s] Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they *were* thy merchants: they traded [t] the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy [u] market.

14 They of the house of [x] Togarmah traded in thy fairs with horses and horsemen and mules.

15 The men of [y] Dedan *were* thy merchants; many isles *were* the merchandise of thine hand: they brought thee *for* a present horns of ivory and ebony.

16 Syria *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of § the wares of thy making; they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and broidered work, and fine linen, and coral, and ‖ agate.

17 Judah, and the land of Israel, they *were* thy merchants: they traded in thy market [z] wheat of [a] Minnith, and Pannag, and honey, and oil, [b] and [c] balm.

18 Damascus *was* thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making, for the multitude of all riches; in the wine of Helbon, and white wool.

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19 Dan also and Javan [a]going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

20 Dedan [c] *was* thy merchant in [†] precious clothes for chariots.

21 Arabia, and all the princes of [b] Kedar, they [‡] occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these *were they* thy merchants.

22 The merchants of [c] Sheba and Raamah, they *were* thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.

23 *Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of [d] Sheba, Asshur, and Chilmad, were* thy merchants.

24 These *were* thy merchants in [‖] all sorts *of things*, in blue [e] clothes, and broidered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among thy merchandise.

25 The [f] ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.

26 ¶ Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: [*] the east wind hath broken thee in the [‡] midst of the seas.

27 Thy [m] riches, and thy fairs, thy merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of war, that *are* in thee, [§] and in all thy company which *is* in the midst of thee, shall fall into the [‖] midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin.

28 The [*] suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

29 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, *and* all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships, they shall stand upon the land;

30 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall [*] cast up dust upon their heads, they [*] shall wallow themselves in the ashes:

31 And they shall [*] make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart *and* bitter wailing.

32 And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee, *saying*, What *city is* like Tyrus, like the destroyed in the midst of the sea?

33 When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.

34 In the time *when* [*] thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.

35 All the inhabitants of the isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid, they shall be troubled in *their* countenance.

36 The merchants among the people shall [*] hiss at thee; thou shalt be [‖] a terror, and [*] never *shalt be* any more.

CHAP. XXVIII.

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [a] Because thine heart *is* lifted up, and thou hast said, [b] *I am* a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the [‡] midst of the seas; [c] yet thou *art* a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:

3 Behold [f] thou *art* wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:

4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:

5 By [§] thy [c] great wisdom *and* [d] by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

6 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

7 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, [*] the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

8 They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of *them that are* slain in the midst of the seas.

9 Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I *am* God? but thou *shalt be* a man, and no God, in the hand of him that [†] slayeth thee.

10 Thou shalt die the deaths of [h] the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

13 Thou hast been in [m] Eden the garden of God; every precious stone *was* thy covering, the [†] sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the [‡] beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the [§] emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of [*] thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

14 Thou *art* the anointed [*] cherub that covereth; and I have set thee *so*: thou wast upon [m] the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

15 Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast [n] corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee *to* ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: [o] thou shalt be [‡] a terror, and never *shalt* thou *be* any more.

20 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Son of man, set thy face [d] against Zidon, and prophesy against it,

22 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [f] Behold, I *am* against thee, O Zidon;

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[a] or, *Meusal.*
[c] Ge. 25. 3.
[†] *clothes of freedom.*
[b] Ge. 25. 13. Is. 60. 7.
[‡] *were the merchants of thy hand*
[§] *the greatness of thy wisdom.*
[e] Ps. 62. 10. Zec. 9. 3. Ro. 12. 16.
[d] Ja. 4. 13, 14.
[e] Ge. 10. 7. 1 Ki. 10. 1, 2. Ps. 72. 10, 15. Is. 60. 6.
[f] Ge. 11. 31. 2 Ki. 19. 12.
[g] Ge. 25. 3.
[h] ch. 30. 11. 32. 12.
[‖] or, *excellent things.*
[*] *foldings.*
[i] Is. 2. 16. 23. 14.
[†] or, *wounded.*
[k] ch. 31. 18. Jno. 8. 24. Ac. 7. 51.
[l] Ps. 48. 7.
[‡] *heart.*
[m] Pr. 11. 4. Re. 18. 9, &c.
[§] or, *even with all.*
[‖] *heart.*
[*] or, *waves.*
[n] ch. 31. 8, 9. Ge. 2. 8.
[†] or, *ruby.*
[‡] or, *chrysolite.*
[§] or, *chrysoprase.*
[o] ch. 26. 13.
[p] Job 2. 12. Re. 18. 19.
[q] Ex. 25. 20.
[r] Ex. 4. 1, 3. Je. 6. 25.
[t] Je. 16. 6.
[u] ch. 20. 40.
[v] ch. 26. 19.
[x] Ro. 1. 22, 25. 1 Co. 1. 19, 21
[y] Je. 18. 16.
[‖] *terrors.*
[*] *shalt not be for ever.*
[z] ch. 26. 21.
[†] *terrors.*
[a] Pr. 16. 18. Is. 2. 12. 1 Ti. 3. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[b] Ac. 12. 22, 23. 2 Th. 2. 4.
[‡] *heart.*
[c] Is. 31. 3.
[d] ch. 32. 30. Is. 23. 4, 12. Je. 25. 22. 27. 3.
[e] Zec. 9. 2.
[f] ch. 38. 13. Ex. 14. 4, 17.

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and I will be glorified in the midst of thee: and [b] they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall have executed judgments in her, and shall be [c] sanctified in her.

23 For [d] I will send into her pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

24 ¶ And there shall be no more [f] a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor *any* grieving thorn of all *that are* round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

25 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have [h] gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that [i] I have given to my servant Jacob.

26 And they shall [l] dwell † safely therein, and shall [m] build houses, and [n] plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that § despise them round about them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God.

CHAP. XXIX.

IN the tenth year, in the tenth *month*, in the twelfth *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, [p] set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and [q] against all Egypt:

3 Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [r] Behold, I *am* against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great [s] dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made *it* for myself.

4 But [t] I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales.

5 And I will leave thee *thrown* into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the † open fields; [u] thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: [b] I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven.

6 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I *am* the LORD, because they have been a [d] staff of reed to the house of Israel.

7 When [f] they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.

8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring [g] a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.

9 And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD: because he hath said, The river *is* mine, and I have made *it*.

10 Behold, therefore I *am* against thee, and against thy rivers, [k] and I will make the land of Egypt † utterly waste *and* desolate, ‡ from the tower of § Syene even unto the border of Ethiopia.

11 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

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[a] ch. 30. 7, 26.
[b] Ps. 9. 16.
[c] ch. 20. 41. 36. 23.
[d] ch. 38. 22.
[e] Is. 19. 23. Je. 46. 25.
[f] Nu. 33. 55. Jos. 23. 13. 2 Co. 12. 7.
[g] or, *birth.*
† *loss.*
[h] ch. 17. 6, 14.
[i] ch. 11. 17. 37. 21. Is. 11. 12.
[l] Ge. 28. 13, 14
[k] Is. 30. 2, 3. 36. 4, 6.
[l] Je. 23. 6.
‡ or, *with confidence.*
[m] Is. 65. 21. Am. 9. 14.
[n] Je. 31. 5.
[o] He. 10. 3, 17. Re. 16. 19.
§ or, *spoil.*
[p] ch. 28. 7, 8. Je. 27. 6.
[q] ch. 28. 21.
[r] Is. 19. 1. Je. 25. 19. 46. 2, 25.
[s] Je. 44. 30.
[t] Ps. 74. 13, 14. Is. 27. 1. 51. 9.
‖ *spoil her spoil, and prey her prey.*
[u] Is. 27. 29.
[b] or, *for his hire.*
[x] Je. 25. 9.
[y] Ps. 132. 17.
[z] ch. 24. 27. Ps. 51. 13, 15. Lu. 21. 15. Col. 4. 3, 4.
† *face of the field.*
[a] Je. 8. 2. 25. 33.
[b] Je. 7. 33. 34. 20.
[c] Is. 13. 6.
[d] 2 Ki. 18. 21. Is. 36. 6.
[e] ch. 7. 7, 12. Joel 2. 1. Zep. 1. 7.
[f] ch. 17. 17. Je 37. 5, 7, 11.
‡ or, *fear.*
[g] ch. 14. 17.
[h] Je. 50. 15.
§ *Phut.* ch. 27. 10.
[i] Je. 25. 20, 24.
‖ *children.*
[k] ch. 30. 12.
[l] or, *from Migdol to Syene.*
[l] ch. 29. 10.
† *wastes of waste.*
‡ or, *from Migdol to Syene.*
Es. 14. 2. Je. 44. 1.
§ *Seveneh.*

12 And [a] I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities among the cities *that are* laid waste shall be desolate forty years: and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

13 ¶ Yet thus saith the Lord GOD; At the [c] end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered:

14 And I will bring again the captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return *into* the land of Pathros, into the land of their [e] habitation; and they shall be there a † base [f] kingdom.

15 It shall be the basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself any more above the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.

16 And it shall be no more [h] the confidence of the house of Israel, which [o] bringeth *their* iniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them: but they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

17 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, [p] Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyrus: every head *was* made bald, and every shoulder *was* peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and ‖ take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.

20 I have given him the land of Egypt [o] *for* his labour wherewith he [r] served against it, because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.

21 ¶ In that day [y] will I cause the horn of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee [z] the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXX.

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [c] Howl ye, Woe worth the day!

3 For [c] the day *is* near, even the day of the LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.

4 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great ‡ pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and [h] her foundations shall be broken down.

5 Ethiopia, and § Libya, and Lydia, and [i] all the mingled people, and Chub, and the ‖ men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.

6 Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: [o] from [l] the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities *that are* wasted.

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8 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and *when* all her helpers shall be [a] destroyed.

9 In that day [b] shall messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and [c] great pain shall come upon them, as in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh.

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

11 He and his people with him, [d] the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

12 And [f] I will make the rivers ‖ dry, and [g] sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I will make the land waste, and [h] all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken *it*.

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also [i] destroy the idols, and I will cause *their* images to cease out of Noph; [k] and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt: [l] and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt.

14 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire [m] in ‖ Zoan, [n] and will execute judgments in No.

15 And I will pour my fury upon ‖ Sin, the strength of Egypt; and [p] I will cut off the multitude of No.

16 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and Noph *shall have* distresses daily.

17 The young men of [q] Aven and of † Pi-beseth shall fall by the sword: and these *cities* shall go into captivity.

18 At [r] Tehaphnehes also the day shall be ‡ darkened, when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.

19 Thus [s] will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

20 ¶ And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *month*, in the seventh *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Son of man, I have [t] broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, [u] it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.

22 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.

23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

24 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my sword in his hand: but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded *man*.

25 But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and [x] they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.

26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

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[a] *broken.*
[b] Is. 18. 1, 2.
[c] 1 Th. 5. 3.
[d] ch. 28. 7.
[e] Da. 4. 10.
† *fair of branches.*
[f] Je. 51. 36.
‡ *or, nourished.*
[g] Is. 19. 5, 6.
§ *drought.*
‖ *or, brought him up.*
[h] Is. 19. 4.
[i] *or, conduits.*
† *the fulness thereof.*
[k] Ps. 37. 35, 36. Da. 4. 11.
[l] Is. 19. 1. Je. 43. 12. 46. 25. Zec. 13. 2.
[m] Zec. 10. 11.
‡ *or, when it sent* them *forth.*
[n] Is. 19. 16.
[p] ch. 17. 23. Da. 4. 12. Mat. 13. 32.
[q] Ps. 78. 12, 43
§ *or, Tanis.*
[r] Na. 3. 8..10.
‖ *or, Pelusium.*
[s] Je. 46. 25.
[t] Ge. 2. 8. 13. 10.
[u] *or, Heliopolis.*
† *or, Pubastum.*
[x] Je. 2. 16.
‡ *or, restrained.*
[t] Ge. 26. 14. 37. 11. 1 Sa. 18. 15. Pr. 27. 4. Ja. 4. 5, 6.
[u] Mat. 23. 12.
[v] Ps. 149. 7. Ro. 2. 5.
[x] Da. 5. 20.
§ *in doing he shall do unto him.*
[y] Je. 2. 13.
[z] ch. 28. 7.
[a] Je. 48. 26.
[b] ch. 32. 5. 35. 8.
[c] Je. 46. 11.
[d] Ps. 37. 17.
[e] De. 13. 11. 1 Co. 10. 11. 2 Pe. 2. 6.
‖ *or, stand upon themselves for their height*
[f] Ps. 82. 7. He. 9. 27.
[g] Ps. 9. 16.
[h] *be black.*

CHAP. XXXI.

AND it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third *month*, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness?

3 ¶ Behold, [d] the Assyrian *was* a cedar in Lebanon † with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

4 The [e] waters made him great, the deep ‖ set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her [i] little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

5 Therefore [k] his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

6 All the [m] fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.

7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

8 The cedars in the [r] garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chesnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.

9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that *were* in the garden of God, [r] envied him.

10 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [s] Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and [z] his heart is lifted up in his height;

11 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the heathen; § he [y] shall surely deal with him: I have driven him out for his wickedness.

12 And strangers, [z] the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: [a] upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.

13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches:

14 To [c] the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees ‖ stand up in their height, all that drink water: for [f] they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit.

15 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon to [g] mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him.

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16 I made the nations to [a] shake at the sound of his fall, when I [b] cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and [c] all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall [d] be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.

17 They alsowent down into hell with him unto *them that be* slain with the sword; and*theythat were*hisarm,*that* dwelt under [e] his shadow in the midst of the heathen.

18 ¶ To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: [f] thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword. [g] This *is* Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXII.

AND it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, [a] take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him, [b] Thou art like a young lion of the nations, [c] and thou *art* as a [†] whale in the seas: and thou camest forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and [d] fouledst their rivers.

3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will therefore [e] spread out my net over thee with a company of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net.

4 Then will I leave thee upon the land, I will cast thee forth upon the open field, and [f] will cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee, and I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.

5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy height.

6 I will also water with thy blood the land ‖wherein thou swimmest, *even* to the mountains; and the rivers shall be full of thee.

7 And when I shall [*] put thee out, [g] I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud,and the moon shall not give her light.

8 All the [h] bright lights of heaven will I make I dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

9 I will also [§] vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

10 Yea, I will make many people amazed [i] at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and [j] they shall tremble at *every* moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall.

11 ¶ For [k] thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee.

12 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, [l] the terrible of the nations, all of them: and [m] they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be destroyed.

13 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; [n] neither shall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.

14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil, saith the Lord GOD.

15 When I shall make the land of Egypt

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[a] ch. 26. 15.
[*] *desolate from the fulness thereof.*
[b] Is. 14. 15.
[c] Ex. 7. 5. 14. 4,18. Ps.83.17,18.
[d] Is. 14. 9.
[e] 2 Sa. 1. 17. 2 Ch. 35. 25.
[f] ch. 32. 31.
[g] La. 4. 20.
[a] ch. 26. 20.
[b] ch. 29. 10. 32.19,21. 24,&c.
[h] 2 Ch. 28. 22. Ps. 52. 7.
[i] ch. 31. 2,18.
[m] ch. 28. 10.
[†] or, *the sword is laid.*
[n] ch. 27. 2.
[o] Is. 1. 31. 14. 9, 10.
[p] ch. 19. 3, 6. 38. 13.
[r] ch. 29. 3.
[‡] or, *dragon.*
[s] ch. 34. 18.
[t] Is. 14. 15.
[u] ch. 12. 13. 17. 20. Ho. 7. 12.
[§] or, *dismaying.*
[v] Je. 49. 34, &c.
[x] ch. 31. 13.
‖ or, *of thy swimming.*
[y] Ps. 139. 8. Re. 2. 22.
[z] 2 Sa. 1. 20. Ac. 7. 51.
[*] or, *exhinguish thee.*
[a] Is. 13. 10. Joel 2. 31. 3. 15. Am. 8. 9. Mat. 24. 29. Re. 6. 12,13
[b] *lights of the light in heaven.*
[c] *them dark.*
[b] ch. 27. 13. Ge. 10. 2.
[§] *provoke to anger,* or, *grief.*
[c] Is. 14 18,19.
[d] ch. 27. 35. 1 Ki. 9. 8.
‖ *with weapons of their war.*
[e] Is. 54. 17. 2 Co. 10. 4.
[f] ch. 26. 16.
[g] Jno. 8. 44.
[h] ch. 30. 4. Je. 46. 26.
[i] ch. 28. 7.
[k] ch. 25. 12, &c.
[l] ch. 29. 19.
[*] *given,* or, *put.*
[m] ch. 29. 11.
[n] ch. 34. 6, 15.
[o] ch. 28. 21.

desolate,and the country shall be[o] destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, [p] then shall they know that I *am* the LORD.

16 This *is* the [q] lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for her, *even* for Egypt, and for all her multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

17 ¶ It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and [r] cast them down, *even* her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit.

19 Whom [s] dost thou pass in beauty? [t] go down, and be thou laid with the uncircumcised.

20 They shall fall in the midst of *them that are* slain by the sword: [u] she is delivered to the sword: draw her and all her multitudes.

21 The [x] strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.

22 Asshur *is* there and all her company: his graves *are* about him: all of them slain, fallen by the sword:

23 Whose [y] graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused [§] terror in the land of the living.

24 There *is* [z] Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused their terror in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit.

25 They have [a] set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude: her graves *are* round about him: [b] all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though their terror was caused in the land of the living, yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit: he is put in the midst of *them that be* slain.

26 There is [c] Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graves *are* round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though they caused their terror in the land of the living.

27 And [d] they shall not lie with the mighty *that are* fallen of the uncircumcised, which are gone down to hell [‖] with [e] their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their heads, [f] but their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though *they were* the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.

28 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and shalt lie with *them that are* slain with the sword.

29 There *is* [g] Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are [h]laid by *them that were* slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit.

30 There [*] *be* the princes of the north, all of them, and all the [i] Zidonians, which are gone down with the slain; with their terror they are ashamed of their might; and they lie uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to the pit.

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31 Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be [a] comforted over all his multitude, *even* Pharaoh and all his army slain by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

32 For I have caused [b] my terror in the land of the living: and he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that are* slain with the sword, *even* Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXIII.

AGAIN the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, speak to [c] the children of thy people, and say unto them, [d] When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their [e] watchman:

3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, [f] he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

4 Then [†] whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, [g] his blood shall be upon his own head.

5 He [h] heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.

6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take *any* person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

7 ¶ So [i] thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.

8 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked *man*, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but [k] thou hast delivered thy soul.

10 Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins *be* upon us, and we [l] pine away in them, [m] how should we then live?

11 Say unto them, *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, [n] I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for [o] why will ye die, O house of Israel?

12 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, [p] he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his *righteousness* in the day that he sinneth.

13 When I shall say to the *righteous*, *that* he shall surely live; if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it.

14 Again, [q] when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do ‖ that which is lawful and right;

15 *If* the wicked [r] restore the pledge, [s] give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.

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[a] ch. 31. 16.
[b] Job 31. 23. 2 Co. 5. 11. He. 10. 31.
[c] ch. 3. 11.
[d] *A land when I bring a sword upon her.*
[e] ch. 14. 17.
[f] 2 Sa. 18. 24, 25. 2 Ki. 9. 17. Ho. 9. 8.
[†] *he that hearing heareth.*
[g] 2 Ki. 25. 4. [h] 1 Ki. 18. 46.
[i] ch. 18. 13. Ac. 18. 6. 20. 26.
[k] He. 2. 1...3.
[l] ch. 24. 27.
[m] ch. 34. 2.
[n] ch. 36. 4. [o] Is. 51. 2. Ac. 7. 5.
[p] Mi. 3. 11. Mat. 3. 9. Jno. 8. 39.
[q] ch 3.17,&c.
[r] Ge. 9. 4. Le. 3. 17. De. 12. 16.
[s] ch. 22. 6. 9.
[t] Ga. 6. 7, 8. Ep. 5. 3...6.
[u] 2 Co. 2. 15...17.
[v] ch. 39. 4.
[†] *to devour him.*
[w] Ju. 6. 2. 1 Sa. 13. 6.
[x] ch. 34. 23.
[y] ch. 36. 34, 35. Je. 44. 2, 6, 22.
[§] *desolation and desolation.*
[z] ch. 37. 11. Is. 49. 14.
[a] ch. 7. 24. 31. 21.
[b] ch. 18. 31, 32. 2 Sa. 14. 14. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[c] ch. 18. 31.
‖ or, *of thee.*
[d] Is. 29. 13.
[e] 2 Ch. 7. 14.
[f] ch. 14. 1. 20. 1, &c.
[*] *according to the coming of the people.*
† or, *my people sit before thee.*
[g] ch. 8. 1.
[†] Ps. 78. 36, 37.
[‡] *make loves,* or, *jests.*
[h] Mat. 13. 22.
[§] *a song of loves.*
[i] ch. 3. 18, 19.
‖ *judgment and justice*
[k] ch. 18. 7.
[l] 1 Sa. 3. 20.
[m] Ex. 22. 1, 4. Lu. 19. 8.

16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

17 ¶ Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal.

18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall even die thereby.

19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

20 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.

21 ¶ And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, [t] *that* one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, [u] The city is smitten.

22 Now [v] the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; [w] and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb.

23 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

24 Son of man, [x] they that inhabit those [*] wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying, [y] Abraham was one, and he inherited the land: [z] but we *are* many; the land is given us for inheritance.

25 Wherefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [a] Ye eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes toward your idols, and [b] shed blood: and shall ye possess the land?

26 Ye stand upon your sword, ye work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife: and shall ye possess the land?

27 Say thou thus unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely they that *are* in the wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that *is* in the open field [†] will I give to the beasts [†] to be devoured, and they that *be* in the forts and [c] in the caves shall die of the pestilence.

28 For [d] I will lay the land [§] most desolate, and the [e] pomp of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.

29 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed.

30 ¶ Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking ‖ against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and [f] speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.

31 And [†] they come unto thee [*] as the people cometh, and [†] they [‡] sit before thee *as* my people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: [†] for with their mouth they [‡] show much love, *but* [h] their heart goeth after their covetousness.

32 And, lo, thou *art* unto them as [§] a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not.

33 And [i] when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.

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CHAP. XXXIV.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the [a] shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; [b] Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

3 Ye [c] eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, [d] ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not the flock.

4 The [e] diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up *that which was* broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye [f] sought that which was lost; but with [g] force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

5 And they were [h] scattered, [o] because *there is* no shepherd: [i] and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek *after them*.

7 ¶ Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

8 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;

9 Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against the shepherds; and [k] I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, *even* I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

12 § As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep *that are* scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in [p] the cloudy and dark day.

13 And [b] I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.

14 I [r] will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there [f] shall they lie in a good fold, and *in* a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.

16 I [s] will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy [t] the fat and the strong; I will feed them [i] with judgment.

17 And *as for* you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; [l] Behold, I judge between [§] cattle and cattle, between the rams and the [||] goats.

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[a] ch. 33. 24.
[b] Je. 23. 1. Zec. 11. 17.
[c] Is. 56. 11. Zec. 11. 16.
[d] Mi. 3. 1, 3.
[e] Zec. 11. 16.
[f] Lu. 15. 4.
[g] 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[h] 1 Ki. 22. 17. Mat. 9. 36.
[o] or, *without a shepherd*, ver. 8.
[i] Is. 56. 9. Je. 12. 9.
[k] Je. 23. 4, 5. Jno. 10. 11. He. 13. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 25. 5. 4.
[l] Je. 30. 9. Ho. 3. 5.
[m] ch. 37. 27. Ex. 29. 45.
[n] Is. 11. 12, 13.
[p] Je. 23. 6.
[p] Ge. 12. 2. Is. 19. 24. Zec. 8. 13.
[r] Ps. 68. 9. Mal. 3. 10.
[s] Lu. 15. 4. Ps. 85. 12. Is. 4. 2.
[t] He. 13. 17.
[u] Le. 26. 13. Je. 2. 20.
[x] Je. 30. 10. [x] Is. 11. 1.
† or, *for renown.*
‡ *taken away*
§ *According to the wresting.*
[y] ch. 37. 27.
[z] Joel 2. 2.
[a] Ps. 100. 3.
[b] ch. 36. 24. 37. 21, 22. Is. 65. 9, 10.
Je. 23. 3.
[c] Ps. 23. 2.
[d] De. 2. 5.
[e] Je. 49. 7, 8. Am. 1. 11. Ob. 10, &c.
[f] Je. 33. 12.
|| *desolation and desolation*, ver. 7.
[g] Is. 40. 11. Mi. 4. 6. Mat. 18. 11. Mar. 2. 17.
• or, *hatred of old*, ch. 25. 15.
[h] Is. 10. 16. Am. 4. 1.
¶ *poured out the children.*
[i] Je. 10. 24.
‡ *hands.*
[k] ch. 21. 25, 29. Ps. 137. 7. Da. 9. 24.
[l] Zec. 10. 3. Mat. 25. 32, 33.
§ *small cattle of lambs and kids.*
|| *or at he goats.*

18 *Seemeth it* a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

19 And *as for* my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

20 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, *even* I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;

22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.

23 And I will set up one [k] shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, [l] *even* my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.

24 And [m] I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David [n] a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken *it*.

25 And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they [p] shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill [p] a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be [r] showers of blessing.

27 And [s] the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have [u] broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but [x] they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.

29 And I will raise up for them a [a] plant † of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.

30 Thus shall they know that [b] I the LORD their God *am* with them, and *that* they, *even* the house of Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.

31 And ye my [c] flock, the flock of my pasture, *are* men, *and* I *am* your God, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XXXV.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against mount [d] Seir, and [e] prophesy against it,

3 And say unto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O mount Seir, I *am* against thee, and I will stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee [‡] most desolate.

4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.

5 Because thou hast had a [•] perpetual hatred, and hast [¶] shed *the blood of* the children of Israel by the [‡] force of the sword in the time of their calamity, [k] in the time *that their* iniquity *had* an end:

6 Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood

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shall pursue thee: [a] sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.

7 Thus will I make mount Seir [b] most desolate, and cut off from it [c] him that passeth out and him that returneth.

8 And [d] I will fill his mountains with his slain *men:* in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.

9 [e] I *will* make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return: and [f] ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

10 Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will [g] possess it; [†] whereas [h] the LORD was there:

11 Therefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will even do [m] according to thine anger, and according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.

12 And [n] thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have heard all thy blasphemies which thou hast spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid desolate, they are given us [‡] to consume.

13 Thus [o] with your mouth ye have [§] boasted against me, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard *them*.

14 Thus saith the Lord GOD; [p] When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.

15 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so will I do unto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea, *even* all of it: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXVI.

ALSO, thou son of man, prophesy unto the [y] mountains of Israel, and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD:

2 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because [a] the enemy hath said against you, Aha, [b] even the ancient high places [c] are our's in possession:

3 Therefore prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [d] Because they have made *you* desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, [e] and ye are [†] taken up in the lips of talkers, and *are* an infamy of the people:

4 Therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which [f] became a prey and [g] derision to the residue of the heathen that *are* round about;

5 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [m] Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have appointed my land into their possession with the joy of all *their* heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey.

6 Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye have [p] borne the shame of the heathen:

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[a] Ps. 109. 17.
[b] ch. 20. 5.
[c] *desolation and desolation.*
[d] ch. 29. 11. Ju. 5. 6.
[e] ch. 31. 12. 32. 5.
[f] Phi. 4. 5. He 10. 37. Je. 49. 17, 18. Mal. 1. 3, 4.
[g] ch. 6. 7. 7. 4, 9. 36. 11.
[h] Is. 59. 12. 61. 4. Am. 9. 14.
[i] Ps. 83. 4, 12.
[†] or, *though.*
[k] ch. 48. 35. Ps. 48. 1, 3. 132. 13, 14.
[l] Je. 31. 27. 33. 12.
[m] Mat. 7. 2 Ja. 2. 13.
[n] Ps. 9. 16.
[o] Ob. 17, &c.
[p] Je. 15. 7.
[‡] *to devour.*
[r] Nu. 13. 32.
[s] 1 Sa. 2. 3. Re. 13. 6.
[§] *magnified.*
[||] or, *cause to fall.*
[t] Is. 65. 13, 14.
[u] ch. 31. 29.
[v] Le. 18. 25, 27, 28. Je. 2. 7.
[x] Le. 15. 19, &c.
[y] ch. 6. 2, 3.
[z] ch. 16. 36, 38.
[a] ch. 25. 3. 26. 2.
[b] De. 32. 13.
[c] ch. 35. 10.
[d] ch. 22. 15.
[e] ch. 7. 3. 39. 24. Ro. 2. 6.
[•] *Because for because.*
[f] Is. 52. 5. Ro. 2. 24.
[g] De. 28. 37. 1 Ki. 9. 7. La. 2. 15. Da. 9. 16.
[†] or, *made to come upon the lip of the tongue.*
[h] ch. 20. 9, 14.
[‡] or, *bottoms,* or, *dales.*
[i] ch. 34. 26.
[k] Ps. 79. 4.
[l] Ps. 106. 6.
[m] ch. 38. 19. De. 4. 24.
[n] ch. 20. 41. 28. 22.
[§] or, *your.*
[o] ch. 34. 13. 37. 21.
[p] Ps. 123. 3, 4.
[r] Is. 52. 15. He. 10. 22.
[s] Je. 33. 8.

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have [q] lifted up mine hand, Surely the heathen that *are* about you, they shall bear their shame.

8 ¶ But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; *for* they are [r] at hand to come.

9 For, behold, I *am* for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown:

10 And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, *even* all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and [s] the wastes shall be builded:

11 And [t] I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better *unto you* than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

12 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, *even* my people Israel; [u] and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth [v] bereave them *of men*.

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they say unto you, [r] Thou *land* devourest up men, and hast bereaved thy nations;

14 Therefore thou shalt devour men no more, neither [‡] bereave thy nations any more, saith the Lord GOD.

15 Neither [w] will I cause *men* to hear in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither shalt thou bear the reproach of the people any more, neither shalt thou cause thy nations to fall any more, saith the Lord GOD.

16 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

17 Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, [x] they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as [y] the uncleanness of a removed woman.

18 Wherefore I poured my fury upon them [z] for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols *wherewith* they had polluted it:

19 And I [a] scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: [c] according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.

20 And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they [f] profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These *are* the people of the LORD, and are gone forth out of his land.

21 ¶ But I had pity [†] for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went.

22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not *this* for your sakes, O house of Israel, [i] but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went.

23 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be [n] sanctified in you before [§] their eyes.

24 For [o] I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

25 ¶ Then [r] will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: [s] from

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all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

26 A [a] new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

27 And I will put my [b] spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do *them*.

28 And [c] ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; [d] and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

29 I will also [e] save you from all your uncleannesses: and [f] I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

30 And [g] I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.

31 Then [h] shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that *were* not good, and [i] shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.

32 Not [k] for your sakes do I *this*, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.

33 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause *you* to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.

34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

35 And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of [l] Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities *are become* fenced, *and* are inhabited.

36 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined *places*, *and* plant that that was desolate: [m] I the LORD have spoken *it*, and I will do *it*.

37 Thus saith the Lord GOD; [n] I will yet *for* this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do *it* for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.

38 As the [†] holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXVII.

THE [b] hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out [c] in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which *was* full of bones,

2 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, *there were* very many in the open [‡] valley; and, lo, *they were* very dry.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, [/] thou knowest.

4 Again he said unto me, [h] Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

5 Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will [i] cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; [k] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

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[a] ch. 11. 19. Je. 32. 39. 2 Co. 3. 18. 5. 17. Ep. 2. 10.
[b] ch. 11. 19. 37. 14. Lu. 11. 13. Ro. 8. 9, &c. 2 Th. 2. 13.
[c] or, *breath*.
[c] ch. 28. 25.
[d] Ca. 4. 16.
[e] Jno. 3. 8.
[f] Je. 30. 22.
[f] Mat. 1. 21. Ro. 11. 26.
[g] Ro. 11. 11.
[h] Ps. 105. 16.
[i] ch. 34. 27.
[k] Ro. 11. 28. 2 Co. 5. 14. Ep. 2. 1.
[l] Ps. 141. 7.
[m] Is. 49. 14.
[m] ch. 16. 61, 63.
[n] ch. 6. 9. 20. 43. Le. 26. 39.
[o] Is. 26. 19. Ho. 13. 14. 1 Th. 4. 16.
[p] De. 9. 5.
[r] ch. 36. 37. 1 Co. 15. 45. Tit. 3. 5, 6.
[s] Nu. 17. 2.
[t] ch. 28. 13. Is. 51. 3. Joel 2. 3.
[u] 2 Ch. 11. 12, 13, 16. 15. 9. 30. 11, 18.
[v] ver. 21, 24.
[x] ch. 17. 24. 22. 14. 37. 14.
[y] ch. 14. 3. 20. 3, 31.
[z] ch. 12. 9. 21. 19.
[a] Zec. 10. 6.
† *flock of holy things*
[b] ch. 1. 3.
[c] ch. 3. 14. 8. 3. 11. 24. Lu. 4. 1. Ac. 8. 39.
[d] ch. 12. 3.
‡ or, *champaign*.
[e] Is. 11. 13. Je. 3. 18. 50. 4. Ho. 1. 11. Ep. 2. 14, 22.
[f] De. 32. 39. 1 Sa. 2. 6. Jno. 5. 21. Ro. 4. 17. 2 Co. 1. 9. Ha. 11. 19.
[g] ch. 34. 23, 24. Ep. 2. 14.
[h] Nu. 20. 8. Mat. 21. 21.
[i] Ps. 104. 30. Jno. 20. 22. Ro. 8. 2. Ep. 2. 5.
[k] Joel 2. 27. 3. 17.

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

8 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but *there was* no breath in them.

9 Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the [a] wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [d] Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, [e] and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

11 ¶ Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are [h] the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, [i] Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.

12 Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold, O my people, [k] I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

13 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

14 And [l] shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken *it*, and performed *it*, saith the LORD.

15 ¶ The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

16 Moreover, thou son of man, [s] take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for [u] the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and *for* all the house of Israel his companions:

17 And [y] join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

18 ¶ And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, [a] Wilt thou not shew us what thou *meanest* by these?

19 Say [c] unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which *is* in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, *even* with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

20 [d] And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand [d] before their eyes.

21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

22 And [f] I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and [g] one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:

23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God.

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24 And [a] David my servant *shall be* king over them; and [b] they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.

25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, *even* they, and their children, and their children's children [c] for ever: and [d] my servant David *shall be* their prince for ever.

26 Moreover I will make a [e] covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my [f] sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

27 My [g] tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be [h]their God, and they shall be my people.

28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do [i] sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son [k] of man, set thy face against [l] Gog, the land of Magog, [m] the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

4 And [n] I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts *of armour, even* a great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

6 [o] Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: *and* many people with thee.

7 Be [p] thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

8 ¶ After [q] many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land *that is* brought back from the sword, *and is* gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall [r] dwell safely all of them.

9 Thou shalt ascend and come [s] like a storm, thou shalt be [t] like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, *that* at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt [u] think an evil thought:

11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will [v] go to them that are at rest, that dwell [w] safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,

12 To [x]take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places *that are now* inhabited, [y] and upon the people *that are* gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the [z] midst of the land.

13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants

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[a] Is. 40. 11. Je. 23. 5. Ho. 3. 5. Lu. 1. 32.
[b] ch. 19. 3, 5. Jno. 10. 16.
[c] Is. 4. 1.
[d] Is. 55. 3, 4.
[e] Jno. 12. 34.
[f] ch. 39. 7.
[g] Ps. 89. 3. Is. 55. 3. Je. 32. 40.
[h] 2 Co. 6. 16.
[i] Le. 20. 11, 12. Jno. 1. 14.
[k] ch. 39. 21. Ex. 14. 4.
[l] ch. 11. 20.
[m] ch. 20. 12.
[n] by, *hands of.*
[o] ch. 39. 1.
[p] Re. 20. 8.
[q] or, *prince of the chief.*
[r] Ps. 99. 46.
[s] Hag. 2. 8, 7. Re. 16. 18.
[t] Ho. 4. 3.
[u] 2 Ki. 19. 28.
[v] Je. 4. 21. Na. 1. 5, 6.
[w] or, *towers,* or, *stairs.*
[x] Ps. 105. 16.
[y] or, *Phut.*
[z] ch. 27. 10.
[a] 2 Ch. 20. 23.
[b] Ge. 10. 2.
[c] Is. 66. 18.
[d] Je. 25. 31.
[e] ch. 5. 17.
[f] Ps. 11. 6. Is. 29. 6. 30. 30.
[g] Is. 8. 9, 10. Je 46.3,4,14. 51. 12.
[h] Re. 16. 21.
[i] Ge. 49. 1. De. 4. 30.
[k] Je. 23. 6.
[l] Is. 26. 2.
[m] Je. 4. 13.
[n] or, *strike thee with six plagues;* or, *draw thee back with an hook of six teeth.*
[o] ch. 38. 4.
[p] *sides of the north.*
[q] or, *conceive a mischievous purpose*
[r] Je. 19. 31.
[s] or, *confidently.*
[t] *spoil the spoil, and to prey the prey.*
[u] ch. 29. 19.
[v] ch. 33 27.
[w] *wing.*
[x] ch. 36. 34, 35.
[y] *devour.*
[z] *face of the field.*
[a] *navel.*
[b] Ju 9. 37.
[c] Am. 1. 4.
[d] or, *confidently.*

of Tarshish, with all [b] the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

14 ¶ Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; [c] In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know *it?*

15 And [d] thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:

16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, [e] that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.

17 Thus saith the Lord GOD; *Art* thou he of whom I have spoken in old time [f] by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days *many* years that I would bring thee against them?

18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, *that* my fury shall come up in my face.

19 For in my jealousy [g] *and* in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, [h] Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

20 So that [i] the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that *are* upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, [k] and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the [l] steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

21 And I will [m] call for a sword against him throughout [n] all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: [o] every man's sword shall be against his brother.

22 And I will [p] plead against him with [q] pestilence and with blood; and [r] I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that *are* with him, an overflowing rain, and [s] great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAP. XXXIX.

THEREFORE, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

2 And I will turn thee back, and [t] leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the [u] north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

4 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that *is* with thee: [v] I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every [w] sort, and *to* the beasts of the field to [x]be devoured.

5 Thou shalt fall upon the [y] open field: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.

6 And [z] I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell [a] carelessly

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in [a] the isles: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not *let them* [b] pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.

8 ¶ Behold, [c] it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this *is* the day whereof I have spoken.

9 And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the [e] handstaves, and the spears, and they shall [†] burn them with fire seven years:

10 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down *any* out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: [f] and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord GOD.

11 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the [§] *noses* of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call *it* The valley of [‖] Hamon-gog.

12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, [g] that they may cleanse the land.

13 Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them;* and it shall be to them a renown the day that [P] I shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD.

14 And they shall sever out [*] men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.

15 And the passengers *that* pass through the land, when *any* seeth a man's bone, then shall he [‡] set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog.

16 And also the name of the city *shall be* [§] Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.

17 ¶ And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; [‖] Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, [*] Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my [*] sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, *even* a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

18 Ye [*] shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of [‡] goats, of bullocks, all of them *of* fatlings of Bashan.

19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

20 Thus [§] ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, [k] with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.

21 And [i] I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and [k] my hand that I have laid upon them.

22 So [l] the house of Israel shall know that I *am* the LORD their God from that day and forward.

23 ¶ And [m] the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for

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[a] Ps. 72. 10.
[b] De. 31. 17. Is. 59. 2.
[c] Le. 18. 21.
[d] Re. 16. 17. 21. 6.
[e] ch. 31. 13. Jo. 30. 3, 16. Ro. 11. 26, 31.
[f] ch. 20. 40. Ho. 1. 11.
[g] De. 9. 16.
[*] or, *javelins.*
[†] or, *make a fire of them*
[h] Le. 26. 5, 6.
[i] ch. 20. 25, 26.
[k] ch. 36. 23, 24. 38. 16.
[l] Is. 14. 2.
[‡] *by my causing of them, &c.*
[§] or, mouths.
[m] Is. 54. 8.
[n] Joel 2. 28. Zec. 12. 10. Ac. 2. 17.
[‖] Jno. 3. 34.
[‖] i. e. *the multitude of Gog.*
[o] De. 21. 23.
[P] ch. 28. 22.
[q] ch. 33. 21.
[r] ch. 1. 3. Ho. 1. 10.
[*] *men of continuance.*
[t] ch. 8. 3.
[u] Re. 21. 10.
[†] or, *upon which.*
[v] ch. 1. 7. Da. 10. 6.
[w] ch. 47. 3.
[‡] *build.*
[y] Re. 11. 1. 21. 15.
[z] ch. 44. 5.
[§] i. e. *the multitude.*
[a] Re. 19. 17.
[‖] *to the fowl of every wing.*
[b] ch. 43. 10. 1 Co. 11. 23.
[c] Is. 18. 6. 34. 6. Je. 12. 9. Zep. 1. 7.
[d] ch. 42. 20.
[*] or, *slaughter.*
[e] Re. 19. 18.
[†] *whose face was the way toward.*
[‡] *great goats*
[f] De. 32. 14. Ps. 22. 12.
[g] Ps. 76. 6.
[h] Hag. 2. 22.
[i] ch. 36. 16, 22.
[k] Ex. 7. 4.
[l] Jno. 17. 3.
[m] ch. 36. 18.. 20, 23.

their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore [b] hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.

24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.

25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [c] Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the [f] whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name;

26 After [g] that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they [h] dwelt safely in their land, and none made *them* afraid.

27 When [i] I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and [k] am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;

28 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD their God, [l] which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.

29 Neither [m] will I hide my face any more from them: for I have [n] poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XL.

IN the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth *day* of the month, in the fourteenth year after that [r] the city was smitten, in the self same day [s] the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.

2 In [t] the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, [u] and set me upon a very high mountain, [†] by which *was* as the frame of a city on the south.

3 And he brought me thither, and, behold, *there was* a man, whose appearance *was* [v] like the appearance of brass, [w] with a line of flax in his hand, [y] and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.

4 And the man said unto me, [z] Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew *them* unto thee *art* thou brought hither: [a] declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.

5 And behold [d] a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed of six cubits *long* by the cubit and an hand breadth: so he measured the breadth of the building, one reed; and the height, one reed.

6 ¶ Then came he unto the gate [†] which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, *which was* one reed broad; and the other threshold *of the gate, which was* one reed broad.

7 And *every* little chamber *was* one reed long, and one reed broad; and between the little chambers *were* five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within *was* one reed.

8 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.

9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts thereof, two cubits; and the porch of the gate *was* inward.

10 And the little chambers of the gate eastward *were* three on this side, and three

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on that side; they three *were* of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side.

11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten cubits; *and* the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.

12 The [a]space also before the little chambers *was* one cubit *on this side*, and the space *was* one cubit on that side: and the little chambers *were* six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.

13 He measured then the gate from the roof of *one* little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth *was* five and twenty cubits, door against door.

14 He made also posts of threescore cubits, even unto the post of [b] the court round about the gate.

15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner gate *were* fifty cubits.

16 And [c] *there were* narrow windows to the little chambers, and to their posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the [§] arches: and windows *were* round about [||]inward: and upon *each* post *were* [d] palm trees.

17 Then brought he me into [e] the outward court, and, lo, *there were* chambers, and a pavement made for the court round about: [§] thirty chambers *were* upon the pavement.

18 And the pavement by the side of the gates over against the length of the gates *was* the lower pavement.

19 Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront of the inner court [e] without, an hundred cubits eastward and northward.

20 ¶ And the gate of the outward court [†] that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

21 And the little chambers thereof *were* three on this side and three on that side; and the posts thereof and the [‡] arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

22 And their windows, and their arches, and their palm trees, *were* after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the arches thereof *were* before them.

23 And the gate of the inner court *was* over against the gate toward the north, and toward the east; and he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.

24 ¶ After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and he measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these measures.

25 And *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

26 And *there were* seven steps to go up to it, and the arches thereof *were* before them: and it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts thereof.

27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate to gate toward the south an hundred cubits.

28 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south gate according to these measures;

29 And the little chambers thereof, and

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[a] *limit*, or, *bound.*

[a] ver. 21, 25, 33, 36.

† *breadth.*

[b] Ex. 27. 9. Le. 6. 16. Ps. 100. 4.

[c] 1 Ki. 6. 4.

‡ *closed.*

§ or, *galleries*, or, *porches.* Jno. 5. 2.

|| or, *within.*

[d] Ca. 7. 7, 8. Ps. 92. 12. Re. 7. 9.

[e] Re. 11. 2.

[f] 1 Ki. 6. 5. 2 Ch. 31. 11.

[g] ch. 45. 5.

[e] or, *from without.*

† *whose face was.*

[h] Le. 1. 9. 8. 21. He. 10. 22.

[i] Le. 4. 2, 3.

[k] Le. 5. 6. 6. 6. 7. 1.

‡ or, *galleries*, or, *porches.*

§ or, *at the step.*

|| or, *andirons*, or, *the two hearthstones.*

[l] 1 Ch. 6. 31. Ep. 5. 19. Col. 3. 16.

[m] Le. 8. 35. Nu. 3. 27, 28, 32, 38. 18. 5. 1 Ch. 9. 23. 2 Ch. 13. 11. Ps. 134. 1. 1 Ti. 6. 20.

[e] or, *ward*, or, *ordinance.* ver. 46.

[n] ch. 44. 15. Nu. 18. 5.

[e] ch. 43. 19. 44. 15, 16. 1 Ki. 2. 35.

[p] Le. 10. 3. Nu. 16. 5, 40. Ep. 2. 13.

the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, according to these measures: and *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

30 And the arches round about *were* [a] five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits † broad.

31 And the arches thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.

32 ¶ And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate according to these measures.

33 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, *were* according to these measures: and *there were* windows therein and in the arches thereof round about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

34 And the arches thereof *were* toward the outward court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.

35 ¶ And he brought me to the north gate, and measured *it* according to these measures;

36 The little chambers thereof, the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, and the windows to it round about: the length *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

37 And the posts thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.

38 And the chambers and the entries thereof *were* by the posts of the gates, where [h] they washed the burnt offering.

39 ¶ And in the porch of the gate *were* two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereon the burnt offering and [i] the sin offering and [k] the trespass offering.

40 And at the side without, [§] as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, *were* two tables; and on the other side, which *was* at the porch of the gate, *were* two tables.

41 Four tables *were* on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables, whereupon they slew *their sacrifices*.

42 And the four tables *were* of hewn stone for the burnt offering, of a cubit and an half long, and a cubit and an half broad, and one cubit high: whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.

43 And within *were* [||] hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables *was* the flesh of the offering.

44 ¶ And without the inner gate *were* the chambers of [l] the singers in the inner court, which *was* at the side of the north gate; and their prospect *was* toward the south: one at the side of the east gate *having* the prospect toward the north.

45 And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect *is* toward the south, *is* for the priests, [m] the keepers of the [e] charge of the house.

46 And the chamber whose prospect *is* toward the north *is* for the priests, [n] the keepers of the charge of the altar: these *are* the sons of [e] Zadok among the sons of Levi, which [p] come near to the LORD to minister unto him.

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47 So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred cubits broad, foursquare; and the altar *that was* before the house.

48 ¶ And he brought me to the porch of the house, and measured *each* post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate *was* three cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side.

49 The [a] length of the porch *was* twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits; and *he brought me* by the steps whereby they went up to it: and *there were* [b] pillars by the posts, one on this side, and another on that side.

CHAP. XLI.

AFTERWARD he brought me to [d] the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, *which was* the breadth of the tabernacle.

2 And the breadth of the ‖ door *was* ten cubits; and the sides of the door *were* five cubits on the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and he measured the length thereof, forty cubits: and the breadth, twenty cubits.

3 Then went he inward, and measured the post of the door, two cubits; and the door, six cubits; and the breadth of the door, seven cubits.

4 So [d] he measured the length thereof, twenty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and he said unto me, [h] This *is* the most holy *place*.

5 After he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of *every* side chamber, four cubits, round about the house on every side.

6 And [i] the side chambers *were* three, † one over another, and ‡ thirty in order; and they entered into the wall which *was* of the house for the side chambers round about, that they might § have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house.

7 And ‡ *there* [m] *was* an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the side chambers: for the winding about of the house went still upward round about of the house: therefore the breadth of the house *was still* upward, and so increased *from* the lowest *chamber* to the highest by the midst.

8 I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations of the side chambers *were* [p] a full reed of six great cubits.

9 The thickness of the wall, which *was* for the side chamber without, *was* five cubits: and *that* which *was* left *was* the place of the side chambers that *were* within.

10 And between the chambers *was* the wideness of twenty cubits round about the house on every side.

11 And the doors of the side chambers *were* toward *the place that was* left, one door toward the north, and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left *was* five cubits round about.

12 Now the building that *was* before the separate place at the end toward the west *was* seventy cubits broad; and the wall of the building *was* five cubits thick round about, and the length thereof ninety cubits.

13 So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long; and the separate place,

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* or, *several walks*, or, *walks with pillars*.

[a] 1 Ki. 6. 3.

[b] ch. 40. 16.

[c] 1 Ki. 7. 21. Je. 52. 17.

† *cieling of wood*.

‡ or, *and the ground unto the windows*.

[d] Zec. 6. 12, 13. Ep. 2. 20. 22 1 Pe. 2. 5. Re. 3. 12.

§ *measures*.

[e] 1 Ki. 6. 29.

‖ or, *entrance*. Jno. 10. 7, 9.

[f] ch. 1. 10.

[g] 1 Ki. 6. 20. 2 Ch. 3. 8.

* *post*.

[h] He. 9. 3..8.

[i] Ex. 30. 1.

[j] 1 Ki. 6. 5, 6.

† *side chamber over side chamber*.

‡ or, *three and thirty times*, or, *foot*.

[k] ch. 44. 16. Mal. 1. 7, 12. 1 Co. 10. 21.

[l] Ex. 30. 8.

[m] 1 Ki. 6. 31.. 35.

§ *be holden*.

‖ it was *made broader, and went round*.

[n] 1 Ki. 6. 8. Mat. 13. 33. He. 6. 1.

[o] ch. 40. 16.

[p] ch. 40. 5.

[r] ch. 41. 12, 15.

[s] ch. 41. 16.

* or, *did eat of these*.

† or, and *the building* consisted *of the lower and the middlemost*.

and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred cubits long;

14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits.

15 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which *was* behind it, and the * galleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits, with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;

16 The door posts, and [b] the narrow windows, and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the door, † cieled with wood round about, ‖ and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows *were* covered;

17 To that above the door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the wall round about within and without, by § measure.

18 And *it was* made [e] with cherubims and palm trees, so that a palm tree *was* between a cherub and a cherub; and *every* cherub had two faces;

19 So [f] that the face of a man *was* toward the palm tree on the one side, and the face of a young lion toward the palm tree on the other side: *it was* made through all the house round about.

20 From the ground unto above the door *were* cherubims and palm trees made, and *on* the wall of the temple.

21 The * posts of the temple *were* squared, *and* the face of the sanctuary; the appearance *of the one* as the appear ance *of the other*.

22 The [i] altar of wood *was* three cubits high, and the length thereof two cubits; and the corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, *were of* wood: and he said unto me, This *is* [k] the table that *is* [l] before the LORD.

23 And the [m] temple and the sanctuary had two doors.

24 And the doors had two leaves *apiece*, two turning leaves; two *leaves* for the one door, and two leaves for the other *door*.

25 And *there were* made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubims and palm trees, like as *were* made upon the walls; and *there were* thick planks upon the face of the porch without.

26 And *there were* [p] narrow windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side, on the sides of the porch and *upon* the side chambers of the house, and thick planks.

CHAP. XLII.

THEN he brought me forth into the utter court, the way toward the north: and he brought me into [r] the chamber that *was* over against the separate place, and which *was* before the building toward the north.

2 Before the length of an hundred cubits *was* the north door, and the breadth *was* fifty cubits.

3 Over against the twenty *cubits* which *were* for the inner court, and over against the pavement which *was* for the utter court, *was* [s] gallery against gallery in three *stories*.

4 And before the chambers *was* a walk of ten cubits breadth inward, a way of one cubit; and their doors toward the north.

5 Now the upper chambers *were* shorter: for the galleries * were higher than these, † than the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.

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6 For they *were* in three *stories*, but had not pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore *the building* was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.

7 And the wall that *was* without over against the chambers, toward the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof *was* fifty cubits.

8 For the length of the chambers that *were* in the utter court *was* fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple *were* an hundred cubits.

9 And † from under these chambers *was* ‖ the entry on the east side, § as one goeth into them from the utter court.

10 The chambers *were* in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building.

11 And ᵐ the way before them *was* like the appearance of the chambers which *were* toward the north, as long as they, *and* as broad as they: and all their goings out *were* both according to their fashions, and according to their doors.

12 And according to the doors of the chambers that *were* toward the south *was* a door in the head of the way, *even* the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them.

13 ¶ Then said he unto me, The north chambers *and* the south chambers, which *are* before the separate place, they *be* holy chambers, where the priests that approach unto the LORD ᵍ shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and ʳ the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place *is* holy.

14 When ˢ the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy *place* into the utter court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they *are* holy; ᵗ and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to *those things* which *are* for the people.

15 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward the gate whose prospect *is* toward the east, and measured it round about.

16 He measured the east † side with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

17 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.

19 ¶ He turned about to the west side, *and* measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

20 He measured it by the four sides: ᵛ it had a wall round about, five hundred *reeds* long, and five hundred broad, to make ʷ a separation between the sanctuary and the profane place.

CHAP. XLIII.

AFTERWARD he brought me to the gate, *even* the gate ˣ that looketh toward the east:

2 And, ʸ behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and ᶻ his voice *was* like a noise of many waters: and ᵃ the earth shined with his glory.

3 And *it was* § according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, *even* according to the vision that I saw when I

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ᵒ or, *to prophesy that the city should be destroyed.* ch. 9. 1, 5.
ᵐ Je. 1. 10.
ˡ ch. 3. 23.
ᵏ ch. 10. 19.
ʲ ch. 8. 3.
ⁱ 1 Ki. 8. 10, 11.
ʰ ch. 40. 3.
† or, *from the place.*
§ Ps. 99. 1.
ᵍ 1 Ch. 28. 2. Ps. 99. 5.
‡ or, *he that brought me*
§ or, *as he came.*
ᶠ Ex. 29. 45. Jno. 1. 14. 2 Co. 6. 16.
ᵉ ch. 39. 7.
ᵈ Le. 26. 30. Je. 16. 18.
ᶜ ver. 4.
ᵇ 2 Ki. 16. 14. 21. 4, 5, 7.
‖ or, *for* there was but *a wall between me and them.*
ᵒ ver. 7.
ᵖ Ps. 68. 16. 132. 14. Joel 3. 17.
ᵉ ch. 40. 4.
ᵈ Le. 6. 16, 26. 24. 9.
ᵒ or, *sum*, or, *number.*
ᶜ Le. 2. 3, 10. 6. 14, 17. 23, 29. 7. 1. 10. 13, 14. Nu. 18. 9, 10.
ᵇ ch. 44. 19.
ᵃ Is. 61. 10. Zec. 3. 4, 5.
ᶻ ch. 41. 8.
† *wind.*
‡ *bosom.*
§ *lip.*
‖ *Harel*, i. e. *the mountain of God*
ᵒ *Ariel*, i. e. *the lion of God.* Is. 29. 1.
ᵛ ch. 40. 5.
ᵘ Ps. 118. 27.
ᵗ Le. 16. 26.
ˢ ch. 44. 1. 46. 1.
ʳ Ex. 20. 26.
ᵍ ch. 11. 23.
ᵖ Re. 1. 15. 14. 2. 19. 1, 6.
ᵒ Re. 18. 1.
ⁿ ch. 1. 4, 28.
ᵐ Le. 1. 5.
ˡ ch. 44. 15.

came ᵒ to ᵖdestroy the city: and the visions *were* like the vision that I saw ᵍ by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.

4 And ʳ the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect *is* toward the east.

5 So ˢ the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, ᵗ the glory of the LORD filled the house.

6 And I heard *him* speaking unto me out of the house; and ᵘ the man stood by me.

7 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, ᵛ the place of my throne, and ʷ the place of the soles of my feet, ˣ where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever, and my holy name, shall the house of Israel ʸ no more defile, *neither* they, nor their kings, by their whoredom, nor by ᶻ the carcases of their kings in their high places.

8 In ᵃ their setting of their threshold by my thresholds, and their post by my posts, ᵇ and the wall between me and them, they have even defiled my holy name by their abominations that they have committed: wherefore I have consumed them in mine anger.

9 Now let them put away their whoredom, and ᶜ the carcases of their kings, far from me, ᵈ and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.

10 ¶ Thou son of man, ᵉ shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the ᵒ pattern.

11 And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the form of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof: and write *it* in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.

12 This *is* the law of the house; Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about *shall be* most holy. Behold, this *is* the law of the house.

13 ¶ And these *are* the measures of the altar after the cubits: ᵇ The cubit *is* a cubit and an hand breadth; even the ‡ bottom *shall be* a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border thereof by the § edge thereof round about *shall be a* span: and this *shall be* the higher place of the altar.

14 And from the bottom *upon* the ground *even* to the lower ‖ *settle shall be* two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser *settle even* to the greater *settle shall be* four cubits, and the breadth *one* cubit.

15 So ‖ the altar *shall be* four cubits; and from ᵒ the altar and upward *shall be* ᵖ four horns.

16 And the altar *shall be* twelve *cubits* long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.

17 And the *settle shall be* fourteen *cubits* long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it *shall be* half a cubit; and the bottom thereof *shall be a* cubit about; and ᵍ his stairs shall look toward the east.

18 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; These *are* the ordinances of the altar in the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt offerings thereon, and to ʰ sprinkle blood thereon.

19 And thou shalt give to ⁱ the priests

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the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto me, to minister unto me, saith the Lord GOD, [b] a young bullock for a sin offering.

20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put *it* on the four horns of it, and on the four corners of the settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

21 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the sin offering, and he [d] shall burn it in the appointed place of the house, [f] without the sanctuary.

22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse *it* with the bullock.

23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing *it*, thou shalt offer a young bullock without blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

24 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, [m] and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD.

25 Seven [n] days shalt thou prepare every day a goat *for* a sin offering: they shall also prepare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.

26 Seven days shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall † consecrate themselves.

27 And [r] when these days are expired, it shall be, *that* upon the eighth day, and *so* forward, the priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your ‡ peace offerings; and I will [t] accept you, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XLIV.

THEN he brought me back the way of the gate of the outward sanctuary [v] which looketh toward the east; and it *was* shut.

2 Then said the LORD unto me; This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut.

3 *It is* for the prince; the prince, he shall sit in it to [x] eat bread before the LORD; [y] he shall enter by the way of the porch *of that* gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.

4 ¶ Then brought he me the way of the north gate before the house: and I looked, and, [z] behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD: and I fell upon my face.

5 And the LORD said unto me, Son of man, § mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the LORD, and all the laws thereof; and mark well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary.

6 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, *even* to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O ye house of Israel, [a] let it suffice you of all your abominations,

7 In [b] that ye have brought *into my sanctuary* ‡ strangers, [c] uncircumcised [d] in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it, *even* my house, when ye offer [e] my bread, [f] the fat and the blood, and they have broken my covenant because of all your abominations.

8 And ye have not [g] kept the charge of mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my § charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.

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[a] Mar. 16. 16. Jno. 3. 3. 5.
[b] Ex. 29. 10, 12 Le. 8. 14, 15.
[c] 2 Ki. 23. 8, &c.
[d] Ex. 29. 14.
[e] 1 Ch. 26. 1.
[f] He. 13. 11.
[g] 2 Ch. 29. 34.
[h] Nu. 16. 9.
[i] Is. 9. 16.
[k] *were for a stumbling-block of iniquity unto, &c.* ch. 14. 3, 4.
[l] Ps. 106. 26.
[m] Nu. 18. 3.
[n] Le. 2. 13.
[o] Ex. 29. 35, 36 Le. 8. 33.
[p] 1 Ch. 23. 28, 32.
† *fill their hands.* Ex. 29. 24.
[r] 1 Sa. 2. 35.
[s] Le. 9. 1.
‡ *or, thank offerings.*
[t] Job 42. 8. Ro. 12. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[v] ch. 43. 1.
[x] Ex. 39. 27, 28
[y] Ge. 31. 54. 1 Co. 10. 18.
[z] ch. 46. 2. 8.
§ *in, or, with sweat, or, in sweating places.*
[a] ch. 3. 23.
[b] Ex. 29. 37. Mat. 23. 17, 19.
‖ *set thine heart.*
[c] Le. 21. 7, 13
[d] *thrust forth.*
[e] 1 Pe. 4. 3.
† *from a priest.*
[f] Ac. 21. 28.
[g] Mal. 2. 7.
‡ *children of a stranger.*
[h] Le. 22. 25.
[i] Le. 26. 41. De. 10. 16. Ac. 7. 51.
[k] Le. 21. 6, 8, 17, 21.
[l] Le. 3. 16.
[m] De. 17. 8, &c 2 Ch. 19. 8, 10
[n] Le. 22. 2, &c.
[o] ch. 22. 26.
§ *or, ward, or, ordinance.* ch. 40. 45.
[p] Le. 21. 1, &c.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, [a] uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that *is* among the children of Israel.

10 And [b] the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity.

11 Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, [c] *having* charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: [d] they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and [e] they shall stand before them to minister unto them.

12 Because they ministered unto them before their idols, [f] and [g] caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity; therefore have I [h] lifted up mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD, and they shall bear their iniquity.

13 And [i] they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy *place:* but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed.

14 But I will make them [k] keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.

15 ¶ But the priests the Levites, [l] the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD:

16 They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

17 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, [m] they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.

18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird *themselves* § with any thing that causeth sweat.

19 And when they go forth into the utter court, *even* into the utter court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments; and they shall [o] not sanctify the people with their garments.

20 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.

22 Neither shall they take for their wives a [p] widow, nor her that is [q] put away: but they shall take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow † that had a priest before.

23 And [r] they shall teach my people *the difference* between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

24 And [s] in controversy they shall stand in judgment; *and* they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they [t] shall hallow my sabbaths.

25 And they shall come at no [u] dead per-

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son to defile themselves: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband, they may defile themselves.

26 And [b] after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.

27 And in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary, unto the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, [d] he shall offer his sin offering, saith the Lord GOD.

28 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I [e] *am* their inheritance: and ye shall give them no possession in Israel: I *am* their possession.

29 They [f] shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; and [g] every [o] dedicated thing in Israel shall be their's.

30 And the [†] first [h] of all the firstfruits of all *things*, and every oblation of all, of every *sort* of your oblations, shall be the priest's: ye [i] shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough, [k] that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.

31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is [m] dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.

CHAP. XLV.

MOREOVER, when ye [†] shall [n] divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall [o] offer an oblation unto the LORD, I an holy portion of the land: the length *shall be* the length of five and twenty thousand *reeds*, and the breadth *shall be* ten thousand. This *shall be* holy in all the borders thereof round about.

2 Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred *in length*, with five hundred *in breadth*, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the [‡]suburbs thereof.

3 And of this measure shall thou measure the length of five and twenty thousand, and the breadth of ten thousand: [p] and in it shall be the sanctuary *and* the most holy *place*.

4 The holy *portion* of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, and an holy place for the sanctuary.

5 And [q] the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, have for themselves, for a possession for [r] twenty chambers.

6 ¶ And [s] ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the holy *portion*: it shall be for the whole house of Israel.

7 ¶ And [t] *a portion shall be* for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the oblation of the holy *portion*, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy *portion*, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: and the length *shall be* over against one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border.

8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and [f] my princes shall no more oppress my people; and *the rest of* the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; [‖] Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: [k] remove violence and spoil, and execute judgment and justice, [k] take away your [•] exactions from my people, saith the Lord GOD.

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[a] Le. 19. 35, 36. Pr. 11. 1.
[b] Nu. 6. 10. 19. 11, &c.
[c] Ex. 30. 13. Le. 27. 25. Nu. 3. 47.
[d] Le. 4. 3.
[e] Nu. 18. 20. De. 10. 9. 18. 1, 2. Jos. 13. 14, 33
[f] Le. 6. 18, 29. 7. 6.
[g] Le. 27. 21, 28. Nu. 18. 14.
[o] or, *devoted.*
[†] or, *chief.*
[h] Ex. 13. 2. 22. 29, 31. 23. 19. Nu. 3. 13.
[‡] or, *kid.*
[i] Nu. 15. 20. Ne. 10. 37.
[§] or, *thank offerings.*
[k] Mal. 3. 10.
[l] Le. 1. 4. Ro. 5. 10. 2 Co. 5. 19, 21. Ep. 2. 16. Col. 1. 20, 21. He. 2. 17.
[‖] *shall be for.*
[m] Le. 22. 8.
[•] or, *with.*
[†] *cause the land to fall.*
[n] ch. 47. 22.
[o] Pr. 3. 9, 10.
[‡] *holiness.*
[§] or, *thank offerings.*
[p] Le. 16. 16.
[‖] or, *void places.*
[r] ch. 43. 20.
[s] ch. 48. 10.
[t] Le. 4. 27.
[u] Ex. 12. 18. Nu. 9. 2, 3. 28. 16, 17. De. 16. 1, &c
[x] ch. 48. 13.
[z] Le. 4. 14.
[y] ch. 40. 17.
[a] Le. 23. 8.
[a] ch. 48. 15.
[b] Nu. 29. 5, &c
[c] ch. 46. 5, 7.
[d] ch. 48. 21.
[e] Le. 23. 33. De. 16. 13.
[f] ch. 22. 27. 46. 16. Pr. 28. 16. Je. 22. 17. Ja. 2. 6. 5. 1..6.
[g] ch. 44. 6.
[h] Je. 22. 3. Lu. 3. 14.
[i] ch. 44. 3.
[k] Ne. 5. 1..12. 1 Co. 6. 7, 8.
[•] *expulsions.*

10 Ye shall have just [a] balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.

11 The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer.

12 And the [e] shekel *shall be* twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.

13 This *is* the oblation that ye shall offer; the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley:

14 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, *ye shall offer* the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, *which is* an homer of ten baths; for ten baths *are* an homer:

15 And one [‖] lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for [§] peace offerings, [l] to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord GOD.

16 All the people of the land [‖] shall give this oblation [•] for the prince in Israel.

17 And it shall be the prince's part *to give* burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the [§] peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.

18 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and [l] cleanse the sanctuary:

19 And [m] the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put *it* upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.

20 And so thou shalt do the seventh *day* of the month [l] for every one that erreth, and for *him that is* simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.

21 In [n] the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.

22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a [n] bullock *for* a sin offering.

23 And [o] seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; [p] and a kid of the goats daily *for* a sin offering.

24 And [o] he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.

25 In the seventh *month*, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the [o] feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.

CHAP. XLVI.

THUS saith the Lord GOD; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

2 And [t] the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the

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priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.

3 Likewise the people of the land [b] shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons.

4 And the burnt offering that [c] the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day *shall be* six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish.

5 And [d] the meat offering *shall be* an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs [e] as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

6 And in the day of the new moon *it shall be* a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

7 And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

8 And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.

9 ¶ But when the people of the land [h] shall come before the LORD in the solemn feasts, [i] he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south gate; and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it.

10 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go forth, shall go forth.

11 And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

12 Now when the prince shall prepare [m] a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings voluntarily unto the LORD, [n] *one* shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east, and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth *one* shall shut the gate.

13 Thou [p] shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the LORD *of* a lamb [o] of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it † every morning.

14 And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it every morning, the sixth part of an ephah, and the third part of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour; a meat offering continually by a perpetual ordinance unto the LORD.

15 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering, and the oil, every morning *for* [r] a continual burnt offering.

16 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance thereof shall be his sons'; it *shall be* their possession by inheritance.

17 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his to [u] the year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince: but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them.

18 Moreover [v] the prince shall not take

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[a] Jno. 10. 28. Ep. 4. 8.
[b] Lu. 1. 10. Jno. 10. 9. Ha. 10. 19., 22.
[c] ch. 45. 17.
[d] 2 Ch. 35. 13.
[e] ch. 45. 29.
[f] Le. 2. 4, 5, 7.
[o] *the gift of his hand.* De. 16. 17.
[g] ch. 44. 19.
† *a court in a corner of a court, and a court in a corner of a court.*
‡ or, *made with chimneys.*
§ *cornered.*
[h] Ex. 23. 14., 17. De. 16. 16. Ps. 84. 7.
[i] Phi. 3. 13, 14. He. 10. 23. 2 Pe. 2. 20., 21.
[k] Joel 3. 18. Zec. 13. 1. 14. 8. Jno. 7. 37., 39. Re. 22. 1.
[l] ch. 40. 3.
[m] 1 Ki. 3. 4. 1 Ch. 29. 21. 2 Ch. 29. 31., &c. Ro. 12. 1. Ep. 5. 2.
[n] ch. 44. 3.
|| *waters of the ancles.* Lu. 24. 49. Ac. 10. 45, 46
[o] Ac. 19. 10., 20. Ro. 15. 19.
[p] Ex. 29. 38. Nu. 28. 3. Jno. 1. 29. 1 Pe. 1. 19, 20
[o] *a son of his year.*
† *morning by morning*
‡ *waters of swimming.* Mat. 13. 31., 32. Re. 7. 9.
[r] Je. 1. 11., 13. Mat. 13. 51.
§ *lip.*
[s] He. 7. 27. 9. 26.
[t] Re. 22. 2.
|| or, *plain.* De. 3. 17. 4. 49. Jos. 3. 16.
[u] Le. 25. 10.
[v] *two rivers.*
[w] ch. 45. 8.

of the people's inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession; *but* he shall give his sons inheritance [w] out of his own possession: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession.

19 ¶ After he brought me through the entry, which *was* at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north: and, behold, there *was* a place on the two sides westward.

20 Then said he unto me, This *is* the place where the priests shall [x] boil the trespass offering and the sin offering, where they shall *bake* the meat offering; that they bear *them* not out into the utter court, [y] to sanctify the people.

21 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, † in every corner of the court *there was* a court.

22 In the four corners of the court *there were* courts ‡ joined of forty *cubits* long and thirty broad: these four § corners *were* of one measure.

23 And *there was* a row *of building* round about in them, round about them four, and *it was* made with boiling places under the rows round about.

24 Then said he unto me, These *are* the places of them that boil, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifice of the people.

CHAP. XLVII.

AFTERWARD he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, [a] waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood toward* the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south *side* of the altar.

2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side.

3 And when [b] the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the || waters *were* to the ancles.

4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; [c] the waters *were* to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters *were* to the loins.

5 Afterward he measured a thousand; *and it was* a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, ‡ waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

6 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, [d] hast thou seen *this?* Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.

7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the § bank of the river *were* very many [e] trees on the one side and on the other.

8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the [f] desert, and go into the sea: *which being* brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.

9 And it shall come to pass, *that* every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the [g] rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come

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thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

10 And it shall come to pass, *that* the fishers shall stand upon it from En-gedi even unto En-eglaim; they shall be a *place* to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of [e] the great sea, exceeding many.

11 But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof [g] shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.

12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall [†] grow all trees for meat, [/] whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth [f] new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof [i] for [§] medicine.

13 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *shall be* the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: [k] Joseph *shall have two* portions.

14 And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: *concerning* the which I [‖] lifted [m] up mine hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall [n] fall unto you for inheritance.

15 And this *shall be* the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, [o] the way of Hethlon, as men go to [p] Zedad;

16 Hamath, [r] Berothah, Sibraim, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; [†] Hazar-hatticon, which *is* by the coast of Hauran.

17 And the border from the sea shall be [s] Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And *this is* the north side.

18 And the east side ye shall measure [§] from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel *by* Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And *this is* the east side.

19 And the south side southward, from Tamar *even* to [u] the waters of [‖] strife *in* Kadesh, the [v] river to the great sea. And *this is* the south side † southward.

20 The west side also *shall be* the great sea from the border, till a man come over against Hamath. This *is* the west side.

21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.

22 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you, [a] and to the strangers that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: [a] and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give *him* his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAP. XLVIII.

NOW these *are* the names of the tribes. [b] From the north end to the coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus northward, to the coast of Hamath; for these are his sides east *and* west; [‡] a *portion for* Dan.

2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, [c] a *portion for* Asher.

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[a] Jos. 19. 33.. 39.
[b] Jos. 17. 1..11
[c] ch. 48. 26. Nu. 34. 6. Jos. 23. 4.
[d] Jos. XVI. 17.14..18.
[e] or, *and that which shall not be healed.*
[f] Jos. 13. 15.. 21.
† *come up.*
[/] Job 8. 16. Ps. 1. 3. Je. 17. 8.
[g] Jos. XV.
‡ or, *principal.*
[h] ch. 45. 1..6.
[i] Re. 22. 2.
§ or, *bruises and sores.*
[k] ch. 48. 4, 5. Ge. 48. 5. 1 Ch. 5. 1.
[l] Mat. 10. 10. 1 Co. 9. 13, 14.
‖ or, *swore.*
[m] Ge. 12. 7. 26. 3.
[n] ch. 46. 29.
[o] ch. 48. 1.
[p] Nu. 34. 8.
[r] 2 Sa. 8. 8.
[s] or, *The sanctified portion* shall be *for the priests.*
[t] ch. 44. 15.
† or, *the middle village.*
‡ or, *ward*, or, *ordinance.* Mat. 24. 45, 46.
2 Ti. 4. 7. 1 Pe. 5. 4.
[u] Nu. 34. 9.
[v] ch. 44. 10.
§ *from between.*
[w] Nu. 20. 13. De. 32. 51. Ps. 81. 7.
‖ or, *Meribah*
[x] or, *valley.*
[y] Ex. 22. 29. Le. 27. 10, 26, 33.
† or, *toward Teman.*
[z] ch. 47. 20.
[a] Ep. 2. 12..22 3. 6. Re. 7. 9, 10.
[a] Ac. 15. 9. Ro. 10. 12. Ga. 3. 28. Col. 3. 11.
[b] ch. 47. 15, &c
‡ *one portion* Jos. 19. 40.. 47.
[c] Jos. 9. 47. Nu. 7. 65..72.
[d] Jos. 19. 24.. 31.

3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, [c] a *portion for* Naphtali.

4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, [b] a *portion for* Manasseh.

5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, [d] a *portion for* Ephraim.

6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, [e] a *portion for* Reuben.

7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, [f] a *portion for* Judah.

8 ¶ And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be [h] the offering which ye shall offer of five and twenty thousand *reeds in* breadth, and *in* length as one of the *other* parts, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it.

9 The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD *shall be* of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

10 And for them, [i] *even* for the priests, shall be *this* holy oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand *in length*, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.

11 [o] *It* [s] *shall be* for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok; which have kept my [t] charge, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, [u] as the Levites went astray.

12 And *this* oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the border of the Levites.

13 And over against the border of the priests the Levites *shall have* five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length *shall be* five and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

14 And [a] they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for *it is* holy unto the LORD.

15 ¶ And the five thousand, that are left in the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand, shall be [v] a profane *place* for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs: and the city shall be in the midst thereof.

16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred.

17 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

18 And the residue in length over against the oblation of the holy *portion shall be* ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward: and it shall be over against the oblation of the holy *portion*; and the increase thereof shall be for food unto [e] them that serve the city.

19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.

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20 All the oblation *shall be* five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.

21 ¶ And [h] the residue *shall be* for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince: and it shall be the holy oblation; [i] and the sanctuary of the house *shall be* in the midst thereof.

22 Moreover from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, *being* in the midst *of that* which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be for the prince.

23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west side [k] Benjamin *shall have* † a *portion*.

24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, [l] Simeon *shall have* a *portion*.

25 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side, [m] Issachar a *portion*.

26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, [n] Zebulun a *portion*.

27 And by the border of Zebulun, from

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[a] Jos. 13. 24.. 28.
[b] ch. 45. 7.
[c] ch. 47. 19.
[d] *Meribah-kadesh.*
[d] ch. 47. 14, 21.
[e] ver. 8, 10.
[f] Re. 21. 12, &c.
[g] Jos. 18. 21.. 28.
† *one portion.*
[h] Jos 19 1..9.
[i] Jos. 19. 17.. 23.
[k] Jos. 19. 10.. 16.
[l] Je. 33. 14.
[m] *Jehovah-shammah.* Ex. 17. 15. Ju. 6. 24.
[n] Je. 3. 17. Joel 3. 21. Zec. 2. 10. Re. 21. 3. 22. 3.

the east side unto the west side, [o] Gad a *portion*.

28 And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from Tamar *unto* [p] the waters of [q] strife *in* Kadesh, *and* to the river toward the great sea.

29 This [r] *is* the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these *are* their portions, saith the Lord GOD.

30 ¶ And these *are* the goings out of the city on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

31 And *by* the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi.

32 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; and one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan.

33 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

34 At the west side four thousand and five hundred, *with* their three gates; one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.

35 *It was* round about eighteen thousand *measures*: [t] and the name of the city from *that* day *shall be*, ¶ The [u] LORD *is* there.

[o] Jos. 13. 24.. 28.
[p] *Meribah-kadesh.*
[q] ch. 47. 19.
[r] ch. 47. 14, 21.
[s] ver. 8, 10.
[t] Re. 21. 12, &c.
[u] Jos. 18. 21.. 28.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. III. 15.—CHEBAR. A river of Mesopotamia, upon the banks of which king Nebuchadnezzar planted a colony of Jews, among whom was the prophet Ezekiel. This is believed to be the same river that was known among the Greeks as the Chaboras, and which now bears the name of Khabour. It flows to the Euphrates through Mesopotamia, and is the only considerable stream which enters that river. It is formed by the junction of a number of small brooks, which rise in the neighbourhood of a ruined town called Ras-el-Ain, thirteen furlongs south-west of Merdin. It takes a southernly direction, till it receives the waters of another stream equal to itself, when it bends westward to the Euphrates, which it enters at Kirkesia, the Carchemish of scripture. This spot is supposed to have been chosen for the captive Jews, partly that they might be safely secured from escaping from their captivity, and partly that they might secure and defend the place from enemies, it being through inundations uninhabited, and so exposed to them.

CH. XIII. 18.—EMBROIDERING. An important part of the oriental dress is that of the head. The veil, or richly embroidered kerchief, seems to have been used for the purpose of improperly attracting, and probably into idolatry. The engraving shews the manner in which kerchiefs and other small pieces are embroidered by the modern Egyptians, whose usages in this and many other respects are, as Kitto observes, 'the same as those of south-western Asia in general.' The pillows mentioned in the same text are thought to have been embroidered cushions for the arm-pits.

CH. XIX. 11.—SCEPTRES. The sceptre was a staff of authority, and in the early ages was very rude and simple, and no better than a shepherd's crook. It appears gradually to have become ornamented, and to have been formed of more durable and precious materials. The psalmist speaks of an iron sceptre (Ps. ii. 7), and Ahasuerus carried in his hand a golden sceptre (Esth. viii. 4.) The sceptre is very significantly used, and often referred to in scripture. Amos represents the sovereign power by him that holds the sceptre, Amos. i. 5, 8. It is also put for the rod of correction—for the sovereign power that punishes and humbles. "Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron," or with an iron sceptre (Ps. ii. 7); and Solomon uses the word to express the rod with which the disobedient son is disciplined (Prov. xxii. 15.) In some passages of Scripture we perceive that the sceptre is taken for a tribe, probably because the princes of each tribe carried a sceptre as a wand of command, to shew their dignity. In this sense it is used and rendered in 1 Sam. ix. 21; x. 19—21; xv. 17; 1 Kings xi. 32. In Lev. xxvii. 32, the word signifies a shepherd's wand; in 2 Sam. xxiii. 21, it signifies the truncheon of a warrior, or any other staff, and in Isa. xxviii. 27, the rod or flail with which they thresh the smaller grains. But we now use the word in the first sense, duly confining the sceptre to the hand of royalty. Proverbially we refer to it in the most simple form, when we advise any one to keep the sceptre in his own hand, signifying that he should tenaciously retain the power to which we allude. How much is comprehended in the description of the Redeemer's reign calculated to tranquillize the spirit under all circumstances, and to win the obedience of the heart! "A sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom," Heb. i. 8.

CH. XXX. 6.—SYENE. It is now called Assouan. This place is situated on the southern frontier of Egypt, towards Ethiopia, between Thebes and the cataracts of the Nile. In ch. xxix. 10. it is spoken of by the prophet as one of the boundaries of the land of Egypt. Pliny mentions it as a city standing in a peninsula on the eastern shore of the Nile, and says that it is a mile in circumference, and has a Roman garrison.

CH. XXX. 17.—AVEN—HELIOPOLIS. Aven is the same with On: see Gen. xli. 45; and the same with Beth-shemesh and Heliopolis, the city of the sun, Jer. xliii. 13. It was situated on the Nile, half a day's journey from Babylon in Egypt. Strabo speaks of ancient temples and obelisks shewn here in his time, and large houses of the priests, though the city was then deserted. It had a temple dedicated to the sun. It is famous for a fine obelisk of considerable size yet remaining, which is seventy feet in height, and is covered with hieroglyphics, though not equal in execution to some remaining in the south of Egypt. Several others which stood here have been carried to Rome or Constantinople. The area of Heliopolis is now a ploughed field, and a garden of herbs.

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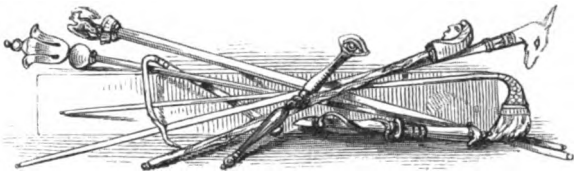


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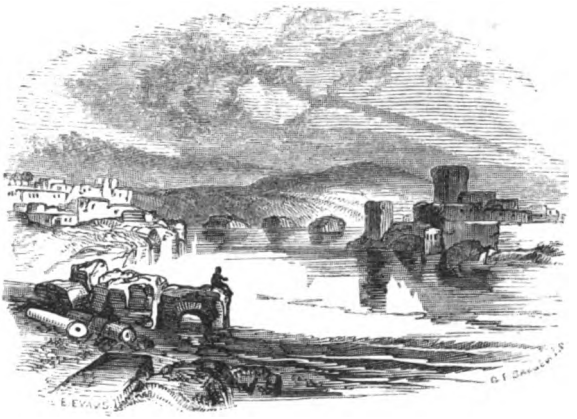


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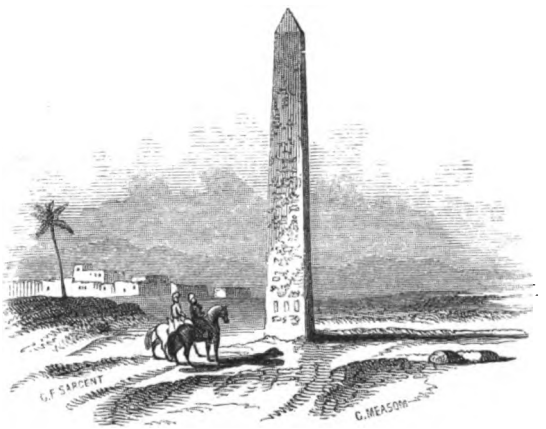
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The Book of DANIEL.

Relates some historical events respecting the Jews in the latter period of the Babylonish captivity, and predicts some important revolutions in the world, and the coming of the Messiah.

CHAP. I.

IN the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah [a] came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.

2 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God: which he carried into [b] the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.

3 ¶ And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring ‡ *certain* of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;

4 Children [c] in whom *was* no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as *had* ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and [d] whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.

5 And the king appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine § which he drank: so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might [e] stand before the king.

6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:

7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs [f] gave names: for he gave unto Daniel *the name* of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abed-nego.

8 ¶ But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself [g] with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

9 Now [h] God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs.

10 And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces † worse liking than the children which *are* of your ‡ sort? then shall ye make *me* endanger my head to the king.

11 Then said Daniel to § Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

12 Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us [i] pulse † to eat, and water to drink.

13 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.

14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

16 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

17 ¶ As for these four children, [k] God gave them [l] knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and [m] Daniel had [n] understanding in all visions and dreams.

18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore [o] stood they before the king.

20 And [p] in all matters of wisdom † *and* understanding, that the king enquired *of* them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians *and* astrologers that *were* in all his realm.

21 And [q] Daniel continued *even* unto the first year of king Cyrus.

CHAP. II.

AND in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, [r] wherewith his spirit was troubled, and [s] his sleep brake from him.

2 Then [t] the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

4 Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, [u] O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.

5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be ‖ cut [v] in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill.

6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and [w] rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.

7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would ‖ gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, [x] *there is but* one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.

10 ¶ The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, [y] except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

12 For this cause the king was angry

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[a] Ac. 7. 22.
[b] or, *he made Daniel understand.*
[b] 2 Kl. 24. 1. 2 Ch. 36. 6.
[c] Nu. 12. 6. 2 Ch. 26. 5.
[d] Ge. 10. 10. 11. 2. Is. 11. 11. Zec. 5. 11.
[e] Ge. 41. 46.
[f] 1 Kl. 10. 1.
† *of.*
‡ Foretold 2 Ki. 20. 17, 18. Is. 39. 7.
[g] Le. 24. 19, 20.
[h] ch. 6. 28. 10. 1. He lived to see that glorious time of the return of his people from the Babylonian captivity, though he did not die then. So *till* is used, Ps. 110. 1. 112. 8.
[i] Ac. 7. 22.
[k] Ge. 41. 8.
[l] Es. 6. 1.
§ *of his drink.*
[m] Ex. 7. 11.
[n] Ge. 41. 46. 1 Kl. 10. 8.
[o] 2 Ki. 24. 17.
[p] 1 Kl. 1. 20.
[q] De. 32. 38. Eze. 4. 13. Ho. 9. 3.
[r] Ge. 39. 21. Ps. 106. 46. Pr. 16. 7.
‖ Ch. *made pieces.*
[s] Esr. 6. 11.
[t] or, *fee*, ch. 5. 17.
† *sadder.*
‡ or, *term*, or, *continuance.*
§ or, *the steward.*
‖ Ch. *buy*, Ep. 5. 16.
[u] *of pulse.*
† *that we may eat, &c.*
[v] Ex. 4. 11.
[w] ch. 5. 11.
[x] 1 Kl. 3. 12. Ja. 1. 5, 17

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and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise *men* of Babylon.

13 And the decree went forth that the wise *men* should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain.

14 ¶ Then Daniel † answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the ‡ captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise *men* of Babylon:

15 He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why *is* the decree *so* hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.

16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

18 That *d* they would desire mercies * of the God of heaven concerning this secret; † that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise *men* of Babylon.

19 ¶ Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel *i* in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

20 Daniel answered and said, *l* Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: *m* for wisdom and might are his:

21 And he changeth * the times and the seasons: *n* he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: *o* he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

22 He * revealeth the deep and secret things: *p* he knoweth what *is* in the darkness, and *q* the light dwelleth with him.

23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast *now* made known unto us the king's matter.

24 ¶ Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise *men* of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise *men* of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.

25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, § I have found a man of the ‖ captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation.

26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, Art thou able *to* make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?

27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;

28 But * there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and † maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar *r* what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts † came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.

30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than any living, but for ‡ *their* sakes

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* Ch. *was seeing.*
† Ch. *returned.*
‡ Ch. *chief of the executioners*, or *slaughtermen*, or, *chief marshal.*
a Ge. 37. 36.
a ver. 36, &c.
§ or, *sides.*
‖ or, *which was not in hands.* ver. 45.
b Zec. 4. 6.
c Ps. 1. 4.
d Mat. 18. 19.
* Ch. *from before God.*
e Ps.37.10,36.
† or, *that they should not destroy Daniel, &c.*
f Is. 2. 2, 3.
g Ps. 80. 9.
h Job33.15,16
i Ho. 8. 10.
k Ezr. 1. 2.
l Ps. 113. 2.
m Je. 27. 5.
n Je. 32. 19.
o 1 Ch. 29. 30.
p Ps. 75. 6, 7.
q Ja. 1. 5.
r Ps. 25. 14.
s Ps.139.11,12
Ho. 4. 13.
t Je. 1. 17.
* Jno. 11. 49.
‡ or, *brittle.*
§ Ch. *That I have found*
‖ Ch. *children of the captivity of Judah.*
* Ch. *Is with this.*
† Ch. *their days.*
u Ps. 110. 1. Is. 9. 6, 7. Mat. 3. 2. Ep. 1. 20..23
v Mi. 4. 7. Lu. 1.33,33.
‡ Ch. *kingdom thereof.*
w Ps. 2. 9. Is. 60. 12. 1 Co. 15. 24.
x Is. 28. 16.
§ or, *which was not in hand.*
b Ge. 40. 8. Am. 4. 13.
‖ Ch. *hath made known*
* Ch. *after this.*
c Ge. 49. 1.
d Ac. 10. 25.
† Ch. *came up.*
‡ or, *the intent that the interpretation may be made known to the king.*

that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

31 ¶ Thou, O king, * sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible.

32 This * image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his § thighs of brass,

33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out ‖ without *b* hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became * like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that * no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image *f* became a great mountain, *g* and filled the whole earth.

36 ¶ This *is* the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

37 Thou, *i* O king, *art* a king of kings: *k* for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

38 And * wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou *art* this head of gold.

39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

40 And * the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all *things*: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly ‡ broken.

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave * one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

44 And in † the days of these kings shall the God of heaven *u* set up a kingdom, *v* which shall never be destroyed: and the ‡ kingdom shall not be left to other people, * *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

45 Forasmuch * as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain § without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass * hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

46 ¶ Then *d* the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.

47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth *it is*, that your God *is* a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.

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DANIEL.

NOTE.

Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the Image composed of four Metals Daniel. (Chapter II.) and Daniel's Vision of the four wild Beasts. (Chapter VII.) denote the following Great Empires. 1st the BABYLONIAN, the Head of Gold. 2nd the PERSIAN, or MEDO-PERSIAN, Breast & Arms of Silver. 3rd the MACEDONIAN or MACEDO-GRECIAN. 4th the ROMAN EMPIRE. The ten toes of the Image, and the 10 Horns of the Beast, represent the breaking up of the Roman Empire into the 10 Kingdoms of Hungary, Mesia, Pannonia, Gaul, Africa, Spain, Burgundy, Italy, Britain, Lombardy.

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48 Then the king made Daniel a great man, [a] and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and [c] chief of the governors over all the wise *men* of Babylon.

49 Then Daniel requested of the king, [e] and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel [f] *sat* in the gate of the king.

CHAP. III.

NEBUCHADNEZZAR the king made [i] an image of gold, whose height *was* threescore cubits, *and* the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

3 Then [j] the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

4 Then an herald cried ‖ aloud, To you • it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,

5 *That* at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, § dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down *and* worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

8 ¶ Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, [n] and accused the Jews.

9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, [p] O king, live for ever.

10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, *that* he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

12 There [t] are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these men, O king, † have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

13 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar in *his* rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought these men before the king.

14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, *Is it* § true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?

15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and

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[a] ver. 6.
[b] Ex. 32. 32. Lu. 13. 9.
[c] ch. 5. 11.
[d] Ex. 5. 2. 2 Ki. 18. 35.
[e] ch. 3. 12.
[f] Es. 2. 19, 21. 3. 2.
[g] Mat. 10. 19.
[h] Ro. 8. 31. He. 7. 25.
[i] Ex. 20. 23. Ps. 115. 4, 8. Ac. 17. 29.
• Ch. *filled.*
[j] Ro. 3. 11.
† Ch. *mighty of strength.*
‡ or, *mantles.*
§ or, *turbans.*
‖ Ch. *with might.*
• Ch. *they command.*
† Ch. *word.*
‡ or, *spark.*
[k] Pr. 21. 18. Mat. 27. 5. Ac. 12. 19.
§ Ch. *symphony,* or, *singing.*
[l] 2 Co. 4. 17. 1 Pe. 4. 12, 13.
‖ or, *governors.*
[m] Is. 43. 2.
• Ch. *there is no hurt in them.*
[n] ch. 6. 12. Ac. 28. 22. 1 Pe. 4. 3, 4.
• Job 1. 6. 38. 7. Ps. 34. 7.
[p] ch. 2. 4. 5. 10. 6. 6, 21.
† Ch. *door.*
[r] He. 11. 34.
[s] Mat. 10. 29. 31. Lu. 21. 17, 18 Ac. 27. 34.
[t] ch. 2. 49.
‡ Ch. *have set no regard upon thee.*
[u] He. 1. 14.
• Ps. 34. 7, 8. 84. 12. Je. 17. 7. 2 Co. 1. 9, 10. Ep. 1. 12, 13
§ or, *of purpose.* Ex. 21. 13.
‖ Ch. *a decree is made by me.*
[x] ch. 6. 26.
• Ch. *error.*
[y] ch. 2. 5.
† Ch. *made pieces.*

all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; [b] *well:* but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; [d] and who *is* that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?

16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, [g] we *are* not careful to answer thee in this matter.

17 If it be *so,* our God whom we serve [h] is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king.

18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

19 ¶ Then was Nebuchadnezzar • full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: *therefore* he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

20 And he commanded the † most mighty men that *were* in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, *and* to cast *them* into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these men were bound in their ‡ coats, their hosen, and their § hats, and their *other* garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore because the king's † commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the ‡ flame of the fire [k] slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, [l] fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonied, and rose up in haste, *and* spake, and said unto his ‖ counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, [m] walking in the midst of the fire, and • they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like [n] the Son of God.

26 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the † mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and* spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come *hither.* Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, [r] upon whose bodies the fire had no power, [s] nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

28 *Then* Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, [u] who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that [v] trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.

29 Therefore ‖ I [x] make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak [y] any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall [y] be † cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.

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30 Then the king [e] promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, in the province of Babylon.

CHAP. IV.

NEBUCHADNEZZAR the king, [a] unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

2 [†] I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders [b] that the high God hath wrought toward me.

3 How great *are* his signs! [c] and how mighty *are* his wonders! his kingdom *is* an [d] everlasting kingdom, and his dominion *is* from generation to generation.

4 [¶] I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

5 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me.

6 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise *men* of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

7 Then [e] came in the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers: and I told the dream before them; but [f] they did not make known unto me the interpretation thereof.

8 [¶] But at the last Daniel came in before me, [g] whose name *was* Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god, [h] and in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods: and before him I told the dream, *saying*,

9 O Belteshazzar, [i] master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods *is* in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.

10 Thus *were* the visions of mine head in my bed; [‡] I saw, and behold [l] a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof *was* great.

11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

12 The leaves thereof *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all: [m] the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.

13 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, [n] a watcher and [o] an holy one came down from heaven;

14 He cried [p] aloud, and said thus, [q] Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: [r] let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

15 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven [s] times pass over him.

17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent [t] that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, [u] and setteth up over it the basest of men.

18 This dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, [k] forasmuch as all the wise *men* of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation: but thou *art* able; [x] for the spirit of the holy gods *is* in thee.

19 [¶] Then Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, was astonied for one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, [y] the dream *be* to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.

20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;

21 Whose leaves *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:

22 It [z] *is* thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, [a] and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

23 And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, [b] and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;

24 This *is* the interpretation, O king, and this *is* the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:

25 That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee [c] to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, [d] till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and [e] giveth it to whomsoever he will.

26 And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the [f] heavens do rule.

27 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and [g] break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; [h] if it may be [§] a [α] lengthening of thy tranquillity.

28 [¶] All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

29 At the end of twelve months he walked [i] in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

30 The king [k] spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?

31 While [l] the word *was* in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, *saying*, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.

32 And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and

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[e] Ch. *made to prosper.*
[a] ver. 8.
[b] ch. 3. 4. Ac. 2. 6.
[†] Ch. *It was seemly before me.*
[c] ch. 3. 26. Ps. 66. 16. Ac. 21. 1, &c. 25. 9..16.
[d] 2 Sa. 18. 32. Je. 29. 7.
[e] Is. 29. 29. Ro. 11. 33. He. 2. 4.
[f] Lu. 1. 32, 33. 1 Ti. 1. 17. He. 1. 8. Re. 11. 15.
[g] ch. 2. 26.
[h] ch. 2. 2.
[i] Je. 27. 6..8.
[j] Is. 44. 25. 2 Ti. 3. 8, 9.
[k] ch. 1. 7. Je. 50. 2.
[l] ch. 5. 11, 14. Is. 63. 11.
[m] ch. 5. 21.
[n] ch. 2. 49.
[o] Job 30. 5..7. Ps. 106. 20.
[‡] Ch. *I was seeing.*
[p] ver. 20..22. Ps. 37. 35, 36. Is. 10. 33, 34. Je. 12. 12. Eze. 31. 3, &c.
[r] Ps. 83. 18.
[s] Je. 27. 5.
[t] La. 4. 20. Eze. 17. 23.
[u] Mat. 21. 25. Lu. 15 18, 21
[v] Mat. 3. 8. Ja. 4. 8..10. 1 Pe. 4. 8.
[x] Ps. 103. 20.
[y] ch. 8. 13. De. 33. 2. Zec. 14. 5. Jude 14.
[z] Ps. 41. 1, &c.
[§] or, *an healing of thine error*
[α] 1 Ki. 21. 29.
[‖] Ch. *with might.*
[b] Mat. 3. 10.
[c] Eze. 31. 12
[d] or, *upon.*
[e] Pr. 16. 18.
[f] ch. 5. 5. Lu. 12. 20. 1 Th. 5. 3.
[g] ch. 11. 13. 12. 7.
[h] Ps. 9. 16.
[i] Ps. 12. 8. 113. 7, 8. 1 Co. 1. 28.
[k] Job 20. 5.
[l] ch. 5. 8, 15. Ge. 41. 8, 15.

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his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' *feathers*, and his nails like birds' *claws*.

34 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him [a] that liveth for ever, whose dominion *is* [b] an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom *is* from generation to generation:

35 And [d] all the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing: and [e] he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and [f] none can stay his hand, or say unto him, [h] What doest thou?

36 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was [i] added unto me.

37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, [k] all whose works *are* truth, and his ways judgment: [l] and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

CHAP. V.

BELSHAZZAR the king [m] made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

2 Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels [n] which his* † father Nebuchadnezzar had ‡ taken out of the temple which *was* in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

3 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which *was* at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

4 They drank wine, [r] and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

5 ¶ In [t] the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

6 Then the king's ‖ countenance * was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the †joints of his loins were loosed, and his [y] knees smote one against another.

7 The [z] king cried § aloud to bring in [a] the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. *And* the king spake, and said to the wise *men* of Babylon, Whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with †scarlet, and *have* a chain of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.

8 Then came in all the king's wise *men*: but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.

9 Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his ‡ countenance was changed in him, and his lords were astonied.

10 ¶ *Now* the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: *and* the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:

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* or, *grandfather.* ver. 2.
[a] Jno. 5. 26. 1 Ti. 6. 16. Re. 4. 10.
[b] Ps. 10. 16. Mi. 4. 7. Lu. 1. 33.
[c] ch. 6. 3.
† or, *of an interpreter.*
[d] Is. 40.15,17.
[e] Ps. 135. 6. Mat. 11. 25, 26. Ac. 4. 28. Ep. 1. 11.
‡ or, *of a dissolver.*
§ Ch. *knots.*
[f] ch. 1. 7.
[g] Job 34. 29.
[h] Job 9. 12. Is. 45. 9. Ro. 9. 20.
‖ or, *grandfather.*
[i] Job 42. 12. Pr. 22. 4. Mat. 6. 33.
[k] Ps. 33. 4. Re. 15. 3.
[l] Ex. 18. 11.
[m] Es. 1. 3.
* Ch. *interpret.*
[n] Je. 52. 19.
† or, *grandfather.* Je. 27. 7. 2 Sa. 9. 7. 2 Ch. 15. 16.
‡ Ch. *brought forth.*
[o] Ac.8.18..20.
[p] Ps. 119. 46.
§ or, *fee.* ch. 2. 6.
[r] Re. 9. 20.
[s] De. 32. 8. Ro. 13. 1.
[t] ch. 4. 31.
[u] Je. 27. 7.
[v] Pr. 16. 14. Jno. 19. 11.
‖ Ch. *brightnesses.* ver. 9.
* Ch. *changed it.*
† Ch. *bindings*, or, *knots*, or, *girdles.* Is. 5. 27.
[x] Lu.1.52,53. 18. 14. He. 3. 13.
[y] Na. 2. 10.
‡ or, *to deal proudly.* Ex. 18. 11.
[z] ch. 2. 2.
§ Ch. *with might.*
‖ Ch. *made to come down.*
[a] Is. 47. 13.
* or, *he made his heart equal, &c.*
† or, *purple.*
[b] Ps.83.17,18.
[c] Mat. 21. 32. 1 Pe. 5. 5, 6.
‡ Ch. *brightnesses.*

11 There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy * father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy * father, the king, *I say*, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, *and* soothsayers;

12 Forasmuch [c] as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, † interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and ‡ dissolving of § doubts, were found in the same Daniel, [f] whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.

13 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. *And* the king spake and said unto Daniel, *Art* thou that Daniel, which *art* of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my ‖ father brought out of Jewry?

14 I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods *is* in thee, and *that* light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

15 And now the wise *men*, the astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation thereof: but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing:

16 And I have heard of thee, that thou canst * make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, [o] thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and *have* a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom.

17 ¶ Then Daniel answered and said before the king, [p] Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy § rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation.

18 O thou king, [s] the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:

19 And for the majesty that he gave him, [u] all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: [v] whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.

20 But [x] when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened ‡ in pride, he was ‖ deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:

21 And he was driven from the sons of men; and * his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling *was* with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; [b] till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdom of men, and *that* he appointeth over it whomsoever he will.

22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, [c] hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;

23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath *is*,

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[a] and whose *are* all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

24 Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.

25 ¶ And this *is* the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

26 This *is* the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

27 TEKEL; [c] Thou art weighed in the balances, [d] and art found wanting.

28 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the [e] Medes and [f] Persians.

29 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and *put* a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

30 ¶ In [g] that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

31 And [h] Darius the Median took the kingdom, [i] *being* † about threescore and two years old.

CHAP. VI.

IT pleased Darius to set [k] over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;

2 And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel *was* first: [l] that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

3 Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit *was* in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.

4 ¶ Then [m] the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; [n] but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he *was* faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

5 Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find *it* against him concerning the law of his God.

6 Then these presidents and princes ‖ assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, [p] King Darius, live for ever.

7 All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, [q] have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

8 Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the [r] law of the Medes and Persians, which [s] altereth not.

9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

10 ¶ Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber [t] toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees [u] three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

12 Then [x] they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask *a petition* of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing *is* true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

13 Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, [y] which *is* of the children of the captivity of Judah, [z] regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his petition three times a day.

14 Then the king, when he heard *these* words, [a] was sore displeased with himself, and set *his* heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

15 Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians *is*, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed.

16 Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast *him* into the den of lions. *Now* the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, [b] he will deliver thee.

17 And [c] a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; [d] and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.

18 ¶ Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were ‡ instruments of musick brought before him: [e] and his sleep went from him.

19 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.

20 And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: *and* the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, [f] whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?

21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.

22 My [g] God hath sent his angel, and hath [h] shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.

23 Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

24 ¶ And the king commanded, [i] and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast *them* into the den of lions, them, [k] their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.

25 ¶ Then [l] king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

26 I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men [m] tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: [n] for he *is* the living God, and stedfast for ever, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be [o] destroyed, and his dominion *shall be even* unto the end.

27 He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the [p] power of the lions.

28 So this Daniel [q] prospered in the reign of Darius, [r] and in the reign of [s] Cyrus the Persian.

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[a] Je. 10. 23. He. 4. 13.
[b] ch. 1. 6. 5. 13.
[c] ch. 3. 12.
[d] Mar. 6. 26.
[e] Job 31. 6. Ps. 62. 9. Je. 6. 30.
[f] Mat. 22. 11 ..13. 1 Co. 3. 13.
[g] Foretold, Is. 21. 2.
[h] ch. 6. 28.
[i] Je. 51. 31, 39, 57.
[k] ch. 9. 1.
[l] Ch. he as *the son of*, &c.
† or, *now*
[i] Is. 43. 2. Ac. 27. 23, 24
[m] La. 3. 53.
[n] Mat. 27. 66.
[o] Es. 1. 1.
[p] Mat. 18. 23, &c. Lu. 15. 2. 1 Co. 4. 2.
‡ or, *table*.
[r] ch. 2. 1.
[s] Ec. 4. 4.
[t] Jno. 19. 4. 2 Co. 11. 12. Phi. 2. 15. 1 Pe. 3. 1, 16.
[u] Lu. 18. 1. Ac. 6. 4. Ro. 2. 7. 1 Th. 5. 17, 18
[x] ch. 3. 24.
[y] He. 11. 33.
§ or, *came tumultuously*
[z] Ne. 2. 3.
[a] Mat. 12. 14. Mar. 15. 1. Jno. 12. 10.
‖ or, *interdict*.
[a] De. 19. 19.
[b] De. 24. 16. 2 Ki. 14. 6. Es. 9. 10.
[c] Es. 1. 19. 8. 8.
[d] Ch. *passeth not*.
[d] ch. 4. 1.
[e] 1 Ki 8. 44, 48. Ps. 5. 7. Jon. 2. 4.
[f] Ps 55. 17. Lu. 12. 4. 9. Ac. 2. 1, 2, 15. 3. 1. 10. 9.
[g] Ps. 99. 1.
[h] ch. 4. 34.
[i] Lu. 1. 33.
[k] ch. 3. 8.
[l] *hand*.
[i] Ps. 27. 5, 6. 31. 4, 5, 15, 16.
[m] ch. 1. 21.
[n] Ezr. 1. 1, 2.

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CHAP. VII.

IN the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon [a] Daniel [a] had a dream and [b] visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, *and* told the sum of the [†] matters.

2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

3 And four great beasts [d] came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

4 The first *was* [e] like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, [f] and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

5 And [f] behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up [g] itself on one side, and *it had* three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

6 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also [i] four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it *was* diverse from all the beasts that *were* before it; [m] and it had ten horns.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes [p] of man, [r] and a mouth speaking great things.

9 [q] I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and [t] the Ancient of days did sit, [u] whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, [v] *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.

10 A [x] fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: [a] thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: [b] the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet [‡] their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, [c] *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

14 And [h] there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* [i] an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

15 [¶] I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of *my* [||] body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all

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[a] Nu. 12. 6. Am. 3. 7.
[b] Ch. *saw.*
[c] ch. 2. 28.
[†] or, *words.*
[d] Is. 60. 12., 14 2 Ti. 2. 11, 12. Re. 2. 26, 27.
[‡] Ch. *high ones*, i. e. *things*, or, *places.*
[e] Re. 13. 1.
[§] Ch. *those.*
[f] Da. 28. 49.
[||] or, *wherewith.*
[g] ch. 2. 39, 40.
[h] or, *one dominion.*
[i] Re. 11. 7. 19. 19.
[k] 1 Co. 6. 2. Re. 1. 6. 5. 10.
[l] ch. 8. 8, 22.
[m] ch. 2. 40.
[n] Re. 17. 12.
[o] Re. 13. 1.
[p] Is. 37. 23. Re. 13. 5, 6.
[q] Re. 17. 6. 18. 24.
[r] Re. 9. 7.
[s] Ps. 12. 3.
[t] ch. 12. 7. Re. 12. 14.
[u] Ps. 90. 2.
[v] Ps. 104. 2. Re. 1. 14.
[x] Eze. 1. 15, 16
[a] Ps. 50. 3. 97. 3. Is. 30. 33. 66. 15.
[b] Re. 11. 15.
[c] 1 Ki. 22. 19. Ps. 68. 17. He. 12. 22. Re. 5. 11.
[d] Is. 60. 12.
[†] or, *rulers.*
[h] Re. 20. 4, 12.
[i] Lu. 2. 19, 51.
[k] Re. 19. 20.
[l] ch. 7. 1.
[‡] Ch. *a prolonging in life was given them*
[f] Es. 1. 2.
[g] Eze. 1. 26. Mat. 24. 30. 26. 64. Re. 1. 7, 13. 14. 14.
[h] Ps. 2. 6, 8. 8. 6. 110. 1, 2. Mat. 11. 27. 28. 18. Jno. 3. 35. 1 Co. 15. 27. Ep. 1. 22.
[i] *second.*
[¶] Ps. 145. 13. Mi. 4. 7. Jno. 12. 34. He. 12. 28.
[||] Ch. *sheath.*

this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

17 These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth.

18 But [c] the saints of the [‡] most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all [§] the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth *were of* iron, and his nails *of* brass; *which* devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

20 And of the ten horns that *were* in his head, and *of* the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even *of* that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look *was* more stout than his fellows.

21 I beheld, [f] and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

22 Until the Ancient of days came, [h] and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be [k] the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

24 And [l] the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

25 And [m] he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall [o] wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand [p] until a time and times and the dividing of time.

26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy *it* unto the end.

27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, [g] whose kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, [s] and all [†] dominions shall serve and obey him.

28 Hitherto *is* the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I [t] kept the matter in my heart.

CHAP. VIII.

IN the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, *even unto* me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me [a] at the first.

2 And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I *was* at [f] Shushan *in* the palace, which *is* in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had *two* horns: and the *two* horns *were* high; but one *was* higher than the [§] other, and the higher came up last.

4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither *was there any* that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face

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of the whole earth, and * touched not the ground: and the goat *had* † a notable horn between his eyes.

6 And he came to the ram that had *two* horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up ‖ four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

9 And *f* out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the ‖ pleasant *land*.

10 And it waxed great, *even* ‖ to § the host of heaven; and ‖ it cast down *some* of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

11 Yea, ‖ he magnified *himself* even † to *the* prince of the host, and ‖ by him ‖ the daily *sacrifice* was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

12 And § an * host was given *him* against the daily *sacrifice* by reason of transgression, and it cast down ‖ the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

13 ¶ Then I heard *a* one saint speaking, and another saint said unto ‖ that certain *saint* which spake, How long *shall be* the vision *concerning* the daily *sacrifice*, and the transgression * of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred † days; then shall the sanctuary be ‡ cleansed.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, when I, *even* I Daniel, had seen the vision, and ‖ sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me ‖ as the appearance of a man.

16 And I heard a man's voice between *the banks of* Ulai, which called, and said, ‖ Gabriel, make this *man* to understand the vision.

17 So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and * fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end *shall be* the vision.

18 Now * as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: * but he touched me, and ‖ set me upright.

19 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end *shall be*.

20 The ram which thou sawest having *two* horns *are* the kings of Media and Persia.

21 And the rough goat *is* the king of Grecia: and the great horn that *is* between his eyes *is* the first king.

22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are * come to the full, a king § of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

24 And his power shall be mighty, * but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the ‡ holy people.

25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify *himself* in his heart, and by § peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be * broken without hand.

26 And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told *is* true: * wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it *shall be* for many days.

27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick *certain* days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, * but none understood *it*.

CHAP. IX.

IN the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, * which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;

2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to ‖ Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And ‖ I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

5 We * have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:

6 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

7 O Lord, * righteousness § *belongeth* unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, *that are* near, and *that are* far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.

8 O Lord, to us *belongeth* confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.

9 To § the Lord our God *belong* mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him;

10 Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

11 Yea, *d* all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that *is* written in the * law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

12 And he hath *f* confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

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* or, *none touched him in the earth.*
† *a horn of might.*
‡ *people of the holy ones.*
§ or, *prosperity.*
‖ or, *against the host.*
* or, *in which he, &c.*
† or, *against*
‡ or, *from.*
§ or, *the host was given over for the transgression, against the daily sacrifice.*
* or, *making desolate.*
† *evening morning.*
‡ *justified.*
‖ *made me stand upon my standing.*
* or, *thou hast, &c.*

a Re. 17. 13, 17
b Job 34. 20. La. 4. 6.
c Eze. 12. 27. Re. 22. 10.
d ch. 11. 4.
e ver. 16.
f ch. 11. 21.
g Ps. 40. 2. Eze. 20. 6, 15.
h Is. 14. 13.
i Re. 12. 4.
k Jo. 48. 26, 42.
l Jos. 5. 14.
m Ex. 29. 38. Nu. 28. 3.
n Eze. 46. 13.
o 2 Ch. 36. 21. Je. 29. 10.
p ch. 11. 31.
q Ja. 4. 8. 10.
r Ps. 119. 43, 142. Is. 59. 14.
s 1 Pe. 1. 12.
t 1 Ki. 18. 37. Ps. 106. 6. Is. 64. 5, 7.
u Re. 1. 17.
v Ro 3. 5, 6.
w Exe 1. 26.
x Lu. 1. 19, 26.
y Re. 1. 17.
z Lu. 9. 32.
a Ep. 1. 6, 8.
b Ezr. 2. 2.
c Ezr. 2. 2.
d Is. 1. 4, 6.
e Le 26. 14, &c
f Zec. 1. 6.
g accomplished.
h De. 28. 50.

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13 As [a] *it is* written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: § yet † made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.

14 Therefore hath the LORD watched upon [b] the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God *is* righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.

15 And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast ‖ gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.

16 ¶ O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people *are become* a reproach to all *that are* about us.

17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.

18 O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city § which is called by thy name: for we do not ‖ present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.

19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.

20 ¶ And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God;

21 Yea, whiles I *was* speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly † swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

22 And he informed *me*, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to § give thee skill and understanding.

23 At the beginning of thy supplications the [c] commandment came forth, and I am come to shew *thee;* for thou *art* ‡ greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

24 § Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to ‖ finish the transgression, and to [c] make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, [d] and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and † prophecy, [f] and to anoint the most Holy.

25 Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to § restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall ‖ be built again, and the [c] wall, even in † troublous times.

26 And after threescore and two weeks [g] shall Messiah be cut off, ‡ but not for himself: § and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war ‖ desolations are determined.

27 And he shall confirm [c] the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, [c] and for the overspreading of [e] abominations he shall make *it* desolate, [d] even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the ‡ desolate.

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[a] De. 28. 15.
[c] or, *and upon the battlements shall be the idols of the desolator.*
[b] Is. 9. 13.
† *intreated we not the face of, &c.*
[e] Mar. 13. 14.
[d] Ro. 11. 26.
‡ or, *desolator.*
§ *great.*
‖ *made thee a name.*
[c] *weeks of days.*
† *bread of desires.*
‡ *one man.*
§ *whereupon thy name is called.*
‖ *cause to fall.* Je. 36. 7.
[c] or, *vigour.*
† *with weariness,* or, *flight.*
‡ *moved.*
§ *make thee skilful of.*
‖ *of desires.*
[c] *word.*
† *upon thy standing.*
‡ *a man of desires.*
§ They begin from the 20th of Artaxerxes Nu. 14. 34. Eze. 4. 6.
‖ or, *restrain*
[c] or, *seal up,* La. 4. 22. He. 9. 12.
† *prophet.*
[f] Jno. 1. 41.
‡ or, *the first.*
§ or, *build again Jerusalem.* 2 Sa. 15. 25.
‖ *return and be builded.*
[c] or, *breach,* or, *ditch.*
† *strait of times,* Ne. 6. 15.
[g] Mar. 9. 12.
‡ or, *and shall have nothing,* Jno. 14. 30.
§ or, *and [the Jews] they shall be no more his people.* ch. 11. 17. or, *and the prince's [Messiah's,* ver. 25] *future people.*
‖ or, *it shall be cut off by desolations.*
[c] or, a.
† or, *this servant of.*

CHAP. X.

IN the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing *was* true, but the time appointed *was* § long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three [c] full weeks.

3 I ate no † pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.

4 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which is Hiddekel;

5 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold ‡ a certain man clothed in linen, whose loins *were* girded with fine gold of Uphaz:

6 His body also *was* like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

7 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.

8 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my [c] comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.

9 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.

10 ¶ And, behold, an hand touched me, which ‡ set me upon my knees and *upon* the palms of my hands.

11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man ‖ greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand † upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.

12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, ‡ one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

14 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision *is* for *many* days.

15 And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward the ground, and I became dumb.

16 And, behold, *one* like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength.

17 For how can † the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me,

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straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me.

18 Then there came again and touched me *one* like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me,

19 And said, O man greatly beloved, [a] fear not: peace *be* unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.

20 Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.

21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and *there is* none that ‖holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

CHAP. XI.

ALSO I in the first year of Darius the Mede, *even* I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.

2 And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than *they* all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will.

4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, [c]nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

5 ¶ And the king of the south shall be strong, and *one* of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion *shall be* a great dominion.

6 And in the end of years they shall ‖join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make [e]an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and [f]he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in *these* times.

7 But out of a branch of her roots shall *one* stand up in his †estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail:

8 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, *and* with ‖their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue *more* years than the king of the north.

9 So the king of the south shall come into *his* kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

10 But his sons shall †be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and *one* shall certainly come, and [h]overflow, and pass through: then shall he †return, and be stirred up, *even* to his fortress.

11 And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, *even* with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand.

12 *And* when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down *many* ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened *by it*.

13 For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come [o]after certain years with a great army and with much riches.

14 And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the †robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

15 So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the ‡most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither §his chosen people, neither *shall there be any* strength to withstand.

16 But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the [p]glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.

17 He shall also [b] set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and †upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, ‡corrupting her: but she shall not stand *on his side*, neither be for him.

18 After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince §for his own behalf shall cause ‖the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause *it* to turn upon him.

19 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, [d] and not be found.

20 Then shall stand up in his [p]estate †a raiser of taxes *in* the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in ‡anger, nor in battle.

21 And in his §estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be broken; [e] yea, also the prince of the covenant.

23 And / after the league *made* with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.

24 He shall enter §peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do *that* which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: *yea*, and he shall [p]forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.

25 And [f] he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.

27 And both these kings' §hearts *shall be* to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end *shall be* at the time appointed.

28 Then shall he return into his land

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[a] Ju. 6. 23. Is. 43. 1, 2. Mat. 28. 5. Jno. 14. 1, 27. Re. 1. 17.
[b] *at the end of times, even years.* ch. 8. 16. 12. 7.
† *children of robbers.*
‡ *city of munitions.*
§ *the people of his choices.*
‖ *strengtheneth himself.*
[c] *land of ornament,* or, *goodly land,* ch. 8. 9.
[d] 2 Ki. 12. 17. 2 Ch. 20. 3. Pr. 19. 21. Ese. 4. 3, 7. 25. 2. Lu. 9. 51.
† or, *much uprightness*: or, *equal conditions.*
‡ *to corrupt.*
§ *for him.*
‖ *his reproach.*
[e] ch. 8. 22.
[d] Job 20. 8. Ps. 37. 36. Ese. 26. 21.
[p] or, *place.*
† *one that causeth an exacter to pass over.*
‡ *angers.*
§ or, *place.*
‖ *associate themselves.*
[p] *rights.*
[e] ch. 8. 10.
† or, *whom she brought forth.*
[f] Fulfilled 171.
‡ or, *place,* or, *office.* ver. 20.
§ or, *into the peaceable and fat.*
‖ *vessels of their desire*
[p] *think his thoughts.*
[f] Fulfilled 170.
† or, *war.*
[h] ch. 9. 26. Is. 8. 8. Je. 46. 7, 8. 51. 42.
‡ or, *be stirred up again.*
§ *their hearts*

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COAT, HOSEN, AND HATS.—*From Sculptures at Persepolis.*—Dan. iii. 21.



DEATH, JUDGMENT, ETC.—*From the Great Sarcophagus in the Soane Museum*—Dan. v. 27.

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with great riches; and his heart *shall be* against the holy covenant: and he shall do *exploits*, and return to his own land.

29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

30 ¶ For [a] the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation [b] against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, [d] and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall place the abomination that [†] maketh desolate.

32 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he [‡] corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do *exploits*.

33 And [§] they that understand among the people shall instruct many: [i] yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many* days.

34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

35 And *some* of them of understanding shall fall, [o] to try [‖] them, and to purge, and to make *them* white, *even* to the time of the end: because *it is* yet for a time appointed.

36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall [p] exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, [r] nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

38 But [‡] in his [§] estate shall he honour the God of [‖] forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and [†] pleasant things.

39 Thus shall he do in the [‡] most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge *and* increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for [§] gain.

40 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him [u] like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

41 He shall enter also into the [‖] glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, [x] *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.

42 He shall [‡] stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.

44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the [•] glorious holy mountain; [e] yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

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[a] Nu. 24. 24. Je. 2. 10.
[•] *mountain of delight of holiness*, or, *goodly*.
[b] Fulfilled 169.
[c] 2 Th. 2. 8.
[d] Fulfilled 168.
[†] or, *abominateth*.
[e] Ro. 11. 28.
[‡] or, *cause to dissemble*.
[f] Ex. 32. 32. Lu. 10. 20. Re. 3. 5.
[g] Mal. 2. 7.
[h] Mat. 25. 46. Jno. 5. 29.
[i] He. 11. 35, &c.
[j] Ro. 9. 21.
[§] or, *teachers*
[k] Mat. 13. 43.
[l] Ja. 5. 20.
[m] 1 Co. 15. 41.
[n] Re. 22. 10.
[o] 1 Pe. 1. 7.
[‖] or, *by them*.
[p] 2 Th. 2. 4.
[•] *lip*.
[†] or, *from above*.
[r] 1 Ti. 4. 3.
[‡] *as for the almighty God, in his seat he shall honour, yea, he shall honour a god, &c.*
[§] or, *stead*.
[‖] *Mauzzim*, or, *gods protectors*, or, *munitions*.
[•] or, *part*.
[t] Lu. 21. 24.
[†] *things desired*. Is. 44. 9.
[‡] *fortresses of munitions*.
[§] *a price*.
[t] Zec. 13. 9.
[u] Is. 21. 1.
[v] Jno. 7. 17. 18. 37.
[‖] *land of delight*, or *ornament*, or, *goodly land*, ver. 16.
[•] *to set up the abomination, &c.*
[†] or, *abominateth*.
[w] Is. 11. 14.
[‡] *send*.
[§] or, *and*.
[y] Ps. 1. 5.

CHAP. XII.

AND at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation *even* to that same time: and at that time thy people [t] shall be delivered, every one that shall be found [f] written in the book.

2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, [h] some to everlasting life, and some to shame [j] *and* everlasting contempt.

3 And they that be [§] wise shall [k] shine as the brightness of the firmament; [l] and they that turn many to righteousness [m] as the stars for ever and ever.

4 But thou, O Daniel, [n] shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

5 ¶ Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the [•] bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.

6 And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* [†] upon the waters of the river, How long *shall it be to* the end of these wonders?

7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that *it shall be* for a time, times, and [•] an half; [s] and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these *things* shall be finished.

8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what *shall be* the end of these *things*?

9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

10 Many [t] shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but [v] the wise shall understand.

11 And from the time *that* the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and [•] the abomination that [†] maketh desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

12 Blessed *is* he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

13 But go thou thy way till the end *be*: [§] for thou shalt rest, [y] and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. III. 21.—COAT, HOSEN, AND HATS. The cut is from the carvings in the ruins of Persepolis, supposed to have been erected about the time of Daniel, and perhaps affords as near a representation as possible of the costume referred to. *Hats* mean a head covering, more properly *caps*; *coats*, rather *cloaks*; and *hose*, the *tunic*.

CH. V. 27.—DEATH, JUDGMENT, &c. The Egyptians believed that the actions of the dead were weighed before Osiris the supreme judge of souls, and that their condition was determined according to the preponderance of good or evil. Several of these scenes are before us, in which Osiris is prominent. The god is enthroned in a magnificent shrine, and holds in his hands the symbols of dominion and justice.

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HOSEA.

Here begin the twelve *minor* prophets, so called 'not because their writings are of any less authority, or usefulness, than those of the greater prophets, or as if these prophets were less in God's account, or might be so in ours than the other; but only because they are shorter and less in bulk than the other. We have reason to think that these prophets preached as much as the others, but they did not write so much, nor is so much of their preaching kept upon record.' The Jewish nation, Messiah, and latter days, are the subjects of this book. Hosea prophesied from about 790 years B. C. to about 734.

CHAP. I.

THE word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.

2 The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, [a] Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for [d] the land hath committed great whoredom, *departing* from the LORD.

3 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.

4 And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little *while*, and [f] I will ‡ avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel.

5 And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel.

6 ¶ And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And *God* said unto him, Call her name † Lo-ruhamah: for I will ‡ no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; § but I will utterly take them away.

7 But [i] I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the LORD their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen.

8 ¶ Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.

9 Then said *God*, Call his name † Loammi: for ye *are* not my people, and I will not be your *God*.

10 ¶ Yet [m] the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; [n] and it shall come to pass, *that* † in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my people, *there* it shall be said unto them, *Ye are* [o] the sons of the living God.

11 Then [r] shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great *shall be* the day of Jezreel.

CHAP. II.

SAY ye unto your brethren, ‡ Ammi; and to your sisters, [s] Ruhamah.

2 Plead with your mother, plead: for she [t] *is* not my wife, neither *am* I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts;

3 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was [u] born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.

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[a] Jno. 8. 41.
[b] Is. 1. 21.
[c] ch. 3. 1.
[d] *drinks.*
[e] Ps. 73. 27.
† *wall a wall.*
[f] Lu. 15. 18.
[g] 2 Ki. 10. 11.
‡ *visit.*
[h] Is. 1. 3.
§ *new wine.*
|| or, wherewith *they made Baal*, ch. 8. 4.
[i] or, *take away.*
† i. e. *not having obtained mercy.*
‡ *not add any more to.*
§ or, *that I should altogether pardon them.*
[k] Exo. 23. 29.
|| *folly*, or, *villany.*
[l] 2 Ki. 14. 25.
[m] 1 Ki. 12. 32.
[n] *make desolate.*
† i. e. *not my people.*
[o] Is. 5. 5.
[m] Ge. 32. 12.
[n] Ro. 9. 25, 26.
‡ or, *instead of that.*
[o] Jno. 1. 12.
1 Jno. 3. 1.
[p] Exe. 20. 33.
[r] Is. 11. 12, 13.
Je. 3. 18.
§ *to her heart*, or, *friendly.*
[s] Jos. 7. 26.
Is. 65. 10.
[t] Je. 2. 2.
[u] Ex. 15. 1.
|| i. e. *my people.*
[o] i. e. *having obtained mercy.*
† i. e. *my husband.*
‡ i. e. *my lord.*
[v] Is. 50. 1.
[w] Ex. 23. 13.
Ps. 16. 4.
Zec. 13. 2.
[y] Job 5. 23.
Exe. 34. 25.
[z] Exe. 16. 4.

4 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they *be* the [a] children of whoredoms.

5 For [b] their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give *me* my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my [c] drink.

6 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and † make a wall, that she shall not find her paths.

7 And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find *them*: then shall she say, [d] I will go and return to my first husband; for then *was it* better with me than now.

8 For she did not [f] know that I gave her corn, and § wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, ‖ *which* they prepared for Baal.

9 Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will [e] recover my wool and my flax *given* to cover her nakedness.

10 And now [h] will I discover her ‖ lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.

11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her [k] feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.

12 And I will [e] destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These *are* my rewards that my lovers have given me: and [l] I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them.

13 And I will visit upon her the days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgat me, saith the LORD.

14 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and [p] bring her into the wilderness, and speak § comfortably unto her.

15 And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and [s] the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in [t] the days of her youth, and [u] as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt.

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, *that* thou shalt call me † Ishi; and shalt call me no more ‡ Baali.

17 For [w] I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.

18 And in that day will I make a [y] covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven, and *with* the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and

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the battle out of the earth, and will make them to [b] lie down safely.

19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and [d] thou shalt know the LORD.

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, [f] I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth;

22 And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel.

23 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to *them which were* not my people, Thou *art* my people; and they shall say, *Thou art* my God.

CHAP. III.

THEN said the LORD unto me, [i] Go yet, love a woman beloved of *her* [k] friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons of I wine.

2 So I bought her to me for fifteen *pieces* of silver, and *for* an homer of barley, and an § half homer of barley:

3 And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide [m] for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for *another* man: so *will* I also *be* for thee.

4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days [o] without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without † an image, and without an [p] ephod, and *without* [r] teraphim:

5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and [s] seek the LORD their God, and [t] David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the [u] latter days.

CHAP. IV.

HEAR the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a [x] controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because *there is* no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and [a] blood toucheth blood.

3 Therefore [b] shall the land mourn, and [b] every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.

4 Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people *are* as they [c] that strive with the priest.

5 Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will † destroy thy mother.

6 ¶ My [e] people are ‡ destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

7 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: *therefore* will I change their glory into shame.

8 They eat up the sin of my people, and they § set their heart on their iniquity.

9 And there shall be, [i] like people, like priest: and I will ‖ punish them for their ways, and [k] reward them their doings.

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[a] Le. 26. 26.
[b] Le. 25. 5. Je. 23. 6.
[c] Ec. 7. 7. Is. 28. 7.
[d] Je. 31. 33. Jno. 17. 3.
[e] Is. 44. 20.
[f] Zec. 8. 12.
[g] Is. 1. 29. Eze. 6. 13.
[h] Am. 7. 17. Ro. 1. 28.
[i] or, *Shall I not, &c.*
[k] ch. 1. 2.
† or, *be punished.*
[l] Je. 3. 20.
‡ *grapes.*
§ *lethech.*
[m] Mat. 15. 14.
[n] De. 21. 13.
‖ *is gone.*
[o] *shields.* Ps. 74. 9.
[p] Je. 4. 11, 12.
[r] ch. 10. 3.
† *a standing,* or, *statue,* or, *pillar.* Is. 19. 19.
[s] Ex. 22. 6.
[t] Ju. 17. 5.
[u] Je. 30. 4, 5.
[x] Je. 30. 9. Eze. 34. 23, 24. 37. 22, 24.
[a] Is. 2. 2. Je. 30. 24. Eze. 38. 8, 16 Da. 2. 28.
[b] Is. 29. 15.
‡ or, *and, &c.*
[c] Is. 1. 18. 3. 13, 14. Je. 25. 31. Mi. 6. 2.
§ *correction.*
[y] Am. 3. 2.
[z] Eze. 23. 5, *&c.*
‖ *They will not give,* or, *Their doings will not suffer them.*
[a] *bloods.*
[a] Je. 12. 4. Am. 5. 16. 8. 8.
[b] Zep. 1. 3.
[c] De. 17. 12.
[d] Pr. 1. 28. Is. 1. 15. Jno. 7. 34.
† *cut off.*
[e] Is. 5. 13.
‡ *cut off.* Zec. 11. 8.
[f] Is. 10. 30.
[h] Phi. 3. 19.
§ *lift up their soul to.*
[i] Is. 24. 2. Je. 5. 31.
[k] De. 19. 14. 27. 17.
‖ *visit upon.*
[l] *cause to return.*
[l] De. 28. 33.

10 For [e] they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.

11 Whoredom and wine and new wine [e] take away the heart.

12 ¶ My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for [e] the spirit of whoredoms hath caused *them* to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.

13 They [g] sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof *is* good: [h] therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.

14 [g] I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people *that* doth not understand shall fall.

15 ¶ Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, *yet* let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Beth-aven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.

16 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.

17 Ephraim *is* joined to idols: [i] let him alone.

18 Their drink ‖ is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her [e] rulers *with* shame do love, Give ye.

19 The [m] wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

CHAP. V.

HEAR ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment *is* toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor.

2 And the revolters are [e] profound to make slaughter, ‡ though I *have been* a § rebuker of them all.

3 I [y] know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, [z] thou committest whoredom, *and* Israel is defiled.

4 ‖ They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms *is* in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD.

5 And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them.

6 They [d] shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not find *him;* he hath withdrawn himself from them.

7 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall [f] a month devour them with their portions.

8 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, *and* the trumpet in Ramah: [g] cry aloud *at* Beth-aven, after thee, O Benjamin.

9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be.

10 The princes of Judah were like them that [k] remove the bound: *therefore* I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.

11 Ephraim *is* [l] oppressed *and* broken

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in judgment, because he willingly walked after [a] the commandment.

12 Therefore *will I be* unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah [b] as [c] rottenness.

13 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah *saw* his wound, then went Ephraim [d] to the Assyrian, and sent † to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.

14 For *I will be* unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: [e] I, *even* I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue *him*.

15 ¶ I will go *and* return to my place, till [f] they § acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

CHAP. VI.

COME, and let us return unto the LORD: for [a] he hath torn, and [a] he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.

2 After [b] two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.

3 Then [c] shall we know, *if* we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter *and* former rain unto the earth.

4 ¶ O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your [d] goodness *is* as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.

5 Therefore have I hewed *them* [e] by the prophets; I have slain them by [f] the words of my mouth: ‡ and thy judgments *are as* the light *that* goeth forth.

6 For I desired [g] mercy, and not sacrifice; and the [g] knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

7 But they like § men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.

8 Gilead *is* a city of them that work iniquity, *and is* [h] polluted with blood.

9 And as troops of robbers wait for a man, *so* [i] the company of priests murder in the way † by consent: for they commit ‖ lewdness.

10 I have seen [k] an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there *is* the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.

11 Also, O Judah, [l] he hath set an harvest for thee, [m] when I returned the captivity of my people.

CHAP. VII.

WHEN I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the § wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, *and* the troop of robbers ‖ spoileth without.

2 And they [a] consider not in their hearts *that* I *f* remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face.

3 They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies.

4 They *are* all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, ‡ *who* ceaseth from § raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.

5 In the day of our king the princes have made *him* sick with [b] bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

6 For they have § made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait:

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[a] 1 Ki. 12. 28. Mi. 6. 16.
[b] Pr. 12. 4.
[c] Fulfilled 773.
2 Ki. 15. 10, &c.
[d] or, *a worm.*
[e] Ps. 106. 35.
[f] 2 Ki. 15. 19.
† or, *to the king of Jareb*: or, *to the king that should plead.*
[f] La. 3. 10.
‡ *sprinkled.*
[g] Ps. 50. 22.
[h] Is. 9. 13.
[i] Le. 26. 40. Je. 29. 12, 13.
§ *be guilty.*
[k] 2 Ki. 17. 4.
[l] Eze. 12. 13.
[m] De. 32. 39.
[a] Je. 30. 17.
[b] 1 Co. 15. 4.
‖ *spoil.*
[c] Is. 54. 13.
[d] Mi. 6. 4.
[e] Ps. 79. 36.
[f] or, *mercy*, or, *kindness.*
† or, *chastened.*
[g] Le. 1. 10.
‡ He. 4. 12.
‡ or, *that thy judgments might be.*
[g] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Mat. 9. 13. 12. 7.
[a] Jno. 17. 3.
§ or, *Adam.* Job 31. 33.
‖ *the roof of thy mouth.*
[h] Je. 4. 13.
[h] or, *running for blood.*
[i] Je. 11. 9. Eze. 22. 25.
† *with one shoulder*, or, *to Shechem.*
[k] Tit. 1. 16.
‡ or, *enormity.*
[l] Je. 5. 30.
[m] 2 Ki. 15. 13, 17, 20, Shallum, Menahem, Pekahiah.
[a] Re. 14. 15.
[b] Ps. 128. 1.
§ *evils.*
‖ *strippeth.*
[a] *say not to.*
† Pr. 22. 8.
† or, *standing corn.*
‡ or, *the raiser will cease.*
§ or, *waking.*
‖ *loves.*
[b] or, *heat through wine.*
† or, *begin.*
‡ or, *in a little while*, Hag. 2. 6.
§ or, *applied.*

their baker sleepeth all the night; in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire.

7 They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings [a] are fallen: *there is* none among them that calleth unto me.

8 Ephraim, he [d] hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned.

9 Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth *it* not: yea, gray hairs are † here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.

10 And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and [b] they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this.

11 ¶ Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: [c] they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

12 When they shall go, [f] I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.

13 Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: ‖ destruction unto them! because they have transgressed against me: though [f] I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me.

14 And [g] they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they howled upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, *and* they rebel against me.

15 Though I have † bound *and* strengthened their arms, yet do they imagine mischief against me.

16 They return, *but* not to the most High: they are like a deceitful bow: their princes shall fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this *shall be* their derision in the land of Egypt.

CHAP. VIII.

SET the trumpet to ‖ thy mouth. *He shall come* † as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law.

2 Israel shall cry unto me, My God, [a] we know thee.

3 Israel hath cast off *the thing that is* good: the enemy shall pursue him.

4 They [a] have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew *it* not: of their silver and their gold have they made them idols, that they may be cut off.

5 ¶ Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast *thee* off; mine anger is kindled against them: how long *will it be* ere they attain to innocency?

6 For from Israel *was* it also: the workman made it; therefore it *is* not God: but the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.

7 For [f] they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no † stalk: the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

8 Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a vessel wherein is no pleasure.

9 For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself: Ephraim hath hired ‖ lovers.

10 Yea, though they have hired among the nations, now will I gather them, and they shall † sorrow ‡ a little for the burden of the king of princes.

11 Because Ephraim hath made many

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altars to sin, altars shall be unto him to sin.

12 I have written to him [a] the great things of my law, *but* they were counted as a strange thing.

13 †They sacrifice flesh *for* the sacrifices of mine offerings, and eat *it*; *but* the LORD accepteth them not; [b] now will he remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt.

14 For Israel hath forgotten [d] his Maker, and buildeth temples; and Judah hath multiplied fenced cities: but I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour the palaces thereof.

CHAP. IX.

REJOICE not, O Israel, for joy, as *other* people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward [f] upon every cornfloor.

2 The floor and the ‡ winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine shall fail in her.

3 They shall not dwell in the LORD's land; [g] but Ephraim shall return to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean *things* in Assyria.

4 They shall not offer wine *offerings* to the LORD, [i] neither shall they be pleasing unto him: [k] their sacrifices *shall be* unto them as the bread of mourners; all that eat thereof shall be polluted: for their bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.

5 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?

6 For, lo, they are gone because of [o] destruction: Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall bury them: † the pleasant *places* for their silver, nettles shall possess them: thorns *shall be* in their tabernacles.

7 The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are come; Israel shall know *it:* the prophet *is* a fool, [m] the ‡ spiritual man *is* mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.

8 The watchman of Ephraim *was* with my God: *but* the prophet *is* a snare of a fowler in all his ways, *and* hatred ‖ in the house of his God.

9 They have deeply corrupted *themselves*, as in the days [p] of Gibeah: *therefore* he will remember their iniquity, he will visit their sins.

10 I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree at her first time: *but* they went to Baal-peor, and separated themselves [r] unto *that* shame; [s] and *their* abominations were according as they loved.

11 *As for* Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the birth, and from the womb, and from the conception.

12 Though they bring up their children, yet [v] will I bereave them, *that there shall* not *be* a man *left:* yea, woe also to them when I [x] depart from them!

13 Ephraim, [y] as I saw Tyrus, *is* planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the murderer.

14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them [z] a ‡ miscarrying womb and dry breasts.

15 All their wickedness *is* in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house, I will love them no more: all their princes *are* revolters.

16 Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they bring forth, yet will I slay *even* [c] the beloved *fruit* of their womb.

17 My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations.

CHAP. X.

ISRAEL *is* † an [e] empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude of his fruit he hath increased the altars; according to the goodness of his land they have made goodly § images.

2 ‖ Their heart is [e] divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall [a]break down their altars, he shall spoil their images.

3 For now they shall say, We have no king, because we feared not the LORD; what then should a king do to us?

4 They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment springeth up [f] as hemlock in the furrows of the field.

5 The inhabitants of Samaria shall fear because of [h] the calves of Beth-aven: for the people thereof shall mourn over it, and § the priests thereof *that* rejoiced on it, for the glory thereof, because it is departed from it.

6 It shall be also carried unto Assyria *for* a present to king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel.

7 *As for* Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon the ‖ water.

8 The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed: the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars; [i] and they shall say to the mountains, Cover us; and to the hills, Fall on us.

9 O Israel, thou hast sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood: the battle in Gibeah against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.

10 *It* [k] *is* in my desire that I should chastise them; and the people shall be gathered against them, when § they shall bind themselves in their two furrows.

11 And Ephraim *is as* an heifer *that is* taught, *and* loveth to tread out *the corn;* but I passed over upon [l] her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride; Judah shall plow, *and* Jacob shall break his clods.

12 Sow [m] to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for *it is* time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

13 Ye [o] have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman spoiled [u] Beth-arbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon *her* children.

15 So shall Beth-el do unto you because of † your great wickedness: in a morning shall the king of Israel utterly be cut off.

CHAP. XI.

WHEN Israel *was* a child, then I loved him, and [c] called my [b] son out of Egypt.

2 *As* they called them, so they went from them: [c] they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.

3 I [d] taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that [e] I healed them.

B. C. 760.

[a] Ps. 119. 18.
[b] *the desires.* Ezek. 24. 21.
† or, *In the sacrifices of mine offerings they, &c.*
[b] Am. 3. 7.
‡ or, *a vine emptying the fruit which it giveth.*
[c] Nu. 2. 2.
[d] Ep. 2. 10.
§ *statues*, or, *standing images.*
‖ or, *He hath divided their heart.*
[e] Mat. 6. 24.
[a] *behead.*
† or, *in.*
‡ or, *winefat.*
[f] Ac. 8. 23.
[g] ch. 11. 5. Not into Egypt itself, but into anotherbondage as bad as that.
[h] 1 Ki. 12. 28.
§ or, *Chemarim*, 2 Ki. 23. 5.
[i] Je. 6. 20.
[k] De. 26. 14.
‖ *face of the water.*
[o] *spoil.*
† *the desire*, or, *their silver shall be desired, the nettle.*
[l] Lu. 23. 30.
‡ *man of the spirit.*
[m] Mi. 2. 11.
[n] De. 28. 63.
§ or, *I shall bind them for their two transgressions*, or, *in their two habitations.*
‖ or, *against.*
[o] Ju. 19. 22.
[c] *the beauty of her neck.*
[p] Pr. 18. 21.
[r] Ju. 6. 32.
[s] Ps. 81. 12.
[t] Ga. 6. 7, 8.
[u] 2 Ki. 18. 34.
[v] De. 28. 41, 62
[x] 1 Sa. 28. 15.
[y] Ezek. xxvi., xxviii.
† *the evil of your evil.*
[z] Lu. 23. 29.
‡ *womb that casteth the fruit.*
[a] Mat. 2. 15.
[b] Ex. 4. 22, 23.
[c] 2 Ki. 17. 16.
[d] De. 1. 31.
[e] Ex. 15. 26.

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4 I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love: and [a] I was to them as they that [b]take off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them.

5 ¶ He shall not return into the land of Egypt, [†] but the Assyrian shall be his king, because they refused to return.

6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and devour *them*, because of their own counsels.

7 And my people are bent to [c] backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, [‖] none at all would exalt *him*.

8 How [d] shall I give thee up, Ephraim? *how* shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as [e] Admah? *how* shall I set thee as Zeboim? mine heart is turned within me, my repentings are kindled together.

9 I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: [f] *for* I *am* God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.

10 They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.

11 They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD.

12 Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah yet ruleth with God, and is faithful with the [§] saints.

CHAP. XII.

EPHRAIM feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he daily increaseth lies and desolation; [i] and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into Egypt.

2 The [m] LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will [†] punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.

3 ¶ He took his brother [p] by the heel in the womb, and by his strength [r] he [§] had power with God:

4 Yea, he had power over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him *in* Beth-el, and there he spake with us;

5 Even the LORD God of hosts; the LORD *is* his memorial.

6 Therefore [u] turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment, and [v] wait on thy God continually.

7 ¶ *He is* [†] a merchant, the balances of deceit *are* in his hand: he loveth to [‡] oppress.

8 And Ephraim said, [w] Yet I am become rich, I have found me out substance: [§] *in* all my labours they shall find none iniquity in me [‖] that *were* sin.

9 And I *that am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt will yet make thee to dwell in tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feast.

10 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, by the [‡] ministry of the prophets.

11 *Is there* iniquity *in* Gilead? surely they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal; yea, their altars *are* as heaps in the furrows of the fields.

12 And Jacob [b] fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a wife, and for a wife he kept *sheep*.

13 And [b] by a prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preserved.

14 Ephraim provoked *him* to anger [‡] most bitterly: therefore shall he leave his [§] blood upon him, and his reproach shall his Lord return unto him.

CHAP. XIII.

WHEN Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but [d] when he offended in Baal, he died.

2 And now they [e] sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver, *and* idols according to their own understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen: they say of them, Let the [†] men that sacrifice [f] kiss the calves.

3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, [g] as the chaff *that* is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

4 Yet I *am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for *there is* no saviour beside me.

5 ¶ I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of [‡] great drought.

6 According [h] to their pasture, so were they filled; they were filled, and their heart was exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.

7 Therefore I will be unto them as a lion: as a leopard by the way will I observe *them*:

8 I will meet them as a bear *that is* bereaved *of her whelps*, and will rend the caul of their heart, and there will I devour them like a lion: the [‖] wild beast shall tear them.

9 ¶ O Israel, [m] thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me [e] *is* thine help.

10 [‡] I will be thy king: [e] where *is any other* that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges of whom thou saidst, Give me a king and princes?

11 I [e] gave thee a king in mine anger, and took *him* away in my wrath.

12 The [s] iniquity of Ephraim *is* bound up; his sin *is* hid.

13 The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: he *is* an unwise son; for he should not stay [‡] long in *the place of* the breaking forth of children.

14 I will ransom them from the [e] power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: [e] O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: [p] repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

15 ¶ Though [x] he be fruitful among *his* brethren, an east wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up: he shall spoil the treasure of all [e]pleasant vessels.

16 [†] Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.

CHAP. XIV.

O ISRAEL, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.

2 Take with you words, and turn to the

B. C. 740.

[a] Le. 26. 13.
[b] *lift up.*
[c] Ex. 11. 50, 51
[†] They became tributaries to Salmanasser, 738.
[‡] *with bitterness.*
[§] *bloods.*
[d] Jo. 3. 6, &c.
[‖] *together they exalted not.*
[d] 2 Ki. 17. 16.
[e] Je. 9. 7.
[e] *add to sin.*
[f] Ge. 19. 24, 25.
[†] or, *sacrificers of men.*
[g] 1 Ki. 19. 18.
[h] Is. 65. 8, 9.
[i] Da. 2. 35.
[‡] *droughts.*
[k] De. 8. 12, 14.
[§] or, *most holy.*
[l] 2 Ki. 17. 4.
[‖] *beast of the field.*
[m] Fr. 6. 32.
[n] Mi. 6. 2.
[e] *in thy help.*
[†] *visit upon.*
[‡] Rather, *Where is thy king?* King Hoshea being then in prison. 2 Ki. 17. 4.
[e] De. 32. 36.
[p] Ge. 25. 26.
[r] Ge. 32. 24, &c
[§] *was a prince*, or, *behaved himself princely.*
[s] 1 Sa. 8. 7.
[t] Job 14. 17.
[‖] *a time.*
[u] ch. 14. 1.
[e] *hand.*
[p] Ps. 37. 7.
[x] 1 Co. 15. 54, 55.
[†] or, *Canaan* Eze. 16. 3.
[y] Ro. 11. 29.
[‡] or, *deceive.*
[e] Ge. 48. 19.
[e] Re. 3. 17.
[§] or, *all my labours suffer me not*: he shall have *punishment of iniquity in whom is sin.*
[‖] *which.*
[e] *vessels of desire.* Na. 2. 9.
[†] Fulfilled, 721. 2 Ki. 17. 6.
[‡] *hand.*
[b] Ge. 29. 5.

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LORD: say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and [a] receive *us* graciously: so will we render the [b] calves of our lips.

3 Asshur [c] shall not save us; [d] we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, *Ye are* our gods: [e] for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.

4 ¶ I will heal their backsliding, I will love them [f] freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

5 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall [g] grow as the lily, and [‖] cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

6 His branches shall [*] spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

7 They [h] that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive *as* the corn, and [†] grow as the vine: the [‡] scent thereof *shall be* as the wine of Lebanon.

8 Ephraim *shall say*, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard *him*, and observed him: I *am* like a green fir tree. [i] From me is thy fruit found.

9 Who *is* wise, and he shall understand these *things*? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the LORD *are* right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.

B. C. 725.

[a] *or, give good.*
[b] Ho. 13. 15.
[c] Ps. 91. 1.
[d] Is. 31. 16.
[e] De. 17. 16.
[f] *or, blossom.*
[g] *or, memorial.*
[h] Ps. 68. 5.
[i] Ep. 1. 6.
[k] Ja. 1. 17.
[l] *or, blossom.*
[‖] *strike.*
[*] *go.*

JOEL.

The date of this prophesy is fixed by some from B. C. 667 to 660, and in the reign of Manasseh, but this is quite uncertain. Joel prophesied to Judah.

CHAP. I.

THE word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.

2 Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land. Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers?

3 Tell [a] ye your children of it, and *let* your children *tell* their children, and their children another generation.

4 [†] That [b] which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpiller eaten.

5 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine; [c] for it is cut off from your mouth.

6 For [d] a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, [e] whose teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.

7 He hath [m] laid my vine waste, and [‖] barked my fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast *it* away; the branches thereof are made white.

8 ¶ Lament [f] like a virgin girded with sackcloth for [g] the husband of her youth.

9 The meat offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house of the LORD; the priests, the LORD'S ministers, mourn.

10 The field is wasted, [h] the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: [n] the new wine is [†] dried up, the oil languisheth.

11 Be [*] ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, *for* the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is perished.

12 The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, *even* all the trees of the field, are withered: because [*] joy is withered away from the sons of men.

13 Gird [i] yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.

14 ¶ Sanctify [k] ye a fast, call [l] a [§] solemn assembly, gather the elders *and* [m] all the inhabitants of the land *into* the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD.

15 Alas [n] for the day! for [o] the day of the LORD *is* at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

16 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, *yea*, joy and gladness from the house of our God?

17 The [*] seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered.

18 How do [p] the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.

19 O LORD, [q] to thee will I cry: for [r] the fire hath devoured the [‡] pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.

20 The beasts of the field [s] cry also unto thee: for [t] the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

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[a] *grains.*
[b] Ps. 78. 4.
[c] Ho. 4. 3.
[†] *The residue of the palmerworm.*
[d] ch. 2. 25. De. 28. 38.
[e] Ps. 50. 15.
[f] Je. 9. 10.
[‡] *or, habitations.*
[g] Job 38. 41. Ps. 104. 21.
[h] Is. 33. 10.
[i] 1 Ki. 17. 7. 18. 5.
[k] Pr. 30. 25., 27.
[l] Re. 9. 6.
[m] Je. 4. 5.
[§] *or, cornet.*
[n] Is. 5. 6.
[o] Nu. 10. 5, 9.
[‖] laid *my fig tree for a barking.*
[*] Ob. 15. Zep. 1. 14, 15.
[p] Is. 22. 12.
[q] Pr. 2. 17.
[r] Je. 3. 4.
[s] Ex. 10. 14.
[t] Je. 12. 11.
[u] Is. 24. 7.
[*] *generation and generation.*
[†] *or, ashamed*
[v] Je. 14. 3, 4.
[w] Is. 51. 3.
[x] Zec. 7. 14.
[y] Re. 9. 9.
[z] Ps. 4. 7. Is. 9. 3. 26. 11. Je. 48. 33.
[a] Je. 4. 8.
[b] Je. 8. 21. La. 4. 6. Na. 2. 10.
[‡] *pot.*
[c] 2 Ch. 20. 3, 4.
[d] La. 2. 8.
[§] *or, day of restraint.*
[e] 2 Ch. 20. 13.
[f] Je. 30. 7.
[g] Is. 13. 6, 9.

CHAP. II.

BLOW [a] ye the [§] trumpet in Zion, and [‖] sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for [*] the day of the LORD cometh, for *it is* nigh at hand;

2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; [b] there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, *even* to the years of [*] many generations.

3 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land *is* as [c] the garden of Eden before them, [†] and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

4 The appearance of them *is* as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run.

5 Like [d] the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: [e] all faces shall gather [‡] blackness.

7 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march *every* one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

8 Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path:

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and *when* they fall upon the [o] sword, they shall not be wounded.

9 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall [c] enter in at the windows [d] like a thief.

10 The [e] earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: [f] the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp *is* very great: [g] for *he is* strong that executeth his word: for the [m] day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

12 ¶ Therefore also now, saith the LORD, [n] turn ye *even* to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

13 And [o] rend your heart, and not [p] your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

14 Who knoweth *if* he will return and repent, and leave [q] a blessing behind him; *even* a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?

15 ¶ Blow [r] the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:

16 Gather the people, [s] sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, [t] gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: [u] let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep [v] between the porch and the altar, and let them say, [w] Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should [x] rule over them: [y] wherefore should they say among the people, Where *is* their God?

18 ¶ Then will the LORD [z] be jealous for his land, [a] and pity his people.

19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you [b] corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:

20 But [c] I will remove far off from you [d] the northern *army*, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath [‖] done great things.

21 ¶ Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

22 Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for [e] the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.

23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and [f] rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you [†] the former rain [‡] moderately, and he will cause to come down for you [g] the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first *month*.

24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.

25 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

26 And ye shall [h] eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wondrously

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[o] or, *dart.*
[m] Le. 26. 11, 12.
[b] Is. 45. 5.
[c] Je. 9. 21.
[d] Jno. 10. 1.
[e] Ps. 18. 7.
[f] Is. 24. 23. Eze. 32. 29. Ac. 2. 17.
[g] Mat. 24. 29.
[h] Zec. 12. 10. Jno. 7. 39.
[i] Ac. 21. 9.
[k] Je. 30. 34. Re. 18. 8.
[l] 1 Co. 12. 13. Ga. 3. 26. Col. 3. 11.
[m] Je. 30. 7. Am. 5. 18. Zep. 1. 15.
[n] Mat. 24. 29.
[o] Ho. 14. 1.
[p] Is. 13. 9, 10. Re. 6. 12.
[q] Mal. 4. 5.
[r] Ps. 81. 17.
[s] Ge. 37. 34.
[t] Ne. 10. 13.
[u] Ob. 17.
[v] Ro. 11. 26.
[w] Ro. 9. 27. 11. 5, 7.
[x] Hag. 2. 19.
[y] Nu. 10. 3.
[z] Je. 30. 3.
[a] Eze. 38. 14.
[b] Ex. 19. 10, 22
[c] 2 Ch. 20. 13.
[d] Zec. 14. 2, 4.
[e] 2 Ch. 20. 26.
[f] 1 Co. 7. 5.
[g] Is. 66. 16. Eze. 38. 22.
[h] Mat. 23. 35.
[i] Ex. 32. 11, 12.
[k] Ob. 11. Na. 3. 10.
[†] or, *use a by-word against them.*
[l] Ps. 62. 10. 115. 2.
[m] Am. 1. 6, 9.
[n] Zec. 1. 14.
[o] De. 32. 35. Is. 60. 10.
[p] Mal. 3. 10, 12.
[‡] *desirable.*
[q] Da. 11. 38.
[r] Ex. 10. 19.
[s] Je. 1. 14.
[§] *sons of the Grecians.*
[t] Je. 25. 6.
[‖] *magnified to do.*
[u] ch. 1. 19.
[v] Is. 8. 9, 10.
[w] *Sanctify.*
[x] Is. 61. 10.
[†] or, *a teacher of righteousness.*
[‡] *according to righteousness.*
[y] Mi. 4. 3.
[z] Je. 3. 7.
[§] or, *scythes.*
[‖] or, *the LORD shall bring down.*
[a] Ps. 103. 20.
[b] Ps. 22. 26.
[c] Mat. 13. 39.

with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

27 And ye shall know that I *am* [a] in the midst of Israel, and *that* [b] I *am* the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.

28 ¶ And [f] it shall come to pass afterward, *that* I [k] will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and [i] your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

29 And also upon [l] the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

30 And [m] I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

31 The [n] sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, [r] before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

32 And it shall come to pass, *that* [w] whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for [y] in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in [z] the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

CHAP. III.

FOR, behold, [a] in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,

2 I [d] will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into [e] the valley of Jehoshaphat, and [g] will plead with them there for my people and *for* my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

3 And they have [i] cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink.

4 Yea, and what have ye to do with me, [m] O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly *and* speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head;

5 Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my goodly [‡] pleasant things:

6 The children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto the [§] Grecians, that ye might remove them far from their border.

7 Behold, [t] I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon your own head:

8 And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

9 ¶ Proclaim [u] ye this among the Gentiles; [v] Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up:

10 Beat [y] your plowshares into swords, and your [§] pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I *am* strong.

11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither [‖] cause [w] thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.

12 Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about.

13 Put [z] ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press

[a] Ps. 46. 5. Eze. 48. 35.
[b] Ex. 29. 46. Is. 49. 23. Eze. 20. 44.
[d] Is. 66. 18. Zep. 3. 8. Zec. 12. 3. 14. 2.
[e] 2 Ch. 20. 26.
[g] Is. 66. 16. Eze. 38. 22.
[i] Ob. 11. Na. 3. 10.
[m] Am. 1. 6, 9.
[t] Je. 16. 15. 23. 8.
[u] Ro. 10. 18.
[v] Je. 6. 4. 51. 27, 28.
[y] Mi. 4. 3.
[§] or, *scythes.*
[‖] or, *the LORD shall bring down.*
[w] Ps. 103. 20.
[z] Re. 14. 15.

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is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness *is* great.

14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of [a] decision: for the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision.

15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: [b] but the LORD *will be* the [‡] hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

17 So shall ye know that I *am* the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, [c] my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be [‖] holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

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[a] or, *conclusion, or, threshing.*
[b] Ge. 49. 10. Ps. 46. 4. Re. 22. 1.
[c] Is. 19. 1, &c.
[‡] Is. 51. 5, 6.
[‡] *place of repair, or, harbour.*
[§] or, *abide.*
[d] Da. 11. 45.
[‖] *holiness.*
[e] or, *even I the LORD that.*
[e] Re. 21. 3.

18 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall [†] flow with waters, and [a] a fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

19 Egypt [b] shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence *against* the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land.

20 But Judah shall [§] dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

21 For I will cleanse their blood *that* I have not cleansed: [c] for [d] the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

AMOS.

Amos was a herdsman, but rural employments were in his time honourable. He was not of the schools of the prophets. He was a native of Tekoa, a city in the tribe of Judah, but prophesied to Israel a. c. 809 to 758. He was contemporary with Isaiah, Hosea, and Joel. Israel's captivity, the judgment of surrounding nations, and Messiah's kingdom, are the subjects of his prophecies.

CHAP. I.

THE words of Amos, [a] who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the [b] earthquake.

2 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.

3 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of [c] Damascus, [†] and for four, I will not [§] turn away *the punishment* thereof; [d] because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron:

4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Ben-hadad.

5 I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from [‖] the plain of Aven, and him that holdeth the sceptre from [e] the house of Eden: and [f] the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto Kir, saith the LORD.

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of [g] Gaza, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they carried [†] away captive the whole captivity, to deliver *them* up to Edom:

7 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof:

8 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from Ashkelon, and I will [m] turn mine hand against Ekron: and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, saith the Lord GOD.

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of [n] Tyrus, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, and remembered not the [‡] brotherly covenant:

10 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.

11 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; [o] For three

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[a] ch. 7. 14.
[b] Ge. 27. 41. De. 23. 7. Mal. 1. 2.
[c] *corrupted his compassions.*
[c] Zec. 14. 5.
[d] Is. 49. 1, 2.
[e] Is. 8. 4.
[†] or, *yea, for four.*
[‡] or, *divided the mountains.*
[§] or, *convert it, or, let it be quiet.* ver. 6, &c.
[f] 2 Ki. 10. 33.
[‖] or, *Bikath-aven.*
[g] or, *Bethedem.*
[h] Fulfilled, 2 Ki. 16. 9.
[i] Is. XV. XVI. Je. XLVIII
[k] Is. 14. 29.
[l] 2 Ki. 3. 27.
[†] or, *them away with an entire captivity.* 2 Ch. 21. 16.
[m] Nu. 24. 17. Je. 48. 7.
[n] Ps. 81. 14.
[o] Le. 26. 14, 15. Da. 9. 11.
[p] Is. 23. 15. Re. 1. 25.
[r] Eze. xxvi.. xxviii.
[‡] *covenant of brethren.* 2 Sa. 5. 11.
[s] Is. 29. 21.
[t] Is. 21. 11.

transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because he did pursue [p] his brother with the sword, and [o] did cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his wrath for ever:

12 But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.

13 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of [r] the children of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have [†] ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:

14 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of [s] Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:

15 And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, saith the LORD.

CHAP. II.

THUS saith the LORD; For three transgressions of [t] Moab, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because he [t] burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:

2 But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kirioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, *and* with the sound of the trumpet:

3 And I will cut off [m] the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.

4 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; [o] because they have despised the law of the LORD, and have not kept his commandments, and [p] their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked:

5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because [o] they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes;

7 That pant after the dust of the earth

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on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: [o] and a man and his father will go in unto the *same* [†] maid, [b] to profane my holy name:

8 And they lay *themselves* down upon clothes laid to pledge [c] by every altar, and they drink the wine of [‡] the condemned *in* the house of their god.

9 ¶ Yet destroyed I the [d] Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks: yet I [e] destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.

10 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.

11 And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. *Is it* not even thus, O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD.

12 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophesy not.

13 Behold, [o] I [f] am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed *that is* full of sheaves.

14 Therefore [g] the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, [h] neither shall the mighty deliver [†] himself:

15 Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and *he that is* swift of foot shall not deliver *himself*: neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver himself.

16 And *he that is* [§] courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, saith the LORD.

CHAP. III.

HEAR this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,

2 You [m] only have I known of all the families of the earth: [n] therefore I will [‡] punish you for all your iniquities.

3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

4 Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion [§] cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?

5 Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin *is* for him? shall *one* take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not [‖] be afraid? [r] shall there be evil in a city, and [†] the LORD hath not done *it*?

7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but [s] he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, [u] who can but prophesy?

9 ¶ Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and the [‖] oppressed in the midst thereof.

10 For they [v] know not to do right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and [o] robbery in their palaces.

11 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [w] An adversary *there shall be* even round about the land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.

12 Thus saith the LORD; As the shepherd [o] taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear; so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, and *in* Damascus *in* a couch.

13 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD, the God of hosts,

14 That in the day that I shall [‖] visit the transgressions of Israel upon him I will also visit the altars of Beth-el: and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the ground.

15 And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD.

CHAP. IV.

HEAR this word, ye kine of Bashan, that *are* in the mountain of Samaria, which oppress the poor, which crush the needy, which say to their masters, Bring, and let us drink.

2 The Lord GOD hath sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall come upon you, that he will take you away with hooks, and your posterity with fishhooks.

3 And [i] ye shall go out at the breaches, every *cow at that which is* before her; and ye shall cast [‡] *them* into the palace, saith the LORD.

4 ¶ Come to Beth-el, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression; and bring your sacrifices every morning, *and* your tithes after [‡] three years:

5 And [o] offer [k] a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim *and* publish [l] the free offerings: [m] for [†] this liketh you, O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

6 ¶ And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, *and* want of bread in all your places: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

7 And also I have withholden the rain from you, when *there were* yet three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city: one piece was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered.

8 So two *or* three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not satisfied: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

9 I [p] have smitten you with blasting and mildew: [o] when your gardens and your vineyards and your fig trees and your olive trees increased, the palmerworm devoured *them*: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

10 I have sent among you the pestilence [‡] after [t] the manner of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, [§] and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

11 I have overthrown *some* of you, as God overthrew [v] Sodom and Gomorrah, [x] and ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: *and* because I will do this unto thee, [z] prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

13 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the [†] wind, [a] and declareth unto man what *is* his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and tread-

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[o] *deliver eth.*
[n] Exe. 22. 11.
[†] or, *young woman.*
[b] Ro. 2. 24.
[‡] or, *on the bed's feet.*
[c] 1 Co. 8. 10.
[§] or, *such as have fined, or mulcted.*
[d] Nu. 21. 24.
[‖] or, *punish Israel for.*
[e] Is. 5. 24.
[o] or, *I will press your place, as a cart full of sheaves presseth.*
[f] Is. 1. 14.
[g] Je. 9. 23.
[h] Ps 33.16,17.
[i] Exe.12.5,12
[†] *his soul*, or, *life.*
[‡] or, *away the things of the palace.*
[§] *strong of his heart.*
[‖] *three years of days.*
[o] *after by burning.*
[k] Le. 7. 13. 23. 17.
[l] Le.22.18,21. De. 12. 6.
[m] Ps. 81. 12.
[†] *so ye love.*
[n] Ps. 147. 20.
[o] De. 9. 12. Mat. 11. 22. Lu. 12. 47. Ro. 2. 9. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[‡] *visit upon.*
[§] *give forth his voice.*
[p] De. 28. 22.
[‖] or, *run together.*
[r] Is. 45. 7.
[o] or, *the multitude of your gardens, &c. did the palmerworm.*
[†] or, *shall not the LORD do somewhat?*
[s] Ge. 18. 17. Jno. 15. 15.
[‡] or, *in the way.*
[t] Ex. 12. 29. Ps. 78. 50.
[u] Ac. 4. 20,29. 1 Co. 9. 16.
[§] *with the captivity of your horses.*
[‖] 2 Ki. 13. 7.
[v] Ge.19.24,25
[‖] or, *oppressions.*
[x] Jude 23.
[y] Je. 4. 22.
[o] or, *spoil.*
[z] 1 Ki. 17. 3,5.
[a] Ps.14.31,32
[†] or, *spirit.*
[b] Ps. 139. 2.

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eth upon the high places of the earth, [a] The LORD, The God of hosts, *is* his name.

CHAP. V.

HEAR ye this word which I [b] take up against you, *even* a lamentation, O house of Israel.

2 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her land; *there is* none to raise her up.

3 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The city that went out *by* a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth *by* an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel.

4 ¶ For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, [c] Seek ye me, *and* ye shall live:

5 But seek not Beth-el, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and [d] Beth-el shall come to nought.

6 Seek the LORD, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour *it*, and *there be* none to quench *it* in Beth-el.

7 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth,

8 *Seek him* that maketh the [e] seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, [m] and maketh the day dark with night: that [n] calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name:

9 That strengtheneth the [‡]spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.

10 They [r] hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they [s] abhor him that speaketh uprightly.

11 Forasmuch therefore as your treading *is* upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wheat: [t] ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted [‡] pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.

12 For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins: they afflict the just, they take a [§] bribe, and they [y] turn aside the poor in the gate *from their right*.

13 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it *is* an evil time.

14 Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, [a] as ye have spoken.

15 Hate [b] the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: [c] it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.

16 Therefore the LORD, the God of hosts, the Lord, saith thus; Wailing *shall be* in all streets; and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and [d] such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.

17 And in all vineyards *shall be* wailing: for [e] I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.

18 Woe [f] unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end *is* it for you? [h] the day of the LORD *is* darkness, and not light.

19 As [i] if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

20 *Shall* not the day of the LORD *be* darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it?

21 ¶ I [m] hate, I despise your feast days,

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[a] Is. 47. 4. Jo. 10. 16.
[*] or, *smell your holy days.*
[b] Jo. 7. 29. Eze. 19. 1.
[†] or, *thank offerings.*
[‡] *roll.*
[c] Is. 43. 22. Ac. 7. 42, 43.
[§] or, *Siccuth your king.*
[d] 1 Ki. 11. 33.
[e] 2 Ch. 15. 2. Jo. 29. 13.
[f] Is. 55. 3.
[g] 2 Ki. 17. 6.
[h] Ho. 4. 15. 10. 8.
[i] Lu. 6. 24.
[‖] or, *secure.*
[k] Ex. 19. 5.
[l] Job 9. 9. 38. 31.
[m] Ps. 104. 20.
[n] Job 38. 34.
[o] Eze. 12. 27.
[p] Ps. 94. 20.
[†] or, *habitation.*
[‡] *spoil.*
[§] or, *abound with superstition.*
[r] Is. 29. 21.
[‖] or, *quaver.*
[s] Is. 5. 18.
[t] 1 Ki. 22. 8.
[u] 1 Ch. 23. 5.
[*] or, *in bowls of wine.*
[y] De. 28. 30, 38, 39. Mi. 6. 15. Zep. 1. 13. Hag. 1. 6.
[x] Ge. 37. 26.
[†] *breach.*
[‡] *vineyards of desire.*
[§] or, *ransom.*
[y] Is. 29. 21.
[z] Jo. 51. 14. He. 6. 13, 17.
[‖] *the fulness thereof.*
[a] Mi. 3. 11.
[b] Ps. 34. 14. 97. 10. Ro. 12. 9.
[c] Ex. 32. 30. 2 Ki. 19. 4. Joel 2. 14.
[*] or, *they will not,* or, *have not.*
[d] Je. 9. 17. Ez. 12. 12.
[e] Ex. 11. 12.
[†] or, *droppings.*
[f] 2 Pe. 3. 4.
[g] Ho. 10. 4.
[h] Zep. 1. 15.
[i] Je. 48. 44.
[k] Jo. 5. 15.
[l] Nu. 24. 8. 1 Ki. 8. 65.
[m] Pr. 21. 27. Is. 1. 11-16.
[‡] or, *valley.*

and I will not [*] smell in your solemn assemblies.

23 Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept *them*: neither will I regard the [†] peace offerings of your fat beasts.

23 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

24 But let judgment [‡] run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

25 Have [*] ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel?

26 But ye have borne [§] the tabernacle [d] of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves.

27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity [e] beyond Damascus, saith the LORD, whose name *is* The God of hosts.

CHAP. VI.

WOE [f] to them *that are* [‖] at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, *which are* named [*] chief [h] of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

2 Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: *be they* better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border?

3 Ye that [i] put far away the evil day, and cause [p] the [†] seat of violence to come near;

4 That lie upon beds of ivory, and [§] stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;

5 That [‖] chant [r] to the sound of the viol, *and* invent to themselves instruments of musick, [s] like David;

6 That drink [*] wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: [t] but they are not grieved for the [†] affliction of Joseph.

7 ¶ Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.

8 The [u] Lord GOD hath sworn by himself, saith the LORD the God of hosts, I abhor the excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city with all [‡] that is therein.

9 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die.

10 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that *is* by the sides of the house, *Is there* yet *any* with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold thy tongue: for [*] we may not make mention of the name of the LORD.

11 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with [†] breaches, and the little house with clefts.

12 ¶ Shall horses run upon the rock? will *one* plow *there* with oxen? [‡] for ye have turned judgment into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into hemlock:

13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength?

14 But, behold, [k] I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the [‡] entering in of Hemath unto the [‡] river of the wilderness.

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CHAP. VII.

THUS hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed † grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it *was* the latter growth after the king's mowings.

2 And it came to pass, *that* when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: ‖ by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is* small.

3 The / LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

4 ¶ Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.

5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is* small.

6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

7 ¶ Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the Lord stood upon a wall *made* by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

8 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the Lord, Behold, / I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: ᵐ I will not again pass by them any more:

9 And ⁿ the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and ᵖ I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.

10 ¶ Then Amaziah ᵍ the priest of Bethel sent to ʳ Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words.

11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land.

12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

13 But ˢ prophesy not again any more at Beth-el: for it *is* the king's ‡ chapel, and it *is* the § king's court.

14 ¶ Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I *was* no prophet, neither *was* I ᵗ a prophet's son; but ᵘ I *was* an herdman, and a gatherer of † sycomore fruit:

15 And the LORD took me ‡as I followed the flock, and the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel.

16 ¶ Now therefore hear thou the word of the LORD: Thou sayest, Prophesy not against Israel, and drop not *thy word* against the house of Isaac.

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; ᵛ Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.

CHAP. VIII.

THUS hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit.

2 And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said the LORD unto me, ʷ The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will not again pass by them any more.

3 And the songs of the temple shall ‖ be howlings in that day, saith the Lord GOD: *there shall be* many dead bodies in every place; ˣ they shall cast *them* forth ° with silence.

4 ¶ Hear this, O ye that ʸ swallow up the needy, even to make the poor of the land to fail,

5 Saying, When will the ‡ new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and ᶻ the sabbath, that we may § set forth wheat, ᵃ making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and ᵇ falsifying the balances by deceit?

6 That we may buy the poor for ᶜ silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes; *yea*, and sell the refuse of the wheat?

7 The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely ᵈ I will never forget any of their works.

8 Shall ᵉ not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise up wholly as a flood; and it shall be cast out and drowned, ᶠ as *by* the flood of Egypt.

9 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, ᵍ that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:

10 And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; and I will bring up sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head; ʰ and I will make it as the mourning of an only *son*, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

11 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but ⁱ of hearing the words of the LORD:

12 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find *it*.

13 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.

14 They that ʲ swear by ᵏ the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The † manner of Beer-sheba liveth; even they shall fall, and never rise up again.

CHAP. IX.

I SAW the Lord standing upon the altar: and he said, Smite the ‖ lintel of the door, that the posts may shake: and ° cut ˡ them in the head, all of them; and I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be delivered.

2 Though ᵐ they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; ⁿ though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:

3 And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them:

4 And though they go into captivity before their enemies, ᵒ thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.

5 And the Lord GOD of hosts *is* he that toucheth the land, and it shall / melt, and all that dwell therein shall mourn: and it shall rise up wholly like a flood; and shall be drowned, as *by* the flood of Egypt.

6 *It is* he that buildeth his ‖ stories ᵖ in the heaven, and hath founded his ° troop

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ᵃ ch. 6. 9, 10.
° *be silent.*
† or, *green worms.*
ᵇ Ps. 14. 4. Pr. 30. 14.
‡ *or, month.*
ᶜ Ne. 13. 15, 16
§ *open.*
ᵈ Mi. 6. 10, 11.
‖ or, *who of* (or, for,) *Jacob shall stand?*
° *perverting the balances of deceit.*
ᵉ ch. 2. 6.
ᶠ De. 32. 36. Jon. 3. 10. Ja. 5. 16.
ᵍ Ho. 8. 13. 9. 9.
ʰ Ho. 4. 3.
ⁱ ch. 9. 5.
ʲ Job 5. 14. Is. 13. 10. 59. 9, 10. Je. 15. 9. Mi. 3. 6.
ᵏ 2 Ki. 21. 13. Is. 28. 17. 34. 11. La. 2. 8.
ˡ ch. 8. 2.
ᵐ Je. 7. 16.
ⁿ Je. 6. 26. Zec. 12. 10.
° Beer-sheba Ge. 26. 23. 46. 1.
ᵖ Fulfilled, 2 Ki. 14. 10.
ᵍ 1 Ki. 12. 32.
ʳ 1 Sa. 3. 1. Ps. 74. 9. Eze. 7. 26.
ˢ 2 Ki. 14. 23.
ᵗ Ho. 4. 15.
ᵘ De. 9. 21.
† *way.* Ac. 9. 2. 24. 14.
ᵛ ch. 2. 13.
‡ or, *sanctuary.*
§ *house of the kingdom.*
‖ or, *chapiter, or, knop*
ʷ 1 Ki. 20. 35.
ˣ ch. 1. 1. Zec. 13. 5.
° or, *wound them.*
ʸ Ps. 68. 21. Hab. 3. 13.
† or, *wild Ass.*
‡ *from behind.*
ᶻ Ps. 139. 8, &c.
ᵃ Job 20. 6.
ᵇ Is. 13. 16.
ᶜ La. 28. 33. De. 28. 65.
ᵈ Mi. 1. 4.
ᵉ Eze. 7. 2.
§ *howl.*
‖ *ascensions,* or, *spheres.*
ᵖ Ps. 104. 3, 13.
° or, *bundle.*

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in the earth; he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name.

7 *Are* ye not as children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of Israel? saith the LORD. Have not I brought up Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the Philistines from [c] Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir?

8 Behold, the [d] eyes of the Lord GOD *are* upon the sinful kingdom, and I [e] will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD.

9 For, lo, I will command, and I will [f] sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as *corn* is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least [g] grain fall upon the earth.

10 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.

11 ¶ In [h] that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and

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[e] *hedge*, or, *wall.*
[a] Ob. 19.
[b] Nu. 24. 18.
[†] *upon whom my name is called.*
[c] De. 2. 23.
[d] Le. 26. 5.
[e] Je. 30. 11. 31.35,36. Ob. 16, 17.
[‡] *draweth forth.*
[f] Joel 3. 18.
[§] or, *new wine.*
[g] Je. 30. 3.
[h] Is. 65. 21.
[i] Ac. 15. 16, 17

[e] close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old:

12 That [e] they may possess the remnant of [b] Edom, and of all the heathen, [†] which are called by my name, saith the LORD that doeth this.

13 Behold, [d] the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that [‡] soweth seed; [f] and the mountains shall drop [§] sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

14 And [g] I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and [h] they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

15 And I will plant them upon their land, and [i] they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.

OBADIAH.

Supposed to have flourished between the taking of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar, B.C. 588, and the destruction of Idumea by the same monarch, a few years afterwards.

CHAP. I.

THE vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD [a] concerning Edom; We have heard a rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.

2 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly despised.

3 ¶ The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts [d] of the rock, whose habitation *is* high; [e] that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

4 Though [f] thou exalt *thyself* as the eagle, and though thou [g] set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.

5 If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off!) would they not have stolen till they had enough? if the grapegatherers came to thee, would they not leave [§] *some* grapes?

6 How are *the things* of Esau searched out! *how* are his hidden things sought up!

7 All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee *even* to the border: the men [b] that were at peace with thee have deceived thee, *and* prevailed against thee; [§] *they that eat* thy bread have laid a wound under thee: [k] *there is* none understanding [‖] in him.

8 Shall [l] I not in that day, saith the LORD, even destroy the wise *men* out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau?

9 And thy [m] mighty *men*, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.

10 ¶ For *thy* [n] violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.

11 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers [o] carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou *wast* as one of them.

12 But [‡] thou shouldest not have looked

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[a] Ps. 37. 13. 137. 7.
[b] Is. 21. 11.
[c] Job 31. 29.
[d] *magnified thy mouth.*
[e] 2 Ki. 14. 7.
[†] or, *forces.*
[f] Re. 18. 7.
[g] Job 20. 6. Am. 9. 2.
[§] Hab. 2. 9.
[‡] or, *shut up.* Ps. 31. 8.
[h] Hab. 2. 8.
[i] 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[§] or, *gleanings.*
[‖] or, *rap up.*
[k] *of thy peace*
[†] or, *they that escape.*
[‡] or, *it shall be holy.* Joel 3. 17.
[§] the men *of thy bread.*
[k] Is. 19. 11, 12.
[‖] or, *of it.*
[l] Job 5. 12, 13.
[m] Ps. 76. 5.
[n] Ge. 27. 11. Ps. 137. 7.
[o] 1 Ki. 17. 9, 10.
[o] or, *carried away his substance.*
[†] or, shall possess *that which is in Sepharad.*
[p] 1 Ti. 4. 16. Ja. 5. 20.
[‡] or, *do not behold, &c.*
[r] Ps. 22. 28. Da. 7. 14, 27. Lu. 1. 33. Re. 19. 6.

on [c] the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have [c] rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have [c] spoken proudly in the day of distress.

13 Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid *hands* on their [†] substance in the day of their calamity;

14 Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldest thou have [‡] delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress.

15 For the day of the LORD *is* near upon all the heathen: [k] as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head.

16 For [l] as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, *so* shall all the heathen drink continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall [§] swallow down, and they shall be as though they had not been.

17 ¶ But upon mount Zion shall be [†] deliverance, and [‡] there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.

18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be *any* remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken *it.*

19 And *they of* the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and *they of* the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin *shall possess* Gilead.

20 And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel *shall possess* that of the Canaanites, *even* unto [o] Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, [†] which *is* in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south.

21 And [p] saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the [r] kingdom shall be the LORD's.

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JONAH.

Jonah is the oldest prophet extant. He prophesied in the reign of Jeroboam the second, king of Israel, B. C. 823. He was the only prophet sent to a distant city and people, to declare the Divine will.

CHAP. I.

NOW the word of the LORD came unto [a] Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,

2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that [b] great city, and cry against it; for [c] their wickedness is come up before me.

3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to [d] Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish [e] from the presence of the LORD.

4 ¶ But [f] the LORD ‖ sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was [g] like to be broken.

5 Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and [h] cast forth the wares that *were* in the ship into the sea, to lighten *it* of them. But Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.

6 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.

7 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us [i] cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil *is* upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.

8 Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil *is* upon us; What *is* thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what *is* thy country? and of what people *art* thou?

9 And he said unto them, I *am* an Hebrew; and I fear [k] the LORD, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry *land*.

10 Then were the men ‖ exceedingly afraid, and said unto him, Why hast thou done this? For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

11 ¶ Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be [l] calm unto us? for the sea [m] wrought, and was tempestuous.

12 And he said unto them, [n] Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest *is* upon you.

13 Nevertheless the men [o] rowed hard to bring *it* to the land; [p] but they could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.

14 Wherefore they cried unto the LORD, and said, We beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech thee, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.

15 So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea [q] ceased from her raging.

16 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and [r] offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and made vows.

17 ¶ Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And [s] Jonah was in the [t] belly of the fish three days and three nights.

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[a] Mat. 12. 40.
[t] *bowels.*
[b] 2 Ki. 14. 25. Mat. 12. 39, *Jonas.*
[c] Ge. 10. 11, 12
[d] Ge. 18. 20, 21 Ja. 5. 4. Re. 18. 5.
[e] Ps. 120. 1. 130. 1. 142. 1. La. 3. 55, 56.
† or, *out of mine.*
[f] Ps. 50. 15. 65. 2.
[g] Jos. 19. 46. Ac. 9. 36.
‡ or, *the grave.* Is. 14. 9.
[h] Ps. 88. 6.
[i] Ge. 4. 16.
[k] *heart.*
[l] Ps. 42. 7.
[m] Ps. 107. 25.
‖ *cast forth.*
[n] Ps. 31. 22.
[o] 1 Ki. 8. 38.
[p] *thought.*
[q] Ps. 69. 1. La. 3. 54.
[r] Ac. 27. 18, 19. 38.
† *cuttings off.*
[s] Ps. 16. 10.
‡ or, *the pit.*
[t] Ps. 18. 6.
[u] Pr. 16. 33.
[v] 2 Ki. 17. 15.
[w] Ps. 50. 14, 23. Ho. 14. 2. Ho. 13. 15.
[x] Ps. 3. 8.
§ or, *JEHOVAH.*
‖ *afraid with great fear.*
[a] *a city of God.* Ge. 30. 8. Ps. 36. 6. 80. 10.
† *silent from us.*
‡ *sword,* or, *grew more and more tempestuous.*
[y] Jno. 11. 50.
[z] De. 18. 22.
[a] La. 11. 22.
§ *digged.*
[b] Pr. 21. 30.
[c] Job 2. 8.
‖ *said.*
[d] *great men.*
† *stood.*
‡ *sacrificed a sacrifice unto the LORD, and vowed vows.*
[e] Is. 66. 6.
[f] Is. 59. 6.

CHAP. II.

THEN Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,

2 And said, I [a] cried † by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, [b] and he heard me; out of the belly of † hell cried I, *and* thou heardest my voice.

3 For [c] thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the [d] midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: [e] all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.

4 Then [f] I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again [g] toward thy holy temple.

5 The [h] waters compassed me about, *even* to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.

6 I went down to the † bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars *was* about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life [i] from † corruption, O LORD my God.

7 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the LORD: [k] and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple.

8 They that observe [l] lying vanities forsake their own mercy.

9 But I will [m] sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay *that* that I have vowed. [n] Salvation *is* of the LORD.

10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry *land*.

CHAP. III.

AND the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying,

2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.

3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was [o] an exceeding great city of three days' journey.

4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and [p] he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.

5 ¶ So the people of Nineveh [q] believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them.

6 For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered *him* with sackcloth, [r] and sat in ashes.

7 And he caused *it* to be proclaimed and ‖ published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his [s] nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water:

8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, [t] let them turn every one from his evil way, and from [u] the violence that *is* in their hands.

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9 Who [a] can tell *if* God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

10 ¶ And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did *it* not.

CHAP. IV.

BUT it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

2 And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, *was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art* a [b] gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.

3 Therefore [c] now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for *it is* better for me to die than to live.

4 ¶ Then said the LORD, [†] Doest thou well to be angry?

5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

B. C. 862.

[a] 2 Sa. 12 22. Joel 2. 14.
[b] *Kikajon*, or, *palmcrist.*
[†] *rejoiced with great joy.*
[‡] or, *silent.*
[§] or, *Art thou greatly angry?*
[b] Ex. 34. 6. Ps. 86. 5. Ro 5. 20, 21. Ep. 1. 7, 8.
[||] or, *I am greatly angry.*
[c] 1 Ki. 19. 4.
[•] or, *spared.*
[†] or, *Art thou greatly angry?*
[‡] *was the son of the night*
[d] De. 1. 39.

6 And the LORD God prepared a [•] gourd, and made *it* to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah [†] was exceeding glad of the gourd.

7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a [‡] vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, *It is* better for me to die than to live.

9 And God said to Jonah, [§] Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, [‖] I do well to be angry, *even* unto death.

10 Then said the LORD, Thou hast [•] had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which [‡] came up in a night, and perished in a night:

11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons [d] that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and *also* much cattle?

MICAH.

This prophet was contemporaneous with Isaiah and Hosea. His prophecies relate to Judah and Israel.

CHAP. I.

THE word of the LORD that came to [a] Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

2 Hear, [§] all ye people; hearken, O earth, and [‖] all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD [b] be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.

3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.

4 And [c] the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, *and* as the waters *that are* poured down [‡] a steep place.

5 For the transgression of Jacob *is* all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What *is* the transgression of Jacob? *is it* not Samaria? and what *are* the high places of Judah? *are they* not Jerusalem?

6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, *and* as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.

7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered *it* of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.

8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the [•] owls.

9 For [†] her wound *is* incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, *even* to Jerusalem.

10 ¶ Declare ye *it* not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of [§] Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.

11 Pass ye away, [•] thou [†] inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of [•] Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of [†] Beth-ezel; he shall receive of you his standing.

12 For the inhabitant of Maroth [‡] waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.

13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she *is* the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

14 Therefore shalt thou give presents [•] to Moresheth-gath: the houses of [†] Achzib *shall be* a lie to the kings of Israel.

15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: [§] he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.

16 Make thee [d] bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

B. C. 750.

[•] or, *the country of flocks.*
[a] Je. 26. 18.
[†] or, *a place near.*
[‡] or, *was grieved.*
[§] *ye people, all of them.*
[‖] *the fulness thereof.*
[b] Ps. 50. 7.
[c] Is. 64. 1..3.
[•] or, *for.*
[†] i. e. *a lie.*
[‡] *a descent.*
[§] or, *the glory of Israel shall come, &c.*
[d] Job 1. 20.
[•] Ho. 7. 6.
[f] Ge. 31. 29.
[‖] or, *defraud.*
[§] Ep. 5. 16.
[•] *daughters of the owl.*
[h] Hab. 2. 6.
[†] or, *she is grievously sick of her wounds.*
[i] 2 Sa. 1. 17.
[‡] *a lamentation of lamentations*
[§] i. e. *dust.*
[‖] or, *instead of restoring*
[•] or, *thou that dwellest fairly.*
[†] *inhabitress.*

CHAP. II.

WOE to them [e] that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because [f] it is in the power of their hand.

2 And they covet fields, and take *them* by violence; and houses, and take *them* away: so they [‖] oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

3 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: [§] for this time *is* evil.

4 ¶ In that day shall *one* [h] take up a parable against you, and [i] lament with [‡] a doleful lamentation, *and* say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed *it* from me! [‖] turning away he hath divided our fields.

5 Therefore thou shalt have none that

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shall [a] cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the LORD.

6 [b] Prophesy ye not, *say they to them that* prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, *that* they shall not take shame.

7 ¶ O *thou that art* named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the LORD ‡ straitened? *are* these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh § uprightly?

8 Even ‖ of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe [c] with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.

9 The † women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

10 Arise ye, and depart; for this *is* not *your* rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy *you*, even with a sore destruction.

11 If a man ‡ walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, *saying*, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.

12 ¶ I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together [d] as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: ‖ they shall make great noise by reason of *the multitude of* men.

13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and [e] their king shall pass before them, [m] and the LORD on the head of them.

CHAP. III.

AND I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; [f] *Is it* not for you to know judgment?

2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;

3 Who also [g] eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and [n] as flesh within the caldron.

4 Then [o] shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD [p] concerning the prophets that make my people err, that [q] bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and [r] he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him:

6 Therefore [s] night *shall be* unto you, [t] that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, † that ye shall not divine; [u] and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

7 Then shall the [x] seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their ‖ lips; [h] for *there is* no answer of God.

8 ¶ But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, [i] to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10 They build up Zion with § blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

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[a] De. 32. 8, 9.
[b] Is. 1. 23.
[c] *Drop, &c.* Exo. 21. 2. or, *Prophesy not as they prophesy.*
[d] Is. 63. 2.
Je. 7. 4.
Ro. 2. 17.
† *saying.*
‡ or, *shortened.*
[e] Je. 26. 18.
[f] Ps. 79. 1.
§ *upright.*
‖ *yesterday.*
[g] *over against a garment.*
[h] Is. 2. 2, &c.
Eze. 17. 22, 23.
† or, *wives.*
‡ or, *walk with the wind, and lie falsely.*
[i] Joel 3. 10.
[k] Je. 31. 10.
§ or, *scythes.*
[l] Eze. 36. 37.
[m] Ps. 72. 7.
[n] 1 Ki. 4. 25.
[o] Ho. 3. 5.
[p] Is. 52. 12.
[q] Je. 2. 11.
[r] Zec. 10. 12.
[s] Eze. 34. 16.
Zep. 3. 19.
[t] Je. 5. 4, 5.
[u] Ps. 147. 2.
[x] Eze. 34. 13.
‖ Ps. 14. 4.
[m] Is. 9. 6.
24. 23.
Da. 7. 14, 27.
Lu. 1. 33.
Re. 11. 15.
[n] Eze. 11. 3, 7.
‖ or, *Edar.*
Ge. 35. 21.
[o] Ps. 18. 41.
Pr. 1. 28.
Is. 1. 15.
Zec. 7. 13.
[p] Je. 6. 14.
[q] Is. 56. 10, 11.
Eze. 22. 25.
[r] Is. 13. 8.
21. 3.
Je. 30. 6.
50. 43.
[s] Mat. 7. 15.
[t] Exe. 13. 16, 18.
[u] Is. 8. 20, 22.
Zec. 13. 4.
[x] *from a vision.*
† *from divining.*
[a] Am. 8. 9.
[b] La. 2. 16.
[c] Ob. 12.
‡ *upper lip.*
[d] Ps. 74. 9.
[e] Is. 58. 1.
Ro. 11. 33.
[f] Is. 21. 10.
[g] Is. 58. 1.
[m] Is. 41. 15, 16.
Je. 51. 33.
[n] Da. 2. 44.
[o] Is. 18. 7.
23. 18.
60. 6, 9.
§ *bloods.*

11 The § heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: [a] yet will they lean upon the LORD, † and say, *Is* not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.

12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be [b] plowed *as* a field, [c] and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

CHAP. IV.

BUT [d] in the last days it shall come to pass, *that* the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into [e] plowshares, and their spears into § pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, [f] neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But [g] they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make *them* afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken *it*.

5 For [h] all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and [i] we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

6 In that day, saith the LORD, [k] will I assemble her that halteth, [l] and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD [m] shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

8 ¶ And thou, O tower of ‖ the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? [n] *is there* no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for [o] pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go *even* to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 ¶ Now [p] also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye [q] look upon Zion.

12 But they know not [r] the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them [s] as the sheaves into the floor.

13 Arise [m] and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt [n] beat in pieces many people: [o] and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

[a] Is. 56. 10, 11.
[b] Je. 26. 18.
[c] Je. 9. 11.
[d] Is. 2. 2, &c.
[e] Joel 3. 10.
[f] Is. 2. 4.
§ or, *scythes.*
[g] 1 Ki. 4. 25.
Ho. 3. 5.
Zec. 3. 10.
[h] Ps. 22. 27.
[i] Mi. 5. 4.
Zec. 10. 12.
[k] Eze. 34. 16.
Zep. 3. 19.
[l] Je. 31. 8.
[m] Lu. 1. 33.
Re. 11. 15.
‖ or, *Edar.*
Ge. 35. 21.
[n] Je. 8. 19.
[o] Is. 13. 8.
21. 3.
Je. 30. 6.
50. 43.
[p] Ps. 2. 1.
[q] Ob. 12.
[r] Is. 55. 8.
Ro. 11. 33.
[s] Is. 21. 10.
[m] Is. 41. 15, 16.
Je. 51. 33.
[n] Da. 2. 44.
[o] Is. 18. 7.
23. 18.
60. 6, 9.

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CHAP. V.

NOW gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall [b] smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

2 But thou, [c] Beth-lehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Judah, *yet* out of thee shall he come forth unto me *that is* to be *f* ruler in Israel; [d] whose goings forth *have been* from of old, from [e] everlasting.

3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time *that* she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

4 ¶ And he shall stand and † feed [h] in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now [m] shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

5 And this *man* [o] shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight † principal men.

6 And they shall † waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod || in the entrances thereof: thus shall he [s] deliver *us* from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.

7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people [t] as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.

8 ¶ And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of ‡ sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:

11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no *more* soothsayers:

13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy † standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.

14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy § cities.

15 And I will [x] execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

CHAP. VI.

HEAR ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou [a] before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

2 Hear ye, O mountains, [c] the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for [d] the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.

3 O my people, [e] what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

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[a] Ex. 12. 51.
[b] La. 3. 30. Mat. 5. 39. 27. 30.
[c] Mat. 2. 6. Jno. 7. 42.
[d] Nu. XXII ..XXIV.
[e] Nu. 25. 1.
[f] Ge. 49. 10. Is. 9. 6.
[g] Ju. 5. 11.
[h] Ps. 90. 2. Pr. 8. 22,23. Jno. 1. 1.
[i] *the days of eternity.*
† *sons of a year.*
[k] Ps. 50. 9.
‡ or, *rule.*
[l] Is. 40. 11.
[m] 2 Ki. 16. 3. Is. 7. 21. Eze. 23. 37.
§ *belly.*
[n] Lu. 1. 32.
[o] De. 10. 12. 1 Sa. 15. 22.
[p] Zee. 9. 10. Lu. 2. 14. Ep. 2. 14.
[q] Ge. 18. 19.
|| *humble thyself to walk.*
[r] or, *thy name shall see that which is.*
† *princes of men.*
‡ *eat up.*
§ or, *is there yet unto every man an house of the wicked.*
|| or, *with her own naked swords.*
[s] *measure of leanness.* Am. 8. 5.
[t] Pr. 11. 1.
[u] Lu. 1. 71.
† or, *be pure with, &c.*
[x] Ps. 110. 5.
[a] Le. 26. 16. Ps. 107. 17.
‡ or, *goats.*
§ or, *he doth much keep the, &c.*
[c] 1 Ki. 16. 25.
[d] 1 Ki. 16. 30, &c.
|| or, *an astonishment.*
[e] *the gatherings of summer.*
† or, *statues.*
[y] Ho. 9. 10.
‡ or, *godly,* or, *merciful*
§ or, *enemies*
[z] 2 Th. 1. 8.
[a] Hab. 3. 5.
|| *the mischief of his soul.*
[b] or, *with.*
[c] Is. 55. 13.
[d] Ho. 12. 2.
[e] Is. 1. 18. Ho. 4. 1.
[f] Je. 2. 5, 31.

4 For [a] I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember now what [d] Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from [e] Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know [f] the righteousness of the LORD.

6 ¶ Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, *and* bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves † of a year old?

7 Will [i] the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, *or* with ten thousands of rivers of oil? [k] shall I give my firstborn *for* my transgression, the fruit of my [§] body *for* the sin of my soul?

8 He hath [m] shewed thee, O man, what *is* good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but [n] to do justly, and to love mercy, and to [||] walk humbly with thy God?

9 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and [o] *the man of* wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 ¶ [§] Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the [o] scant measure [r] *that is* abominable?

11 Shall I † count *them* pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue [t] is deceitful in their mouth.

13 Therefore also will I [u] make *thee* sick in smiting thee, in making *thee* desolate because of thy sins.

14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down *shall be* in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and *that* which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.

15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.

16 [§] For [§] the statutes of [y] Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of [z] Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a [||] desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.

CHAP. VII.

WOE is me! for I am as [a] when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapegleanings of the vintage: *there is* no cluster to eat: [y] my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

2 The ‡ good *man* is perished out of the earth: and *there is* none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; [a] they hunt every man his brother with a net.

3 ¶ That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge *asketh* for a reward; and the great *man*, he uttereth [||] his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

4 The best of them [b] *is* as a brier: the most upright *is sharper* than a thorn hedge: the day of thy [c] watchmen *and* thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

5 ¶ Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

6 For the son dishonoureth the father,

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the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies *are* the men of his own house.

7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

8 ¶ Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: [e] when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, [b] the LORD *shall be* a light unto me.

9 I [d] will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, *and* I shall behold his righteousness.

10 ‡ Then *she that is* mine enemy shall see *it*, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now § shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.

11 *In* the day that thy [h] walls are to be built, *in* that day shall the decree be far removed.

12 *In* that day *also* [i] he shall come even to thee from Assyria, ‖ and *from* the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and *from* mountain to mountain.

13 [e] Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

14 ¶ [e] Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily *in* the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed *in* Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous *things*.

16 ¶ The nations [e] shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay *their* hand upon *their* mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like † worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.

18 Who [e] *is* a God like unto thee, that [f] pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? [g] he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy.

19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

20 Thou [k] wilt perform the truth to Jacob, *and* the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

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[e] or, *Rule*, Ps. 28. 9.
[a] Pr. 24. 16.
[b] Ps. 27. 1. Is. 25. 11.
[d] La. 3. 39.
† or, *creeping things.*
‡ or, *And thou wilt see her that is mine enemy, and cover her with shame*
[e] Ex. 15. 11. [f] Ex. 34. 6, 7. Jo. 50. 20.
§ *she shall be for a treading down.*
[g] Ps. 103. 9. Is. 57. 16. Je. 3. 5.
[h] Am. 9. 11, 14.
[i] Is. 11. 16. Ho. 11. 11.
‖ or, *even to.*
[k] Lu. 1. 72, 73.
[e] or, *After that it hath been.*

NAHUM.

A prophecy of the downfall of the Assyrian empire.

CHAP. I.

THE burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

2 ‡ God *is* [a] jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and *is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.

3 The LORD *is* slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit *the wicked:* the LORD *hath* his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds *are* the dust of his feet.

4 He [b] rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and [d] the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can † abide in the fierceness of his anger? [e] his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

7 The LORD *is* good, a § strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

9 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.

10 For while *they be* folden together *as* thorns, and while they are drunken *as* drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

11 There is *one* come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a § wicked counsellor.

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[e] or, *If* they would have been *at peace, so* should they have been many, *and so should they have been shorn, and he should have passed away.*
† *shorn.*
‡ or, *The LORD is a jealous God, and a revenger.*
[a] Ex. 20. 5.
§ *that hath fury.*
[b] Mat. 8. 26. Re. 10. 15.
‖ *feast.*
[d] 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[e] *Belial.*
† *stand up.*
‡ or, *The disperser,* or, *hammer.*
[e] Re. 18. 1.
§ or, *strength*
‖ or, *pride of Jacob as the pride of Israel.*
[e] or, *dyed scarlet.*
† or, *fiery.*
‡ *their show.*
§ *counsellor of Belial.*
‖ or, *gallants.*

12 Thus saith the LORD; [e] Though *they be* quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be † cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

14 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, *that* no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.

15 Behold [e] upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, ‡ keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for [e] the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.

CHAP. II.

HE ‡ that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make *thy* loins strong, fortify *thy* power mightily.

2 For the LORD hath turned away the ‖ excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.

3 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men *are* [e] in scarlet: the chariots *shall be* with † flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.

4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways: † they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.

5 He shall recount his ‖ worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall

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make haste to the wall thereof, and the [*] defence shall be prepared.

6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be [†] dissolved.

7 And [‡] Huzzab shall be [§] led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead *her* as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.

8 But Nineveh *is* [‖] of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, *shall they cry;* but none shall [†] look back.

9 Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: [‡] for *there is* none end of the store *and* glory out of all the [§] pleasant furniture.

10 She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and [c] the knees smite together, and much pain *is* in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.

11 Where *is* the dwelling of [d] the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, *even* the old lion, walked, *and* the lion's whelp, and none made *them* afraid?

12 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.

13 Behold, [h] I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy [i] messengers shall no more be heard.

CHAP. III.

WOE to the [*] bloody city! it *is* all full of lies *and* robbery; the prey departeth not;

2 The noise of [a] whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the prancing horses, and of the jumping chariots.

3 The horseman lifteth up both the [‡] bright sword and the glittering spear: and *there is* a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; and *there is* none end of *their* corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:

4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.

5 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

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[*] *covering,* or, *coverer.*
[†] or, *molten.*
[‡] or, *that which was established,* or, *there was a stand made.*
[§] or, *discovered.*
[‖] or, *from the days* that *the* hath been.
[*] *No Amon,* or, *nourishing.*
[†] or, *cause* them *to turn.*
[‡] or, *and* their *infinite store.*
[§] *vessels of desire.*
[‖] *in thy help.*
[a] Da. 5. 6.
[b] Ps. 137. 9. Is. 13. 16. Ho. 13. 16.
[c] Joel 3. 3. Ob. 11.
[d] Eze. 19. 2..7.
[e] Je. 25. 17, 27.
[f] Re. 6. 13.
[g] Je. 50. 37. 51. 30.
[h] Je. 21. 13. 50. 31. Eze. 29. 3.
[i] Ps. 147. 13.
[k] 2 Ki. 19. 9, 33.
[*] *city of bloods.*
[l] Joel 1. 4.
[†] or, *spreadeth himself.*
[‡] *flame of the sword, and the lightning of the spear.*
[m] Re. 9. 7.
[n] Ex. 15. 16. Ps. 76. 6.
[§] or, *valiant ones.*
[‖] *wrinkling.*
[*] Is. 14. 8, &c. La. 2. 15. Zep. 2. 15.

6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

7 And it shall come to pass, *that* all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

8 Art thou better than [*] populous No, that was situate among the rivers, *that had* the waters round about it, whose rampart *was* the sea, *and* her wall *was* from the sea?

9 Ethiopia and Egypt *were* her strength, and *it was* infinite; Put and Lubim were [‖] thy helpers.

10 Yet *was* she carried away, she went into captivity: [b] her young children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they [c] cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains.

11 Thou also shalt be [d] drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.

12 All thy strong holds *shall be like* fig [e] trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

13 Behold, [f] thy people in the midst of thee *are* women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy [g] bars.

14 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the morter, make strong the brickkiln.

15 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like [i] the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.

16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm [†] spoileth, and fleeth away.

17 Thy [m] crowned *are* as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, *but* when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they *are*.

18 Thy [k] shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy [§] nobles shall dwell *in the dust:* thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth *them*.

19 *There is* no [‖] healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: [*] all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?

HABAKKUK.

Reproves the Jews, and foretells the destruction of the Chaldeans and Babylonian empire.

CHAP. I.

THE burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.

2 O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! *even* cry out unto thee *of* violence, and thou wilt not save!

3 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause *me* to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and there are *that* raise up strife and contention.

4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore [§] wrong judgment proceedeth.

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[*] Fulfilled, 2 Ch. 36. 6.
[†] *breadths.*
[‡] or, *from them shall proceed the judgment of these, and the captivity of these.*
[§] or, *wrested.*
[‖] *sharp.*

5 ¶ Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvellously: for *I* will work a work in your days, *which* ye will not believe, though it be told *you*.

6 For, lo, [*] I raise up the Chaldeans, *that* bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the [†] breadth of the land, to possess the dwellingplaces *that are* not their's.

7 They *are* terrible and dreadful: [‡] their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves.

8 Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more [‖] fierce than the

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evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle *that* hasteth to eat.

9 They shall come all for violence: †their faces shall sup up *as* the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.

10 And they shall scoff at the kings, and the princes shall be a scorn unto them: they shall deride every strong hold; for they shall heap dust, and take it.

11 Then shall *his* mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, *imputing* this his power unto his god.

12 ¶ *Art* thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O LORD, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O †mighty God, thou hast †established them for correction.

13 *Thou art* of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on ‖iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, *and* holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth *the man that is* more righteous than he?

14 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the *creeping things, *that have* no ruler over them?

15 They take up all of them with the angle, they catch them in their net, and gather them in their †drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.

16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion *is* §fat, and their meat §plenteous.

17 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

CHAP. II.

I WILL stand upon my watch, and set me upon the *tower, and will watch to see what he will say †unto me, and what I shall answer ‖when I am reproved.

2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make *it* plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

3 For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will *surely come, it will not tarry.

4 Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

5 ¶ †Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, *he is* a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and *is* as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people:

6 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, *Woe to him that increaseth *that which is* not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!

7 Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and thou shalt be for ‖‖booties unto them?

8 Because *thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's §blood, and *for* the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

9 ¶ Woe to him that *coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the †power of evil!

10 Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off many people, and hast sinned *against* thy soul.

11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the *beam out of the timber shall †answer it.

12 ¶ Woe to him that buildeth a town with §blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity!

13 Behold, *is it* not of the LORD of hosts that the people shall labour in the very fire, and the people shall weary themselves ‖for very vanity?

14 For the earth shall be filled *with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

15 ¶ Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to *him*, and makest *him* drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

16 Thou art filled §with shame for glory: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be uncovered: the cup of the LORD's right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful spewing *shall be* on thy glory.

17 For the violence of Lebanon shall cover thee, and the spoil of beasts, *which* made them afraid, because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

18 ¶ What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten image, and a teacher of lies, that the †maker of his work trusteth therein, to make dumb idols?

19 Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach! Behold, it *is* laid over with gold and silver, and *there is* no breath at all in the midst of it.

20 But *the LORD *is* in his holy temple: ‖let all the earth keep silence before him.

CHAP. III.

A PRAYER of Habakkuk the prophet §upon *Shigionoth.

2 O LORD, I have heard thy ‖speech, *and* was afraid: O LORD, *revive *thy* work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.

3 God came from †Teman, *and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.

4 And *his* brightness was as the light; he had §horns *coming* out of his hand: and there *was* the hiding of his power.

5 Before him went the pestilence, and burning ‖coals went forth at his feet.

6 He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways *are* everlasting.

7 I saw the tents of †Cushan ‖in affliction: *and* the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

8 Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? *was* thine anger against the rivers? *was* thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses *and* thy chariots §of salvation?

9 Thy bow was made quite naked, *according* to the oaths of the tribes, *even thy* word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the †earth with rivers.

10 The mountains saw thee, *and* they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, *and* lifted up his hands on high.

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* or, *piece*, or, *fastening*.
† *the oppositions of their faces toward the east*, or, *thesupping up of their faces, &c. or, their faces shall look toward the east.*
‡ or, *witness against it.*
§ *bloods.*
‖ or, *in vain.*
* or, *by knowing the glory.*
† *rock.*
‡ *founded.*
§ or, *more with shame than with glory.*
‖ or, *grievance.*
* or, *moving.*
† or, *Aue net.*
‡ *fashioner of his fashion.*
§ *fat*, or, *dainty.*
* Ps. 11. 4.
‖ *be silent all the earth.*
* *fenced place.*
† or, *in me.*
‡ *upon my reproof*, or, *arguing*, or, *when I am argued with.*
§ or, *according to variable songs*, or, *tunes, called in Hebrew, Shigionoth.*
b Ps. 7. title.
‖ *report*, or, *hearing.*
* or, *preserve alive.*
* Ps. 85. 6.
d He. 10. 37.
† or, *the south.*
* De. 33. 2.
‡ or, *How much more.*
§ or, *bright beams out of his sight.*
‖ or, *diseases.* De. 32. 24.
* or, *Ho, he.*
† or, *Ethiopia.*
‡ or, *under affliction*, or, *vanity.*
* Is. 33. 1.
§ or, *were bloods.*
* or, *gaineth an evil gain.*
† or, *rivers of the earth.*
‡ *palm of the hand.*

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11 The sun *and* moon stood still in their habitation: [a] at the light of thine arrows they went, *and* at the shining of thy glittering spear.

12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.

13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, *even* for salvation with thine anointed: thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, [§] by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.

14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they [‖] came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing *was* as to devour the poor secretly.

15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, *through* the [•] heap of great waters.

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[a] Ps. 119.120. Je. 23. 9.
[•] or, *thine arrows walked in the light, &c.*
[†] or, *cut them in pieces.*
[‡] *lie.*
[§] *making naked.*
[b] Is. 61. 10. Phil. 4. 4.
[‖] *were tempestuous.*
[•] or, *mud.*
[†] *Neginoth,* Ps. 4, title.

16 When I heard, [a] my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will [†] invade them with his troops.

17 ¶ Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall [‡] fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls:

18 Yet I will [b] rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

19 The LORD God *is* my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' *feet*, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my [†]stringed instruments.

ZEPHANIAH.

Zephaniah was contemporary with Jeremiah. He prophesied of the captivity.

CHAP. I.

THE word of the LORD which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

2 [a] I will utterly consume all *things* from off [†] the land, saith the LORD.

3 I [b] will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fishes of the sea, and [c] the [‡] stumblingblocks with the wicked; and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.

4 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and [d] I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the name of [‡] the Chemarims with the priests;

5 And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship *and* that swear [§] by the LORD, and that swear [m] by Malcham;

6 And them that are turned back from the LORD; and *those* that [•] have not sought the LORD, nor enquired for him.

7 Hold [a] thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: [b] for the day of the LORD *is* at hand: for [c] the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath [‖] bid his guests.

8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD's sacrifice, that I will [†] punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.

9 In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, *that there shall be* the noise of a cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second, and a great crashing from the hills.

11 Howl, [e] ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.

12 And it shall come to pass at that time, *that* I will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are [f] settled [g] on their lees: that say in their heart, The LORD will not do good, neither will he do evil.

13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they

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[a] De. 28. 30, 39. Am. 5. 11.
[b] Mi. 6. 15.
[c] Joel 2. 1, 11.
[d] *By taking away I will make an end.*
[†] *the face of the land.*
[d] Ho. 4. 3.
[e] Eze. 7. 19. 14. 3, 4, 7. Mat. 13. 41.
[‡] or, *idols.*
[f] Je. 4. 19.
[§] Fulfilled, 634.
2 Ki. 23. 4, 5.
[h] De. 28. 29. Is. 59. 10.
[i] Ho. 10. 5.
[k] Ps. 83. 10. Je. 9. 22. 16. 4.
[l] Pr. 11. 4. Eze. 7. 19.
[§] or, *to.*
[m] 1 Ki. 11. 33.
[n] Ho. 7. 7.
[o] Zec. 2. 13.
[p] Is. 13. 6.
[r] Is. 31. 6. Je. 46. 10. Eze. 39. 17. Re. 19. 17.
[‖] *sanctified,* or, *prepared.*
[•] or, *desirous.*
[†] *visit upon.*
[s] Job 21. 18. Ps. 1. 4. Is. 17. 13. Ho. 13. 3.
[t] Joel 2. 14. Am. 5. 15. Jon. 3. 9.
[u] Je. 47. 4, 5. Eze. 25. 15. Am. 1. 6..8. Zec. 9. 5, 6.
[v] Je. 5. 1.
[‡] *curded,* or, *thickened.*
[x] Je. 48. 11. Am. 6. 1.
[y] Is. 17. 2.
[z] Is. 11. 11.

shall also build houses, but [a] not inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, but [b] not drink the wine thereof.

14 The [c] great day of the LORD *is* near, *it is* near, and hasteth greatly, *even* the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That day *is* a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16 A day of [d] the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall [e] walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh [f] as the dung.

18 Neither [i] their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

CHAP. II.

GATHER yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not [•] desired;

2 Before the decree bring forth, *before* the day pass [a] as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD's anger come upon you.

3 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: [‖] it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD's anger.

4 ¶ For [u] Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.

5 Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coasts, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD *is* against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.

6 And the sea coast shall be dwellings *and* cottages for shepherds, [y] and folds for flocks.

7 And the coast shall be for [z] the rem-

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nant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: [a] for the LORD their God shall [b] visit them, and turn away their captivity.

8 ¶ I [c] have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revilings of the children of Ammon, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified *themselves* against their border.

9 Therefore *as* I live, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely [d] Moab shall be as Sodom, and [e] the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, [h] *even* the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of my people shall possess them.

10 This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified *themselves* against the people of the LORD of hosts.

11 The LORD *will be* terrible unto them: for he will [i] famish all the gods of the earth; [j] and *men* shall worship him, every one from his place, *even* all [m] the isles of the heathen.

12 ¶ Ye [n] Ethiopians also, ye *shall be* slain by my sword.

13 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and [p] destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, *and* dry like a wilderness.

14 And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all [r] the beasts of the nations: both the [s] cormorant [t] and the bittern shall lodge in the [u] upper lintels of it; *their* voice shall sing in the windows; desolation *shall be* in the thresholds: [x] for he shall uncover the cedar work.

15 This *is* the rejoicing city [y] that dwelt carelessly, [z] that said in her heart, I *am*, and *there is* none beside me: how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! every one that passeth by her [a] shall hiss, *and* wag his hand.

CHAP. III.

WOE to [b] her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!

2 She [c] obeyed not the voice; she [d] received not [e] correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.

3 Her [f] princes within her *are* roaring lions; her judges *are* [g] evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

4 Her [h] prophets *are* light *and* treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done [i] violence to the law.

5 The [k] just LORD [l] *is* in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: [o] every morning doth he bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the unjust knoweth no shame.

6 I have cut off the nations: their [t] towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities

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[a] or, *when.*
[b] Je. 8. 6.
[c] Ex. 4. 31. Lu. 1. 68.
[d] Ge. 6. 12.
[e] Joel 3. 2.
[f] Is. XV.
[g] Am. 1. 13.
[h] Ge. 19. 25.
[i] Is. 19. 18.
† *lip.*
‡ *shoulder.*
[k] Ps. 68. 31. Ac. 8. 27.
[l] *midst.* Exam. Mal. 1. 11. Jno. 4. 21.
[m] Ge. 10. 5.
[n] Mat. 3. 9.
[o] Is. 18. 1.
|| *in my holy.*
[p] Is. 10. 12. Eze. 31. 3. Na. 1. 1.
[r] Mat. 5. 3. 1Co.1.27,28 Ja. 2. 5.
[s] Is. 63. 8.
Re. 14. 5.
[t] Is.13.21,22.
[u] or, *pelican.*
[x] Is.34.11,14.
† or, *knops,* or, *chapiters.*
‡ or, *when he hath uncovered.*
[y] Is. 47. 8.
[z] Re. 18. 7.
[a] Jno 1. 49.
[b] Re. 7. 15. 21. 3, 4.
[c] Job 27. 23.
[d] He. 12. 12.
§ or, *faint.*
|| *crane,* or, *glutt'nous.*
[e] De. 30. 9.
[f] Je. 22. 21.
[g] Je. 5. 3.
[h] *be silent.*
† or, *instruction.*
[i] Eze. 22. 27.
[k] Hab. 1. 8.
‡ *burden upon it was reproach.*
[l] La. 2 14. Ho. 9. 7.
[m] Eze. 22. 26.
§ *set them for a praise*
[n] De. 28. 4.
[o] Mi. 2. 1.
|| *of their shame.*
[p] *morning by morning*
[q] Is. 11. 12.
† or, *corners.*

are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

7 I [d] said, Surely thou wilt fear me, thou wilt receive instruction; so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them: but they rose early, *and* [d] corrupted all their doings.

8 ¶ Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: for my determination is [p] to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, *even* all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.

9 For then will I turn to the people [q] a pure † language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one ‡ consent.

10 From [b] beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, *even* the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

11 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that [m] rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty [§] because of my holy mountain.

12 I will also leave in the midst of thee [r] an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.

13 The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, [s] nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid.

14 ¶ Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

15 The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: [y] the king of Israel, *even* the LORD, [z] *is* in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.

16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: *and to* Zion, [b] Let not thine hands be [§] slack.

17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee *is* mighty; he will save, [c] he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will [d] rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

18 I will gather *them that are* sorrowful for the solemn assembly, *who are* of thee, *to whom* the [‡] reproach of it *was a* burden.

19 Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will [§] get them praise and fame in every land [‖] where they have been put to shame.

20 At that time [m] will I bring you *again*, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the LORD.

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HAGGAI.

This prophet prophesied to the Jews during the rebuilding of the temple, B. C. 520.

CHAP. I.

IN [a] the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD [*] by Haggai the prophet unto [b] Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, † governor of Judah, and to [d] Joshua the son of [e] Josedech, the high priest, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built.

3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

4 *Is* [h] *it* time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house *lie* waste?

5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; [‡] Consider [i] your ways.

6 Ye have [m] sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and [r] he that earneth wages earneth wages *to put it* into a bag [§] with holes.

7 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, *it came* to little; and when ye brought *it* home, I did [‖] blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that *is* waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.

10 Therefore [v] the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed *from* her fruit.

11 And I [x] called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon *that* which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.

12 ¶ Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, [c] obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people [b] did fear before the LORD.

13 Then spake Haggai [d] the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto the people, saying, [*] I *am* with you, saith the LORD.

14 And [g] the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; [i] and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,

15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

CHAP. II.

IN the seventh *month*, in the one and twentieth *day* of the month, came the word of the LORD [*] by the prophet Haggai, saying,

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[a] Ezr. 4. 24. 5. 1. Zec. 1. 1.
[*] *by the hand of.*
[b] Mat. 1. 12.
[c] Ezr. 3. 12.
† or, *captain.*
[d] Ezr. 3. 2.
[e] 1 Ch. 6. 15.
[f] Zec. 4. 10.
[g] Zec. 6. 9.
[h] 2 Sa. 7. 2. Ps. 132. 3, &c.
[i] Ez. 29. 45, 46
[k] Ne. 9. 20. Is. 63. 11.
‡ *Set your heart on.*
[l] La. 3. 40.
[m] De. 28. 38. Ho. 4. 10. Mi. 6. 14, 15.
[n] He. 12. 26.
[o] Joel 2. 16.
[p] Ge. 49. 10. Mal. 3. 1.
[r] Zec. 8. 10.
§ *pierced through.*
[s] Jno. 1. 14.
[t] Ps. 85. 9, 9. Lu. 2. 14. Ep. 2. 14.
‖ or, *blow it away.*
[u] Le. 10. 10, 11 De. 33. 10. Mal. 2. 7.
[v] La. 3. 38. De. 28. 23.
[x] 1 Ki. 8. 35. [c] 1 Ki. 17. 1. 2 Ki. 8. 1. Job 34. 29.
[y] Nu. 19. 11.
[z] Tit. 1. 15.
[a] Is. 55. 10, 11. Col. 1. 6.
1 Th. 1. 6, 6. 2. 13.
[b] Ec. 12. 13. Ac. 9. 31. He. 12. 28.
[c] Ro. 6. 21. 1 Co. 11. 31.
[d] 2 Co. 5. 20.
[e] Mat. 18. 20. 28. 20. Ro. 8. 31. 2 Ti. 4. 17, 22.
[f] Zec. 8. 10.
[g] 2 Ch. 36. 22. Ezr. 1. 1. Ac. 17. 16. 1 Co. 12. 4.. 11.
[h] De. 28. 22. 1 Ki 8. 37. Am. 4. 9.
[i] Ezr. 5. 2, 8. 1 Co. 15. 58.
[k] Je. 5. 3. Am. 4. 6.. 11.
[l] Zec. 8. 9.
[*] *by the hand of.*

2 Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

3 Who [a] is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? [f] and how do ye see it now? [f] *is it* not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?

4 Yet now [g] be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for I *am* with you, saith the LORD of hosts:

5 *According* [i] *to* the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so [k] my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; [n] Yet once, it *is* a little while, and [o] I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry *land;*

7 And I will shake all nations, [p] and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

8 The silver *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 The [r] glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give [t] peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

10 ¶ In the four and twentieth *day* of the ninth *month*, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

11 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [u] Ask now the priests *concerning* the law, saying,

12 If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said, No.

13 Then said Haggai, If *one that is* [y] unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.

14 Then answered Haggai, and said, [z] So *is* this people, and so *is* this nation before me, saith the LORD; and so *is* every work of their hands; and that which they offer there *is* unclean.

15 And now, I pray you, [a] consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:

16 Since those *days* were, [f] when *one* came to an heap of twenty *measures*, there were *but* ten: when *one* came to the press-fat for to draw out fifty *vessels* out of the press, there were *but* twenty.

17 I [h] smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands; [k] yet ye *turned* not to me, saith the LORD.

18 Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth *month*, *even* from [l] the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider *it*.

19 Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not

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brought forth: [a] from this day will I bless *you*.

20 ¶ And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth *day* of the month, saying,

21 Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, [c] I will shake the heavens and the earth;

22 And [d] I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen; and [e] I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.

23 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, [f] and will make thee as a signet: for [f] I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts.

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[a] Hag. 2. 18, 19.
[b] Mt. 5. 10.
[c] Ho. 12. 28.
[d] Ca. 8. 6. Je. 22. 24.
[e] Da. 2. 44. Mat. 24. 7.
[f] Is. 42. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 4.

ZECHARIAH.

This prophet was contemporary with Haggai; his message to the Jews was of the same kind, but more particularly pointed to the advent and glory of the Messiah.

CHAP. I.

IN the eighth month, [a] in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD [b] unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

2 The LORD hath been [c] sore displeased with your fathers.

3 Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye [d] unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 Be ye not as your fathers, [f] unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [g] Turn ye now from your evil ways, and *from* your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD.

5 Your fathers, where *are* they? and the prophets, do they live for ever?

6 But [h] my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not † take hold of your fathers? and they returned and said, [m] Like as the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath he dealt with us.

7 ¶ Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which *is* the month Sebat, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

8 I saw by night, and behold [o] a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that *were* in the bottom; and behind him *were there* red horses, ‡ speckled, and white.

9 Then said I, O my lord, what *are* these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me, I will shew thee what these *be*.

10 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, [r] These *are they* whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.

11 And [s] they answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.

12 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, [w] O LORD of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation [x] these threescore and ten years?

13 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me *with* [b] good words *and* comfortable words.

14 So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am [d] jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

15 And I am very sore displeased with the heathen *that are* at ease: for [e] I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; [d] I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

17 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through † prosperity shall yet be spread abroad; [k] and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and [a] shall yet choose Jerusalem.

18 ¶ Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

19 And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What *be* these? And he answered me, [l] These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.

20 And the LORD shewed me four carpenters.

21 Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which [m] lifted up *their* horn over the land of Judah to scatter it.

CHAP. II.

I LIFTED up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold [p] a man with a measuring line in his hand.

2 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said unto me, [r] To measure Jerusalem, to see what *is* the breadth thereof, and what *is* the length thereof.

3 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another angel went out to meet him,

4 And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, [w] Jerusalem shall be inhabited *as* towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein:

5 For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, [y] and will be the glory in the midst of her.

6 ¶ Ho, ho, *come forth*, and flee [z] from the land of the north, saith the LORD: for I have [p] spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD.

7 Deliver [a] thyself, O Zion, that dwellest *with* the daughter of Babylon.

8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for [c] he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.

9 For, behold, I will [e] shake mine hand

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[a] Ezr. 4. 24. Hag. 1. 1.
[b] Ezr. 5. 1. Mat. 23. 35.
[c] Is. 47. 6. Ho. 12. 6, 7.
[d] *with displeasure.*
[e] Is. 12. 1. 54. 8.
[f] Mal. 3. 7. Lu. 15. 20. Ja. 4. 8.
[g] 2 Ch. 36. 15, 16.
† *good.*
[h] Je. 31. 6. Je. 3. 18, 19. 11. Eze. 18. 30. Ho. 14. 1. Mat. 3. 8...10 Ac. 3. 19.
[m] Is. 51. 3.
[o] Is. 14. 1.
[b] Is. 55. 1.
[d] Ezr. 4. 1, 4, 7. 5. 3.
‡ *or, overtaken.*
[m] La. 1. 18. 2. 17.
[n] Ps. 75. 4, 5.
[o] Jos. 5. 13. Re. 6. 4.
[p] Eze. 40. 3.
§ *or, bay.*
[r] Re. 11. 1. 21.15,16.
[s] Ho. 1. 14.
[t] Ps. 103. 20, 21
[u] Je. 31. 27. Eze. 36. 10, 11.
[v] Is. 60. 19.
[w] Ps. 102. 13. Re. 6. 10.
[x] Is. 48. 20. 52. 11. Je. 1. 14. 50. 8. 51. 6, 45.
[y] De. 28. 64.
[z] ch. 7. 5. Je. 25. 11, 12. Da. 9. 2.
[a] Re. 18. 4.
[b] Je. 29. 10.
[c] De. 32. 10. Ps. 17. 8. 2 Th. 1. 6.
[d] ch. 8. 2. Joel 2. 18.
[e] Is. 11. 15. 19. 16.

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upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

10 ¶ Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I [a] will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

11 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be [c] my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and [d] thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto thee.

12 And the LORD shall [f] inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.

13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up [h] out of [†] his holy habitation.

CHAP. III.

AND he shewed me [m] Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and [‡] Satan [n] standing at his right hand to [§] resist him.

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, [p] The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that [q] hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: [r] *is* not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

3 Now Joshua was clothed with [u] filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, [v] and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

5 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.

6 And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying,

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my [x] charge, then thou shalt also [b] judge my house, and shall also keep my courts, and I will give thee [†] places to walk among these that stand by.

8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they *are* men [§] wondered [d] at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the [e] BRANCH.

9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone *shall be* [f] seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and [h] I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

10 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour [k] under the vine and under the fig tree.

CHAP. IV.

AND the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, [l] as a man that is wakened out of his sleep,

2 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold [m] a candlestick all *of* gold, with [‖] a bowl upon the top of it, [n] and his seven lamps thereon, and [†] seven pipes to the seven lamps, which *are* upon the top thereof:

3 And two olive trees by it, one upon the right *side* of the bowl, and the other upon the left *side* thereof.

4 So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What *are* these, my lord?

5 Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest

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[a] Jno. 1. 14. 2 Co. 6. 16.
[b] Ho. 1. 7.
[c] or, *army.*
[d] Ex. 12. 49.
[e] Mat. 21. 21.
[f] Ezr. 6. 15.
[g] Hab. 2. 20.
[h] Ps. 118. 22. De. 32. 9.
[†] *the habitation of his holiness.* De. 26. 15. Is. 63. 15.
[k] ch. 6. 15.
[l] Is. 48. 16.
[m] Hag. 1. 1.
[‡] i. e. *an adversary.*
[n] Ps. 109. 6. Re. 12. 10.
[p] Hag. 2. 3.
[§] or, *since the seven eyes of the LORD shall reforce.*
[‖] *be his adversary*
[q] *stone of tin.*
[r] Jude 9.
[s] Pr. 15. 3.
[t] Ro. 8. 33.
[u] Re. 11. 5. Jude 23.
[v] Is. 64. 6.
[†] *by the hand of.*
[‡] or, *empty out of themselves* oil into *the gold.*
[§] *the gold.*
[x] Lu. 15. 22. Re. 19. 8.
[y] Re. 11. 4.
[‖] *sons of oil.*
[z] Lu. 1. 19.
[a] Jos. 3. 11, 13.
[b] Ezc. 2. 9.
[c] or, *ordinance.*
[d] Mal. 2. 7.
[†] *walks.*
[e] Mal. 4. 6.
[‡] or, *of this* people *that stealeth* hideth himself *guiltless, as it* doth.
[§] *of wonder,* or, *sign.* Exe. 12. 11. 24. 24.
[d] Ps. 71. 7.
[e] Is. 11. 1. Je. 23. 5. Lu. 1. 78.
[f] Re. 5. 6.
[g] Lu. 19. 13.
[h] Je. 31. 34.
[i] Ja. 5. 2, 3.
[k] 1 Ki. 4. 25.
[l] Da. 8. 18.
[m] Re. 1. 12.
[‖] *her bowl.*
[n] or, *weighty piece.*
[o] Re. 4. 5.
[†] or, *seven several pipes to the lamps.*

thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This *is* the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, [b] Not by [c] might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

7 Who *art* thou, [d] O great mountain? before Zerubbabel *thou shalt become* a plain: and he shall bring forth [f] the headstone *thereof with* shoutings, *crying,* Grace, grace unto it.

8 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands [i] shall also finish it; and [k] thou shalt know that the [l] LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.

10 For who hath despised the day of [e] small things? [§] for they shall rejoice, and shall see the [o] plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel *with* those seven; [r] they *are* the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

11 ¶ Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees upon the right *side* of the candlestick and upon the left *side* thereof?

12 And I answered again, and said unto him, What *be these* two olive branches which [†] through the two golden pipes [‡] empty [§] the golden *oil* out of themselves?

13 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these *be*? And I said, No, my lord.

14 Then said he, [x] These *are* the two [‖] anointed ones, [y] that stand by [z] the Lord of the whole earth.

CHAP. V.

THEN I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying [a] roll.

2 And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length thereof *is* twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits.

3 Then said he unto me. This *is* the [c] curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one [‡] that stealeth shall be cut off *as on* this side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off *as on* that side according to it.

4 I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of [§] him that sweareth falsely by my name: and it shall remain in the midst of his house, and [‖] shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.

5 ¶ Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine eyes, and see what *is* this that goeth forth.

6 And I said, What *is* it? And he said, This *is* an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover, This *is* their resemblance through all the earth.

7 And, behold, there was lifted up a [o] talent of lead: and this *is* a woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah.

8 And he said, This *is* wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.

9 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and the wind *was* in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven.

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10 Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah?

11 And he said unto me, To [b] build it an house in [c] the land of Shinar: and it shall be established, and set there upon her own base.

CHAP. VI.

AND I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; and the mountains *were* mountains of brass.

2 In the first chariot *were* [f] red horses; and in the second chariot black horses;

3 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grisled and [†] bay horses.

4 Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What *are* these, my lord?

5 And the angel answered and said unto me, [h] These *are* the four [‡] spirits of the heavens, which go forth from [i] standing before the Lord of all the earth.

6 The black horses which *are* therein go forth into [i] the north country; and the white go forth after them; and the grisled go forth toward the south country.

7 And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might [m] walk to and fro through the earth: and he said, Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth.

8 Then cried he upon me, and spake unto me, saying, Behold, these that go toward the north country have quieted my [r] spirit in the north country.

9 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

10 Take of *them of* the captivity, *even* of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah, which are come from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah;

11 Then take silver and gold, and make [n] crowns, and set *them* upon the head of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest;

12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold [o] the man whose name *is* The BRANCH; and he shall [o] grow up out of his place, [p] and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

13 Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he [q] shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and [r] he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.

14 And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son of Zephaniah, [f] for a memorial in the temple of the LORD.

15 And [s] they *that are* far off shall come and build in the temple of the LORD, and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. And *this* shall come to pass, if ye will diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God.

CHAP. VII.

AND it came to pass in the fourth year of king Darius, *that* the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah in the fourth *day* of the ninth month, *even* in Chisleu;

2 When they had sent unto the house of God Sherezer and Regem-melech, and their men, to [‖] pray before the LORD,

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3 *And* to [a] speak unto the priests which *were* in the house of the LORD of hosts, and to the prophets, saying, Should I weep in the fifth month, separating myself, as I have done these so many years?

4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD of hosts unto me, saying,

5 Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye [d] fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh *month*, even those seventy years, did ye at all fast [e] unto me, *even* to me?

6 And when ye did eat, and when ye did drink, [•] did not ye eat *for yourselves*, and drink *for yourselves*?

7 ‡ *Should ye* not *hear* the words which the LORD hath cried § by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when *men* inhabited [g] the south and the plain?

8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying,

9 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, [•] Execute [h] true judgment, and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother:

10 And [m] oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor; [•] and let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart.

11 But they refused to hearken, and [†] pulled away the shoulder, and [‡] stopped their ears, [P] that they should not hear.

12 Yea, they made their hearts *as* an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit § by the former prophets: [r] therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.

13 Therefore it is come to pass, *that* as he cried, and they would not hear; so [s] they cried, and I would not hear, saith the LORD of hosts:

14 But I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations whom they knew not. Thus the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the [‖] pleasant land desolate.

CHAP. VIII.

AGAIN the word of the LORD of hosts came *to me*, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [y] I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.

3 Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem [z] shall be called a city of truth; and [a] the mountain of the LORD of hosts [b] the holy mountain.

4 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [c] There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for [†] very age.

5 And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.

6 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be [‡] marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, [A] should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, [i] I will save my people from the east country, and from the § west country;

8 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: [k] and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.

[a] Mal. 2. 7.
[b] Je. 29. 5. 28.
[c] Ge. 10. 10.
[d] Is. 58. 5.
[e] Ro. 14. 6.
[f] Re. 6. 2. &c.
[•] or, *be not ye they that.*
[†] or, *strong.*
[‡] or, *Are not these the.*
[§] *by the hand of.*
[g] Je. 17. 26.
[A] Ps. 104. 4. He. 1. 7, 14.
[‖] or, *winds.*
[i] 1 Ki. 22. 19. Da. 7. 10. Lu. 1. 19.
[•] *Judge judgment of truth.*
[k] Mat. 23. 23.
[l] Je. 1. 14.
[m] Ex. 22. 21, 22. De. 24. 17.
[n] ch. 1. 10. Ge. 13. 17. Ps. 35. 4.
[†] *they gave a backbiding shoulder.*
[‡] *made heavy*
[P] Ac. 7. 57.
[r] Ju. 8. 3. Ec. 10. 4.
[§] *by the hand of.*
[s] De. 9. 11. Pr. 1. 24. 28. Is. 1. 15.
[m] Ex. 28. 36. 29. 6. Le 8. 9.
[‖] *land of desire.*
[•] Lu. 1. 78. Jno. 1. 45.
[•] or, *branch up from under him.*
[q] ch. 4. 9. Mat. 16. 18. Ep. 2. 20. 22 He. 3. 3.
[p] Na. 1. 2.
[z] Is. 22. 24.
[a] Ps. 110. 4. He. 3. 1.
[b] Is. 11. 9. 26.
[c] Is. 2. 2. 3.
[d] Je. 31. 23.
[e] 1 Sa. 2. 31.
[f] Ex. 12. 14. Mar. 14. 9.
[†] *multitude of days.*
[g] Is. 57. 19. 60. 10. Ep. 2. 13, 19.
[‡] or, *hard, or, difficult.*
[A] Ro. 4. 21.
[i] Is. 43. 5, 6.
[§] *country of the going down of the sun.* Ps. 50. 1. Mal. 1. 11.
[k] Je. 30. 22.
[‖] *intreat the face of.* 1 Sa. 13. 12.

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9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [a] Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets, which *were* in the day *that* the foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts was laid, that the temple might be built.

10 For before these days [b] there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; [c] neither *was there any* peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I set all men every one against his neighbour.

11 But now I *will* not *be* unto the residue of this people as in the former days, saith the LORD of hosts.

12 For [d] the seed *shall be* † prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and [e] the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these *things*.

13 And it shall come to pass, *that* as ye were [f] a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, *but* let your hands be strong.

14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; [g] As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, [h] and I repented not:

15 So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

16 ¶ These *are* the things that ye shall do; [i] Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; [k] execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

17 And [l] let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these *are things* that I hate, saith the LORD.

18 ¶ And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,

19 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [m] The fast of the fourth *month*, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah [n] joy and gladness, and cheerful † feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.

20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; *It shall* yet *come to pass*, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

21 And the inhabitants of one *city* shall go to another, saying, [o] Let us go § speedily to ‖ pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.

22 Yea, [p] many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.

23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days *it shall come to pass*, that ten men shall [q] take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard [r] *that* God *is* with you.

CHAP. IX.

THE [a] burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hadrach, and [b] Damascus *shall be* the rest thereof: when [c] the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, *shall be* toward the LORD.

2 And [d] Hamath also shall border thereby; [e] Tyrus, and [f] Zidon, though it be very wise.

3 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and [g] heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.

4 Behold, the Lord will cast her out, and

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[a] Hag. 2. 4.
[b] or, *the hire of man became nothing, &c.*
[c] Am. 1. 6.
[d] 2 Ch. 15. 5.
† *bloods.*
[e] Ho. 2. 21, 22.
‡ *of peace.*
[f] Ps. 31. 7.
[g] Ps. 67. 6. Hag. 1. 10.
[h] Mat. 21. 5. Jno. 12. 15.
[i] Je. 42. 18.
[k] Je. 23. 5. Lu. 19. 38. Jno. 1. 49.
§ or, *saving himself.*
[l] Je. 31. 28.
[m] 2 Ch. 35. 16.
[n] Ep. 2. 1, 17.
[o] Ps. 72. 8.
‖ or, *whose covenant is by blood.* Ex. 24. 8. Ha. 10. 29. 13. 20.
• *judge truth, and the judgment of peace.*
[p] Is. 42. 7.
[q] Pr. 3. 29.
[r] Je. 52. 6, 7.
[s] Is. 35. 10.
† or, *solemn, or, set times.*
‡ or, *the stones of the sling.*
[t] Mi. 4. 1, 2.
§ *going*, or, *continually*
‖ *intreat the face of.* ch. 7. 2.
• or, *fill both the bowls.*
[u] Lu. 4. 18, 25.
[w] Is. 66. 23.
[x] Is. 62. 3. Mal. 3. 17.
[y] Is. 4. 1.
[z] Ps. 21. 19.
† or, *grove*, or, *speak.*
[a] 1 Co. 14. 25.
[b] Je. 14. 22.
[c] Je. 23. 33.
[d] Am. 1. 3.
‡ or, *lightnings.* Jo. 10. 13.
[e] Ps. 145. 15.
§ *seraphims*, Ju. 17. 5.
[f] Je. 49. 23.
[g] Job 13. 4.
[h] Is. xxiii. Eze. xxvi.. xxviii.
[i] 1 Ki. 17. 9. Ob. 20.
‖ or, *answered that, &c.*
[k] Eze. 34. 5.
[l] Job 27. 16.
• *visited upon.*
[m] Lu. 1. 68.

he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.

5 Ashkelon shall see *it*, and fear; Gaza also *shall see it*, and be very sorrowful, and Ekron; for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon shall not be inhabited.

6 And a bastard shall dwell [i] in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

7 And I will take away his † blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth: but he that remaineth, even he, *shall be* for our God, and he shall be as a governor in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.

8 And [k] I will encamp about mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth by, and because of him that returneth: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.

9 ¶ Rejoice [l] greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, [m] thy King cometh unto thee: he *is* just, and § having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak [n] peace unto the heathen: and his dominion *shall be* [o] from sea *even* to sea, and from the river *even* to the ends of the earth.

11 As for thee also, ‖ by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy [p] prisoners out of the pit wherein *is* no water.

12 ¶ Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare *that* I will render double unto thee;

13 When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

14 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.

15 The LORD of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour, and subdue ‡ with sling stones; and they shall drink, *and* make a noise as through wine; and they shall • be filled like bowls, *and* as the • corners of the altar.

16 And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for [q] *they shall be as* the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land.

17 For [r] how great *is* his goodness, and how great *is* his beauty! corn shall make the young men † cheerful, and new wine the maids.

CHAP. X.

ASK ye [a] of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; *so* the LORD shall make ‡ bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

2 For the § idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they [b] comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they ‖ were troubled, [c] because *there was* no shepherd.

3 Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I • punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts [d] hath visited his flock

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the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.

4 Out of him came forth [a] the corner, out of him [b] the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.

5 ¶ And they shall be as mighty *men*, which [c] tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD *is* with them, and [‡] the riders on horses shall be confounded.

6 And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I [d] have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I *am* the LORD their God, and will hear them.

7 And *they of* Ephraim shall be like a mighty *man*, and their [e] heart shall rejoice as through wine: yea, their children shall see *it*, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.

8 I will [f] hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them: [g] and they shall increase as they have increased.

9 And [f] I will sow them among the people: and they shall remember me in far countries; and they shall live with their children, and turn again.

10 I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and *place* shall not be found for them.

11 And he shall pass through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of the river shall dry up: and [m] the pride of Assyria shall be brought down, and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.

12 And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and [n] they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD.

CHAP XI.

OPEN thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.

2 Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen; because the [‡] mighty are spoiled: howl, O ye oaks of Bashan; [o] for [*] the forest of the vintage is come down.

3 [†] *There is* a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled.

4 Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter;

5 Whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them [p] say, Blessed *be* the LORD; for I am rich: and their own shepherds pity them not.

6 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but, lo, I will [‡] deliver the men every one into his neighbour's hand, and into the hand of his king: and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver *them*.

7 And I will feed the flock of slaughter, [§] *even* you, [*] O poor of the flock. And I took unto me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called [‖] Bands; and I fed the flock.

8 Three shepherds also I cut off [a] in one month; and my soul [*] lothed them, and their soul also abhorred me.

9 Then said I, I will not feed you: [*] that

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[a] Is. 19. 13.
[*] *his fellow*, or, *neighbour*.
[b] Is. 22. 23.
[c] Ps. 18. 42.
[†] or, *the poor of the flock, &c. certainly knew*.
[‡] or, *they shall make the riders on horses ashamed*.
[§] it be *good in your eyes*.
[d] Ex. 31. 33. Mat. 26. 15.
[e] Ho. 1. 7.
[f] Mat 27. 9, 12
[g] Ps. 104. 15.
[‖] or, *Binders*.
[h] Ezr. 34. 2, 4.
[i] Is. 5. 26.
[k] Is. 49 19, 20.
[l] Ho. 2. 23.
[*] or, *hidden*.
[†] or, *bear*.
[m] Jno 10. 12, 13
[n] Is. 14. 25.
[o] Is. 32. 5. 40. 13.
[p] Mt. 4. 5.
[r] Nu. 16. 22. He. 12. 9.
[‡] or, *slumber*, or, *poison*.
[§] or, *and also against Judah* shall he be *which shall be in siege against Jerusalem*.
[s] ch. 13. 1. 14. 4, &c.
[‖] or, *galbanis*.
[t] Mat. 21. 44.
[u] Is. 32. 19.
[*] or, *the defenced forest*.
[v] Ps. 76. 6.
[w] De. 29. 19.
[†] or, *There is strength to me* and *to the inhabitants, &c.*
Joel 3. 16.
[y] Ob. 18.
[‡] *make to be found*.
[§] or, *verily the poor*.
[*] Zep. 3. 12. Mat. 11. 5.
[‖] or, *Binders*.
[a] Ho. 5. 7.
[*] *was straitened for them*.
[b] Joel 3. 10.
[†] *fallen*, or, *abject*.
[c] Jo. 15 2. 43. 11.

that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest eat every one the flesh of [*] another.

10 ¶ And I took my staff, *even* Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the people.

11 And it was broken in that day: and [†] so the poor of the flock that waited upon me knew that it *was* the word of the LORD.

12 And I said unto them, If [§] ye think good, give *me* my price; and if not, forbear. So they [d] weighed for my price thirty *pieces* of silver.

13 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the [*] potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty *pieces* of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, *even* [‖] Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

15 ¶ And the LORD said unto me, [a] Take unto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.

16 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, *which* shall not visit those that be [*] out off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor [†] feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.

17 Woe [w] to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword *shall be* upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

CHAP. XII.

THE burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, [e] which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and [f] formeth the spirit of man within him.

2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of [‡] trembling unto all the people round about, [§] when they shall be in the siege both against Judah *and* against Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And [s] in that day will I make Jerusalem [t] a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

4 In that day, saith the LORD, [u] I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness.

5 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, [†] The inhabitants of Jerusalem *shall be* my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.

6 ¶ In that day will I make the governors of Judah [‡] like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, *even* in Jerusalem.

7 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify *themselves* against Judah.

8 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and [*] he that is [†] feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David

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shall be as God, as the angel of the LORD before them.

9 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will seek to [e] destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

10 And [d] I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall [e] look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, [f] as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

11 In that day shall there be a great mourning [h] in Jerusalem, [i] as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.

12 And [t] the land shall mourn, [m] every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of [m] Nathan apart, and their wives apart;

13 The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of [§] Shimei apart, and their wives apart;

14 All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

CHAP. XIII.

IN that day there shall be [p] a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for [§] uncleanness.

2 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause [q] the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.

3 And it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

4 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear [a] [§] rough garment [‖] to deceive:

5 But [p] he shall say, I *am* no prophet, I *am* an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.

6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends.

7 ¶ Awake, O sword, against [e] my shepherd, and against the man [b] *that is* my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: [e] smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon [d] the little ones.

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; [e] but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will [f] refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: [g] they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

CHAP. XIV.

BEHOLD, [b] the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

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[a] Joel 3. 2.
[b] Is. 13. 16.
[c] Hag. 2. 22.
[d] Je. 31. 9. Joel 2. 28.
[e] Jno. 19. 34, 37. Re. 1. 7.
[f] Je. 6. 26. Am. 8. 10.
[g] Eze. 11. 23.
[h] Ac. 2. 37.
[i] 2 Ch. 35. 24.
[t] Joel 3. 12, 14.
[l] Mat. 24. 30.
[m] *families, families.*
† or, *my.*
[m] 2 Sa. 5. 14. Lu. 3. 31.
‡ or, *when he shall cleave the valley of the mountains to the place he separated.*
[m] Am. 1. 1.
§ or, *Simeon*, as LXX.
[o] Mat. 16. 27.
‖ *i. e.* it shall not be clear in some places, and dark in other places of the world.
* *precious.*
† *thickness.*
‡ or, *the day shall be one*
[p] He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 1. 5.
§ *separation for uncleanness.*
[q] Exo. 47. 1. Re. 22. 1.
‖ or, *eastern*, Joel 2. 20.
[r] 2 Pe 2. 1.
[s] Is. 2. 44. Re. 11. 15.
[u] Ep. 4. 5, 6.
* or, *compassed.*
[v] Is. 40. 4.
† or, *shall abide*
‡ or, *abide.*
[x] Mat. 3. 4.
§ *garment of hair.*
‖ *to lie.*
[y] Am. 7. 14.
[z] 1 Sa. 14. 15, 20.
[a] Is. 40. 11.
[b] Jno. 10. 30. 14. 10, 11. Phi. 2. 6.
[c] Mar. 14. 27.
* or, *also, O Judah, shalt.*
† or, *against.*
[d] Lu. 12. 32.
[e] Re. 11. 5.
[f] 1 Pe. 1. 6, 7.
[g] Ps. 50. 15.
[h] Is. 60. 6, 7, 9. 66. 23.
[i] Le. 23. 34, 43 Jno. 7. 2.
[k] Ac. 2. 20.

2 For [c] I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and [b] the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

4 ¶ And his feet shall stand in that day [d] upon the mount of Olives, which *is* before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, [k] *and there shall be* a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

5 And ye shall flee *to* the valley of † the mountains; ‡ for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the [e] earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: [e] and the LORD my God shall come, *and* all the saints with thee.

6 And it shall come to pass in that day, ‖*that* the light shall not be * clear, *nor* † dark:

7 But ‡ it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, *that* at evening time it shall be light.

8 And it shall be in that day, *that* living [r] waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the ‖ former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

9 And the LORD shall be [t] king over all the earth: in that day shall there be [u] one LORD, and his name one.

10 All the land shall be * turned [v] as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and † inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and *from* the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

11 And *men* shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall † be safely inhabited.

12 ¶ And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* [s] a great tumult from the LORD shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.

14 And * Judah also shall fight † at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.

15 And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.

16 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even [k] go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep [i] the feast of tabernacles.

17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come up of *all* the families of the earth

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unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, † that *have* no *rain*; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

19 This shall be the ‡ punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

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* or, *bridles.*
a Is. 23. 18.
† *upon whom* there is not rain.
‡ or, *sin.*
b Is. 35. 8. Joel 3. 17. Ep. 2. 19. .22 Re. 21. 27. 22. 15.

20 ¶ In that day shall there be upon the * bells of the horses, a HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

21 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the b Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

MALACHI.

Malachi was contemporary with Nehemiah. He was the last prophet before the gospel dispensation.

CHAP. I.

THE burden of the word of the LORD to Israel * by Malachi.

2 I a have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? *Was not* Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet b I loved Jacob,

3 And I hated Esau, and c laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.

4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.

5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, d The LORD will be magnified ‡ from the border of Israel.

6 ¶ A son e honoureth *his* father, and a servant his master: f if then I *be* a father, where *is* mine honour? and if I *be* a master, where *is* my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?

7 † Ye offer g polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* contemptible.

8 And h if ye offer the blind ‡ for sacrifice, *is it* not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, *is it* not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or i accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.

9 And now, I pray you, beseech § God that he will be gracious unto us: k this hath been ‖ by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.

10 Who *is there* even among you that would shut the doors *for nought*? l neither do ye kindle *fire* on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand.

11 For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name *shall be* great m among the Gentiles; n and in every place o incense *shall be* offered unto my name, and a pure offering: p for my name *shall be* great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.

12 ¶ But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* polluted; and the fruit thereof, *even* his meat, *is* contemptible.

13 Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness *is it!* § and ye have snuffed at it,

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* *by the hand of.*
a De. 7. 8.
b Le. 22. 20, &c.
† or, *in whose flock is.*
c Ro. 9. 13.
d Je. 49. 13.
e 1 Ti. 6. 15.
f Le. 26. 14, &c.
g Ps. 35. 27.
‡ *from upon,* or, *upon.*
h Ex. 20. 12.
§ or, *reprove.*
i Lu. 6. 46.
‖ *scatter.*
k or, *it shall take you away to it.*
l 1 Ki. 14. 10.
† or, *Bring unto, &c.*
m De. 15. 21.
n Nu. 25. 12.
o Le. 22. 22.
‡ *to sacrifice.*
p De. 33. 10.
P Job 42. 8.
q Ja. 5. 20.
r De. 17. 9,10.
§ *the face of God.*
t Ho. 13. 9.
u Ga. 4. 14.
‖ *from your hand.*
v 1 Sa. 2. 17. Je. 18. 15.
w or, *fall in the law.*
x 1 Co. 9. 13. Nu. 18. 29.
y 1 Sa. 2. 30.
† *accepted faces,* or, *lifted up the face against.*
z 1 Co. 8. 4.
a Is. 60. 3, 5.
b Jno. 1. 21. 25. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
c Re. 8. 3.
d Is. 66. 19, 20.
‡ or, *ought to love.*
§ or, *whereas ye might have blown it away.*

saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought *that which was* torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: b should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

14 But cursed *be* the deceiver, † which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for c I *am* a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name *is* dreadful among the heathen.

CHAP. II.

AND now, O ye priests, this commandment *is* for you.

2 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay *it* to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay *it* to heart.

3 Behold, I will § corrupt your seed, and ‖ spread dung upon your faces, *even* the dung of your solemn feasts; and * one shall k take you away with it.

4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

5 My l covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him *for* the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name.

6 The * law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did † turn many away from iniquity.

7 For * the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: m for he *is* the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye n have caused many to * stumble at the law; † ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 Therefore o have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but † have been partial in the law.

10 Have p we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of *our* fathers?

11 ¶ Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he ‡ loved, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.

12 The LORD will cut off the man that

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doeth this, [o] the master and the scholar, out of the tabernacles of Jacob, [a] and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth *it* with good will at your hand.

14 ¶ Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and [d] the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: [e] yet *is* she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

15 And [f] did not he make one? Yet had he the [‡] residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek [||] a [h] godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal [o] treacherously against the wife of his youth.

16 For [i] the LORD, the God of Israel, saith [†] that he hateth [‡] putting away: for *one* covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

17 ¶ Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied *him?* When ye say, Every one that doeth evil [§] good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where *is* the God of judgment?

CHAP. III.

BEHOLD, [p] I will send my messenger, and he shall [r] prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and [w] who shall stand when he appeareth? for [x] he *is* like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' sope:

3 And [z] he shall sit *as* a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may [a] offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in [†] former years.

5 And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that [§] oppress the hireling in *his* wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger *from his right*, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.

6 For I *am* the LORD, [d] I change not; [e] therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

7 ¶ Even from the days of [f] your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept *them*. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return?

8 ¶ Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? [b] In tithes and offerings.

9 Ye *are* cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, *even* this whole nation.

10 Bring [c] ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and [†] pour you out a blessing, that *there shall* not *be room* enough *to receive it*.

11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not [‡] destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be [g] a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

13 ¶ Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we spoken *so much* against thee?

14 Ye [k] have said, It *is* vain to serve God: and what profit *is it* that we have kept his [§] ordinance, and that we have walked [‖] mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

15 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness [o] are set up; yea, *they that* [l] tempt God are even delivered.

16 ¶ Then they [m] that feared the LORD [n] spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and [o] a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

17 And [q] they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up [r] my [†] jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

CHAP. IV.

FOR, behold, [s] the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall [t] leave them neither root nor branch.

2 ¶ But unto you that fear my name shall the [u] Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

3 And [v] ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 ¶ Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him [‡] in Horeb for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.

5 ¶ Behold, I will send you [h] Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

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[o] or, *him that waketh, and him that answereth.*
[a] Ne. 13. 28, 29.
[b] Ne. 13. 10, 12.
[c] Pr. 3. 9, 10.
[†] *empty out.*
[d] Pr. 5. 18.
[‡] *corrupt.*
Pr. 2. 17.
[e] Mat. 19. 4, 5.
[§] or, *excellency.*
[||] *a seed of God.*
[f] De. 8. 9.
[h] Ezr. 9. 2.
1 Co. 7. 14.
[o] or, *unfaithfully.*
[i] De. 24. 1.
Mat. 5. 32. 19. 8.
[†] or, *if he hate her, put* her *away.*
[‡] *to put away.*
[k] Job 21. 14, 15 22. 17.
Ps. 73. 13.
Zep. 1. 12.
[§] *observation*
[||] *in black.*
[o] *are built.*
[l] Ps. 95. 9.
[m] Ps. 66. 16.
[n] He. 3. 13.
[o] Ps. 56. 8.
Is. 65. 6.
Re. 20. 12.
[p] Mat. 11. 10.
[r] Is. 40. 3.
[s] Ez. 19. 5.
De. 7. 6.
Ps. 135. 4.
Tit. 2. 14.
1 Pe. 2. 9.
[t] Is. 62. 3.
[†] or, *special treasure.*
[u] Re. 6. 17.
[v] Is. 4. 4.
Mat. 3. 10, 12
[x] Zec. 13. 9.
[y] Joel 2. 31.
2 Pe. 3. 7.
[z] 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[‡] or, *ancient.*
[a] Am. 2. 9.
[b] Lu. 1. 76.
Ep. 5. 14.
2 Pe. 1. 19.
Re. 2. 28.
[§] or, *defraud.*
[c] 2 Ki. 22. 3.
Mi. 7. 10.
[d] Nu. 23. 19.
Ro. 11. 29.
Ja. 1. 17.
[e] La. 3. 22.
[f] De. 4. 10.
[g] Ac. 7. 51.
[h] Mat. 11. 14. 17. 11.
Lu. 1. 17.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Ant III. 2.—VALLEY OF JEHOSHAPHAT. This seems to have been named after Jehoshaphat, who returned thanks to God here with his army, after a signal victory over the Ammonites and Moabites; after which solemn act, they entered the city of Jerusalem in triumphal procession, with music and singing. Jehoshaphat, having joined with Ahab in an unfortunate expedition against Ramoth-gilead,

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became lowered in the estimation of the neighbouring nations; and the Ammonites and Moabites having been brought into a state of subjection by David, now began to conceive hopes of deliverance from the yoke under which they lay. They therefore invaded the country by way of Edom, supported by some Arabian hordes. The enemy had reached the valley of Engedi before Jehoshaphat knew of their approach. He was greatly alarmed, but proclaimed a fast, and cast himself upon God. He marched to meet the enemy, having the Levites in front of his army singing the praises of Jehovah. They reached the allied armies, but instead of meeting a foe, found the field silent and covered with their slain. They had fallen out among themselves. Jehoshaphat returned with immense and precious spoils, and hence the solemn thanksgiving in the valley before referred to. This valley is the most extensive and important of the valleys surrounding Jerusalem. It lies east of the city, between it and the mount of Olives. It is rather more than a mile in length, but narrow, there being but few places in which its breadth exceeds two hundred yards. It frequently occurs under different names in the writings of sacred historians and prophets. According to Lamartine, it is 'a deep and rugged ravine,' rather than a valley. It was formerly a deep and narrow valley, enclosed on the north by dark and barren heights, which contained the sepulchres of kings, shaded on the west by Jerusalem, covered at the east by the summit of the mount of Olives, and crossed by a torrent which rolled its bitter and yellow waters over the broken rocks. 'At some paces distant,' says Lamartine, 'a black and bare rock detaches itself like a promontory from the base of the mountain, and, suspended over the Kidron and the valley, bears several old tombs of kings or patriarchs, formed in gigantic and singular architecture, and strides like the bridge of death over the valley of lamentations.' At the time of Christ's agony, 'no doubt,' observes the same writer, 'the sloping sides of mount Olives were then, as now, watered by brooks from the pools, and by the still-running stream of Kidron. Gardens of pomegranate, orange, and olive trees, covered with a thicker shade the narrow valley of Gethsemane, which delves like a sanny of grief the foot of the west side of the valley of Jehoshaphat.' Jehoshaphat means the judgment of God, and this may be signified in the symbolical language of prophecy.

Amos VI. 10.—BURNING THE DEAD. The custom of burning the dead seems to have been in use among the Hebrews, though most likely not commonly so: see 1 Sam. xxxi. 12. Here it was absolutely necessary to get rid of the bodies in the shortest way, there being numbers dead of pestilence, and but few surviving hands to bury them. The manner of burning among the Romans has been particularly described. The corpse was carried without the city, and there laid on the funeral pile. This pile was in the shape of an altar, differing in height according to the quality of the deceased. The trees which were used were commonly those which had most pitch or rosin in them, and if they took any other wood, they split it for the more easy catching fire. The body was placed on the pile, with the couch or bed on which it lay. The nearest of kin lighted the pile, turning away the head to intimate that the work was not done willingly, but of necessity.

Ca. VII. 14.—SYCAMORE FIGS. The sycamore tree was formerly very common in Palestine, and grows there still. Its leaves resemble those of the mulberry, and its fruit that of the fig tree. This tree grows to a considerable height, and spreads to a great width. The trunk is of great thickness, and some could only be completely encircled by the arms of three or four men. Its fruit is common, and acceptable food among the poor. It grows in clusters on small shoots issuing from the trunk of the tree, but before ripening, it is the custom to rub or scrape it, which was probably the employment of Amos. How often has God selected his most faithful and useful servants from the most humble occupations!

Obadiah, 5.—GRAPE GATHERERS. The vintage in Palestine commences about the middle of September, and is continued into and through October. The grape was anciently a fruit of great importance, and cultivated with as much care as corn. Scripture abounds in references to it. The Moslems have caused some decrease in its growth, but though they do not drink wine, they are very fond of the grape itself. With regard to grape-gathering, Sir J. G. Wilkinson says, 'When the grapes were gathered, the bunches were carefully put into deep wicker baskets, which men carried either upon their heads or shoulders, or slung upon a yoke, to the wine-press; but when intended for eating, they were put like other fruits in flat open baskets, and generally covered with the leaves of the palm, vine, and other trees. These flat baskets were of wicker-work, and similar, no doubt, to those of the present day used at Cairo for the same purpose, and which are made of oalers or common twigs.

Jonah II. 10.—SPOT WHERE JONAH IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN CAST ASHORE. Our artist has taken this from La Borde, but he has not named the river on whose banks the caravansary stands. Here all is conjecture. Some have named the Red Sea, some the Tigris, some the Euxine Sea. But against these there are very strong objections. Probability is more in favour of the opinion that it was on the Syrian shore, or in the bay of Iasus, now called the gulf of Lazarro; or near Alexandria, or Alexandretta, now Scandaroon. But it has been asked, 'Why not on the shore of Palestine? and indeed, why not near the place from whence they sailed?' Others think it probable that this case of Jonah gave rise to the story of Arion, who was cast into the sea by the mariners, taken up by a dolphin, and carried to Corinth. Jonah's deliverance was a type of our Lord's resurrection from the dead on the third day, Mat. xii. 40, and a pledge of ours; for, after this instance of Divine power, 'why should it be thought a thing incredible that God should raise the dead?'

Micah IV. 4.—ORIENTAL VERANDAH. We see in this engraving one out of several methods of growing grapes in the East, by training them over a trellis-work, so as to form a sheltering arbour. Vine arbours were common in Egypt, one example of which appears in the Mosaic pavement of Præneste. But they were much more in use among the people of Palestine. It was usual for persons to sit under vines and fig trees to read, meditate, or pray, or converse together. Hence the phrase in the text became proverbial, in order to express the greatest tranquillity, security, and enjoyment of property. In troublous times, the suburban gardens, where the vines were most successfully cultivated, were not in a state of sufficient security for any to take repose under the expanded and broad-leaved vine; but it was expressive of a blessed state, when the vine owner could quietly visit his garden, and meditate in peace amidst the enjoyment of one of the sweetest luxuries in a scorching climate.

Zeph. II. 4.—ASHKELON. This was one of the proudest satrapies of the lords of the Philistines. It was celebrated for the strength of its fortifications. As late as the days of Constantine this city had a bishop, and was renowned in the time of the crusades. But the walls, the dwellings, and the people of Ashkelon have all perished. It has become "a desolation." Here we have a wonderful proof of the truth of prophecy. When Zephaniah predicted, 'Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation,' both these cities were in an equally flourishing condition: and, as Richardson the traveller justly observes, 'nothing but the prescience of heaven could pronounce on which of the two, and in what manner the toil of its wrath should be poured out. Gaza is truly without a king. The lofty towers of Ashkelon lie scattered on the ground, and the ruins within its walls do not shelter a human being. How is the wrath of man made to praise his Creator! Has he not said, 'I shall he not do it? The oracle was delivered by the mouth of the prophet more than 500 years before the Christian era, and we behold its accomplishment 1500 years after that event.

Ob. 9.—MOAB. The land of Moab lay to the east and south-east of Judea, and bordered on the east, north-east, and partly on the south of the Dead Sea. There are manifest and abundant vestiges of its ancient prosperousness. Captains Irby and Mangles say, 'The whole of the plains are covered with the sites of towns, on every eminence or spot convenient for the construction of one; and as the land is capable of rich cultivation, there can be no doubt that the country, now so deserted, once presented a picture of fertility.' These towns were numerous—subsisted for ages; many were naturally strong; others built on the richest soil, and amidst fertilizing streams—but all have passed away! The word of God had spoken it!

Zech. XIV. 20.—BELLS ON MULES AND CAMELS. On the monuments of Persepolis a bell is seen on a two-humped camel, and on a horse or mule, hung at the neck; and Niebuhr remarks that similar ones are now used in Arabia, &c., appended to camels, mules, and asses. In western Asia bells are much employed on baggage animals. The uses of the bells are said to be these: to encourage the animals to keep a caravan together, and to recall those who have strayed from their company. The idea here is, that the common affairs of life shall be conducted in a spirit of piety.

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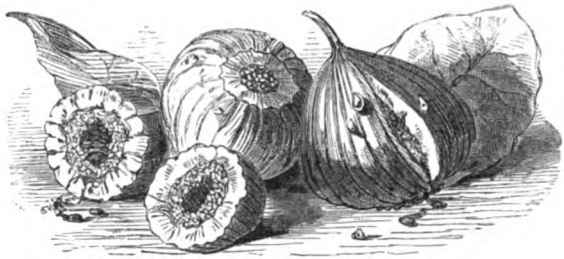


VALLEY OF JEHOSHAPHAT.—*From Nature.*—Joel iii. 2.



BURNING THE DEAD.—*Bardon.*—Amos vi. 10.

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SYCAMORE FIGS.—*From Nature.*—Amos vii. 14.



GRAPE-GATHERERS AND BASKETS.—Obadiah v. 5.



SUPPOSED SCENE OF JONAH'S SHIPWRECK.—*La Borde.*—Jonah ii. 10.

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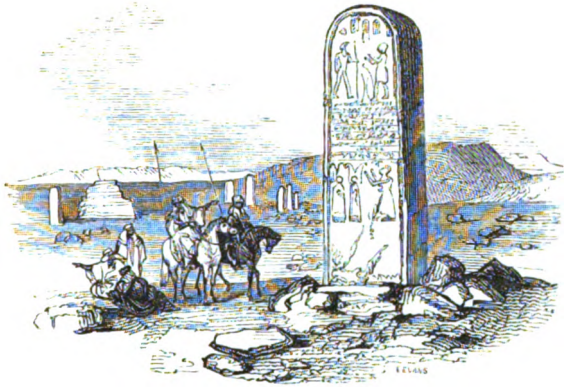


ORIENTAL VERANDAH.—*Original Sketch*.—Micah iv. 4.



RUINS OF ASHKELON.—*Forbin*.—Zeph. ii. 7.

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RUINS IN MOAB.—*La Borde.*—Zeph. ii. 9.



BELLS ON MULES AND CAMELS.—*Original Sketches.*—Zech. xiv. 20.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO ISAIAH.

Ch. I.—6. *Neither mollified with ointment.* Great use was made in Eastern nations of oil and various kinds of unguents in medicine. (See Luke x. 34.) The fruit of olives was used almost entirely for this purpose. 8. *As a cottage in a vineyard* Rather as 'a shed.' Alluding to the huts erected in vineyards to give shelter to the grape gatherers, and perhaps to those who were appointed to watch the vineyard and guard it from depredation. (See note and cut end of Isa.) 29. *Ashamed of the oaks.* Groves in ancient times were the favourite places of idolatrous worship. Those were commonly selected which were on hills or high places, and they were usually furnished with temples, altars, and all the implements of idolatrous worship. Different kinds of groves were selected for this purpose, by different people. The Druids of the ancient Celtic nations in Gaul, Britain, and Germany, offered their worship in groves of oak, hence the name Druid derived from the Greek *drucos*, oak. Most critics, however, concur in the opinion that the terebinth or turpentine tree, a sort of fir, is intended here rather than the oak. The groves or gardens were as deep and shady and dark as possible, to inspire the worshippers with religious awe and reverence on their entrance, though they might be as highly decorated as possible. 30. *A garden that hath no water.* In Eastern countries this image would be more striking than with us. In those hot regions a constant supply of water is necessary for the cultivation, and even for the very existence and preservation of a garden. Should it want water for a few days, everything in it would be burnt up with heat and totally destroyed. In all gardens, therefore, in those regions, there must be a constant supply of water, either from some neighbouring river, or from some fountain or reservoir within it. To secure such a fountain became an object of indispensable importance, not only for the coolness and pleasantness of the garden, but for the very existence of the vegetation. Dr. Russell, in his natural history of Aleppo, says, 'that all the gardens of Aleppo are on the banks of the river that runs by that city, or on the sides of the rill that supplies their aqueduct;' and all the rest of the suburbs is perfectly barren and totally burnt up in the summer months, the gardens only retaining their verdure, on account of the moistness of their situation.

Ch. II.—4. *Their swords into ploughshares.* The Syrian plough, which was probably used in all the regions round, is a very simple frame, and commonly so light, that a man of moderate strength might carry it in one hand. In Syria it is often nothing else than the branch of a tree, made to a certain shape, and used without wheels. It is drawn by asses and cows, seldom by oxen, often by a little cow, at most with two, and sometimes only by an ass. In Persia it is for the most part drawn by one ox only, and not unfrequently even by an ass, although it is more ponderous than in Palestine. With such an imperfect instrument the Syrian husbandman can do little more than scratch the surface of his field, or clear away the stones or weeds that encumber it and prevent the seed from reaching the soil. The ploughshare is a piece of iron, broad but not large, which tips the end of the shaft. So much does it resemble the broad sword used by the ancient warriors, that it may, with very little trouble, be converted into that deadly weapon; and when the work of destruction is over, reduced again to its former shape and applied to the purposes of agriculture.—Paxton. *Pruninghooks.* Hooks or long knives for pruning vines. 6. *Replenished from the east.* That is, Arabia, Persia, Chaldea, &c., the countries where astrology, soothsaying, and divination, particularly abounded. (See Deut. xviii. 9—11; Dan. ii. 2.) *Soothsayers.* Persons auguring from the appearance of the clouds. 20. *To the bats.* The East may be termed the country of bats; they hang by hundreds and thousands in caves, ruins, and under the roofs of large buildings. Among the Hindoos the name of these offensive animals is an epithet of contempt.—Roberts.

Ch. III.—1. *The whole stay of bread.* Bread is the principal food of men in all countries, but especially in the East; for it is observed by Dr. Shaw, 'that the people of the Eastern nations are great eaters of bread; it being computed that three persons in four live entirely upon it, or else upon such compositions as are made of barley and wheat flour.' 'The principal nourishment of the Orientals' says Niebuhr, 'is fresh baked bread; and, therefore, they take especial care not to want for meal when they travel in the desert.' 16 *Stretched forth necks.* When in India the females dance, they stretch forth their necks and hold them awry, as if their heads were about to fall from their shoulders.—Roberts. *Tinkling with their feet.* Ankle-rings or bracelets being worn. Michaelis says, 'In Syria and the neighbouring provinces, the more opulent females bind ligatures around their feet, like chains, or bracelets, united by small chains of silver and gold, and exhibit them by their sound as they walk.' 18. *The bravery of their tinkling ornaments.* They were accustomed to make a noise with them to attract attention. *Their round tires like the moon.* This refers to small ornaments in the shape of half moons usually worn on the neck. They were also sometimes worn by men and even by camels. (Judges viii. 21, 26.) It is probable that these ornaments might originally have had some reference to the moon as an object of worship. But it does not appear that they were so worn by the females of Judea. They are still worn by the females of Arabia.—Rosenmuller. 19. *The chains.* These consist, first of one moat beautifully worked, with a pendant ornament for the neck; there is also a profusion of others, which go round the same part, and rest on the bosom. In making curious chains the goldsmiths of England do not surpass those of the East.—Roberts. *The wimples.* Supposed to mean a light thin veil. There were various sorts of veils, the one here intended is described by an Arabian scholiast, as drawn tight over the upper part of the head, but the part around the eyes is open, and a space left to see through, and the lower part is left loose and flowing. 20. *The bonnets.* Turbans, worn by priests, bridegrooms, and women. (Ex. xxxi. 28; Isa. lxi. 10; Ezec. xxiv. 17.) Their form is familiar to us. *Ornaments of the legs.* The word, says the Arabian scholiast, denotes a small chain, with which females, when they walk, connect their feet in order to make their steps equal. *Tablets.* Thought to signify smelling boxes of perfumes. 21. *Rings, and nose jewels.* (See note and cut tion. xxiv. 23.) 22. *Changeable suits.* The fashions in the East never change, the ladies therefore can wear their grandmothers' dresses and make a perfectly new and pretty dress. *Mantles.* The fuller tunic which was worn over the common one with sleeves, and which reached down to the feet. Some describe it as a loose robe crossing the bosom. *Wimples.* Understood to mean a large shawl, 'probably,' says Roberts, 'a Cashmere which is sometimes thrown over the head and body.' *Crisping pins.* The learned understood rather 'money bags, or purses;' these were often made very large and very highly ornamented. 23. *The glasses.* Females of Eastern nations carry mirrors to examine and adjust their dress. (See note and cut Ex. xxxviii. 8.) *Fine linen.* This was of Egyptian manufacture. The rich man wore such. (Luke xvi. 19.) *Veils.* A larger sort worn in the East, may be here intended. 24. *Sweet smell.* The Easterns perfume their apartments and persons with aromatics. *A girdle.* Girdles were necessary to bind the loose and flowing garments when dancing, running, or labouring. *Well set hair.* So much pains do the Eastern ladies take in braiding their hair, that Miss Pardoe says, in the 'City and Sultan,' that after taking a bath, the slaves who attended her spent an hour and a half in dressing and adorning her hair. *A stomacher.* Perhaps a stiffened ornament, now occasionally seen and worn on the breast. 26. *Her gates.* The places of concourse at the entrance of cities.

Ch. V.—2. *A tower.* Meaning an edifice sufficiently high for the keeper of the vineyard to see every part of it. Schultens says, that travelling through that part of Palestine which formerly belonged to the tribe of Judah, he saw buildings of this sort in almost every vineyard. *Wild grapes.* Hasselquist is inclined to think that the prophet here means the bearry nightshade, because it is common in Egypt, Palestine, and the East, and the Arabian name agrees well with it. The Arabs give it a name signifying 'wolf grapes.' 'The prophet,' he says, 'could not have found a plant more opposite to the vine than this, for it grows much in the vineyards, and is very pernicious to them; therefore they root it out. It likewise resembles a vine by its shrubby stalk.' 5. *Hedge—wall.* Kimchi remarks, that vineyards were surrounded with a thorn-hedge, and also a wall of stones to defend the hedge. This double defence is still used in the East. 11. *That rise up early—that they may follow strong drink.* The Persians, when they commit a debauch

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arise betimes, and esteem the morning as the best time for beginning to drink wine, by which means they carry on their excess till night. 12. *The harp, and the viol, &c.* Music universally attends Eastern feasts.

Ch. VI.—3. *He covered his feet.* Chardin remarks, that when a person sits down in the East, it is a great mark of respect to conceal his feet, and to look down on the ground.

Ch. VII.—15. *Butter.* Butter is not used in the East; but this means thick and curdled milk, which is still in use. 18, 19. *The Lord shall hiss for the fly—And they shall come, &c.* Flies are, from their infinite number and habits, almost a plague now in Egypt, especially that part here called 'the end of the rivers,' the six or seven branches by which the Nile flows through 'the Delta' into the sea, or those parts which lay beyond them. The overflowing populousness of Egypt, which gave rise to the comparison, is noticed by all the ancients. The fly, according to Bruce, is called 'zimb,' and is very little larger than a bee. 'As soon as this plague appears, and a buzzing is heard, all the cattle forsake their food, and run wildly about the plain till they die, worn out with fatigue, fright, and hunger. No remedy remains but to leave the black earth, and hasten down to the sands of Atbara, and there they remain while the rains last. Even the camel, with his thick skin defended with strong hair, is not able to sustain the violent punctures the fly makes with his pointed proboscis, for his body, head, and legs break out into large bosses, which swell, break, and putrefy, to his certain destruction. Even the elephant and rhinoceros, who by reason of their enormous bulk, and the vast quantity of food and water they daily need, cannot shift to deserts and dry places as the season may require, are obliged to roll themselves in mud and mire, which, when dry, coats them over, and enables them to stand their ground against this winged assailant: yet I have found some of these tubercles upon almost every elephant and rhinoceros I have seen.

Ch. VIII.—1. *A great roll.* The Eastern people roll their papers and do not fold them, because their paper is apt to fret. The Egyptian papyrus was formerly much used; the brittle nature of it made it proper to roll what they wrote, and the practice may have been continued even with materials which might safely have been treated in another manner.—Harmer. Roll here more properly means tablet. Tablets for writing were made of wood, metal, or stone. On these tablets, or smooth plates, writing was performed by cutting the letters with an iron stylus or small chisel. The process was slow, but the writing was permanent. They sometimes used the thick bark, and, or the bark of trees, and subsequently the papyrus of Egypt; but Isaiah evidently refers to a plate of metal, on which his prophecy was to be permanently engraved. *A man's pen.* The iron stylus which was to engrave or cut the letters in the metal or wood.—Barnes. 6. *The waters of Shiloah that go softly.* The fountain of Siloar rises at the foot of Mount Zion or Mount Ophel, and flows away in a gentle and pure stream.

Ch. IX.—4. *Staff of his shoulder.* This was a piece of wood fitted to the shoulders of the Eastern porters, with a basket at each end for carrying weights, very much like the yoke which our people use in carrying milk pails. 5. *This shall be with burnings.* To burn heaps of armour, collected after a battle, was customary among some heathen nations, and considered as an offering to the god who was supposed to give the victory.

Ch. XI.—8. *The asp.* The poison of this serpent is of such rapid operation that it kills almost instantly. Its bite was regarded as incurable. This serpent is small. It is found particularly in Egypt and in other places. It is here used as the emblem of that which is deadly and destructive. *Cockatrice.* A fabulous kind of a serpent; was supposed to have been hatched from the egg of a cock. A species of the adder is here doubtless intended.

Ch. XIII.—19. *Babylon, the glory of kingdoms.* After Nineveh was destroyed, Babylon became the queen of the East. Semiramis founded it, but Nebuchadnezzar made it one of the wonders of the world, by enlarging and beautifying it. Besides its walls and its gates, elsewhere described, and its temple of Belus, built upon a base of a quarter of a mile square, he erected a most magnificent palace, and the famous hanging gardens, which were an artificial mountain, raised upon arches and planted with trees of the largest as well as the most beautiful sorts. The old palace was four miles in compass; the new, built by Nebuchadnezzar, was four times as large. Two canals were made by Nebuchadnezzar a hundred miles above the city; one on the eastern side of the Euphrates called Nabarmalcha, or the royal river, by which the Euphrates was let into the Tigris; the other on the western side, called Pallacopas or Ardahoga, the river of the pool, by which the redundant waters of the Euphrates were carried into a vast lake forty miles square, contrived, not only to lessen the inundation, but for a reservoir, with sluices to water the barren country; on the Arabian side there were also prodigious banks of brick and bitumen carried a long way on each side of the river, to keep it within its channel. The city was a regular square of forty-five miles in compass. 20. *It shall never be inhabited.* Babylon never recovered its ancient splendour after it was taken by Cyrus, but upon the removal of the seat of empire from thence by the Persians, by degrees decayed till it was at last reduced to an utter solitude. Bersesus, in Josephus, says, that Cyrus ordered the outer walls to be pulled down; the Persian kings ever regarded Babylon with a jealous eye; Darius Hystaspes, upon a revolt, greatly depopulated the place, lowered the walls, and demolished the gates: Xerxes destroyed the temples; the building of Seleucia on the Tigris exhausted Babylon by its neighbourhood, as was also by the immediate loss of inhabitants taken away by Seleucus to people his new city; a king of the Parthians soon after carried away into slavery a great number, and destroyed the most beautiful parts of the city. In more modern times, St. Jerome, who lived in the fourth century, mentions Babylon as nothing more than a chase for wild beasts to feed and breed there for the king of Persia's hunting. From Ranwolf's testimony it appears, that in the sixteenth century there was not a house left to be seen; and now the eye wanders over a barren desert, in which the ruins are nearly the only indication that it had ever been inhabited. It is impossible to behold this scene, and not to be reminded how exactly the predictions of Isaiah and Jeremiah have been fulfilled. Babylon is ruined at the will of the Ottoman, the Israelites, and the sons of Ishmael. It is a tenantless and desolate metropolis.—See Keppel, Mignar, Keith. *Neither shall it be dwelt in, &c.* The following testimonies of travellers will show how this is accomplished. Rich compares the ruins of Babylon, of heaps of rubbish impregnated with nitre, cannot be cultivated. The decomposing materials of a Babylonian structure doom the earth on which they perish to lasting sterility. On this part of the Euphrates plain, both where traces of buildings are, and where none stood, all seemed equally naked of vegetation; the whole ground appearing as if it had been washed over and over again by the coming and receding waters, till every bit of genial soil was swept away, and a half-clay, half-sand surface being left in ridgy streaks, like what is often seen on the flat shores of the sea after the retreating of the tide. The ground is low and marshy, and presents not the slightest vestige of former buildings of any description whatever. The ruins of Babylon are here so undistinguished, so as to render many parts of them inaccessible, by converting the valleys among them into morasses.—Rich. Porter, Buckingham. *Neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there.* The Arabians dwell chiefly in tents, and were a wandering people engaged in traffic, which was conducted in caravans travelling on from place to place. Babylon is here represented as not affording a resting place even for a night. *Neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.* Babylon is situated in the midst of a most fertile region. It might be supposed that though it was destroyed it might still furnish pasturage for flocks. But no; once so fertile it has become barren and unproductive, for the whole region round about Babylon was laid under water by the Euphrates after the city was taken, and became a stagnant pool, and of course an unfit place for flocks. It was, as before stated, reduced to an extended scene of ruins—its walls being decayed and its temples sunk into piles of ruins—and on those extended scenes of broken walls, of bricks, and cement, no grass would grow. It is said that the Arabs cannot be persuaded to remain a single night on the spot, from the superstitious dread of evil spirits. 22. *Wild beasts, &c.* 'There are many dens of wild beasts in various parts.' 'There are quantities of porcupine quills.' 'In most of the cavities are numberless bats and owls.' 'These caverns, over which the chambers of majesty have been spread, are now the refuge of jackals and other savage animals. The mouths of their entrances are strewed with the bones of sheep and goats, and the loathsome smell that issues from most of them is sufficient warning not to proceed into the den.' 'The mound was full of large holes; we entered some of them and found them strewed with the carcases and skeletons of animals recently killed. The odour of wild beasts was so strong that prudence got the better of curiosity, for we had no doubt as to the savage na-

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ture of the inhabitants; our guides, indeed, told us that all the ruins abounded in lions and other wild beasts.' So literally has the prediction been fulfilled. —See Sir R. K. Porter—Keppel.

Ch. XIV.—22. *I will also make it—pools of water.* Cyrus took the city of Babylon by diverting the waters of the Euphrates, which ran through the midst of it, and entering the place at night by the channel. It was two furlongs wide, but he had made it fordable by means of the lake and trenches which he had prepared. The river being thus turned by the breaking down of dams and banks, and no care taken afterwards to repair the breach, all the country was overflowed and drowned, and ultimately a whole province lost. Alexander, who intended to have made Babylon the seat of his empire, set about remedying the mischief; but difficulties arising, he soon after dying, and the work being never more thought of, that country has remained bog and marsh ever since. —See Prideaux. 28. *Whole Palestine.* We apply the name Palestine to the whole land of Canaan. Formerly the name referred only to Philistia, from which we have derived the name Palestine.

Ch. XVI.—1. *Send ye the lamb.* Tribute was so paid. The king of Moab sent 100,000 lambs to the king of Israel. (2 Kings iii. 4.) It is still a custom of the East for the poor people to make presents of lambs and sheep to their lords, as an offering or tribute. *Sela.* That is 'the rock.' The Greek translation reads 'Petra,' and it is generally agreed that it means the city of Petra, afterwards so celebrated; anciently the metropolis of Arabia Petræa, but in the possession of Moab at the time referred to by Isaiah. Its magnificent ruins have, within a few years, been discovered by Burckhardt, Irby, Mangles, and by Leigh, Irby, and Mangles, it has been described; but still more minutely by Laborde and Linant, whose work contains splendid engravings of the ruins. It is situated in the Wady Mousa—a valley with a stream in the mountainous district called Djebal-Shera, (Seir) and about two days' journey from the southern extremity of the Dead Sea. Here, in an area enclosed by red sandstone rocks, are found mausoleums, temples, statues, colonnades, obelisks, a triumphal arch, an amphitheatre, &c., and all of the most gigantic and imposing dimensions. The rocks on all sides are full of excavated sepulchres, and on every hand are marks of ancient magnificence. To no place could the name of Sela, or Petra, with greater propriety have been applied; the houses of the inhabitants having been hewn out of the solid rock. Petra, when this prophecy was written, was in the possession of Moab. 2. *Fords of Arnon.* Arnon was the northern boundary of the land of Moab. The river Arnon, or Mojeb Mujeb flows in a deep, frightfully wild, and rocky vale of the same name, in a narrow bed, and forms at this time the boundary between the provinces of Belka and Karrak.

Ch. XIX.—7. *The paper reeds.* The papyrus is the peculiar produce of the Nile, the streams drawn from it, and the lakes of Egypt. Besides the principal articles made from it,—paper, and the boats on the Nile,—Pliny tells us, that the Egyptians applied it to various purposes, using the root for wood, and making of the bark sails, ropes, clothes, &c.—Vitringa. 13. *Zoan*—or Tanis. This was one of the principal cities in Lower Egypt, and furnished councillors for state matters. Its sculptured monuments testify to its splendour 3190 years ago. Extensive ruins are still visible around the spot where it is ascertained that it stood, and several obelisks and other monuments of former magnificence have been found among them. *Noph.* The same as Memphis. It was the residence of the ancient kings of Egypt until the time of the Ptolemies, who commonly resided at Alexandria. Memphis retained its splendour until it was conquered by the Arabians about A.D. 641. It was the second capital and celebrated necropolis of Egypt. An immense number of mummies have been discovered in and around the spot where it stood, many of them between two and three thousand years old. The city stood within four or five miles east of Old Cairo, on the opposite bank of the Nile, and appears to have occupied the whole space between the pyramids of Gisch, and those of Sacarah. According to Josephus, it was founded by Menes, the first of the Egyptian kings, upwards of thirteen hundred years before the time of Solomon. A colossus, and fragments of several statues, bearing the name of Rameses the Great, are still met with among the ruins; but otherwise every vestige of its former grandeur has completely disappeared. In the twelfth century Edrisi describes its ruins as extending nine miles in every direction, but even then containing works of the most stupendous character. Among others, he mentions a monolithic temple of granite, thirteen feet and a half high, twelve long, and seven broad, entirely covered within and without with inscriptions and statues of great beauty and dimensions, one of which was 45 feet high, and consisting of a single block of red granite.

Ch. XX.—2. *Walking naked and barefoot.* This was a sign of captivity. Multitudes of prisoners taken by the Assyrians, and reserved for sale as slaves, would be driven before them barefoot and uncovered, save with a short garment, which scarcely sufficed to hide their nakedness; the prophet, therefore, was ordered to walk abroad in the same manner. There is no reason to suppose that the least particle of clothing was allowed to many of the captives. See the monuments of Egypt in proof that such barbarity was not then unusual. We must not judge of that age and country by the notions of delicacy now prevalent with us.

Ch. XXI.—1. *The desert of the sea.* This name is given to Babylon because a flat country, full of lakes, and abundantly watered with the many streams of the Euphrates. This river divided Babylon into two parts; and, running to the south, made great marshes and lakes, in which was that celebrated pond, Pallacopa, into which, on its overflow, it was carried by a canal, so that it seemed like a sea, during Babylon, as all the ancients testify. Herodotus says, 'that before Semiramis restrained it by embankments, the river overflowed all the plain like the sea.' Abydenus, according to Eusebius, says of the site of Babylon, 'they say that all this region of Assyria was overflowed and called the sea.' *Whirlwinds in the south.* Whirlwinds or tempests are often, in Scripture, represented as coming from the south. The burning sands of Arabia Deserta situated to the south of Palestine, and whirlwinds are described as arising there, and sweeping over the neighbouring regions. 2. *Elam.* The Persæ, called anciently Elymaeor. They were ferocious and warlike. 5. *Anoint the shield.* Of whatever materials shields were made, whether of brass, or of wood covered with skins, they must sometimes be anointed, lest the skin, becoming too dry, should crack and burst open at the stroke of a sword.—Rosenmuller. 11. *Dumah.* A name for Idumea or Edom.

Ch. XXII.—1. *Wholly gone up to the housetops.* The Eastern houses are built with a court within, into which chiefly the windows open; those that open to the street being so obstructed with lattice work, that they can see through but little. Hence, therefore, anything is to be seen or heard in the streets, any public spectacle, or any alarm, every one immediately goes up to the housetop to satisfy his curiosity. Hence, all the people running to the tops of their houses, give a lively image of a sudden general alarm. 16. *A sepulchre on high.* There are some monuments still remaining in Persia of great antiquity, called Nakai Rustam, which give a clear idea of Shebna's pompous design for his sepulchre. They consist of several sepulchres, each of them hewn in a high rock near the top. The front of the rock, to the valley below, is adorned with carved work in relievo, being the outside of the sepulchre. Some of these sepulchres are about thirty feet in the perpendicular from the valley, which is itself raised perhaps about half as much by the accumulation of the earth since they were made. It was customary in this manner for kings in the East in general, and other persons of high rank and dignity, to have magnificent sepulchres excavated in the solid rock for themselves, families, and those of their relatives, were deposited in sarcophagi. Besides Persepolis, Petra and other places are examples, and such sepulchres are still visible in the rocks about Jerusalem. 18. *Toss thee like a ball.* From this expression it is inferred that sports were in use among the Hebrews, either for amusement or invigorating the frame for war.—So Henry. 22. *The key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder.* How much was I delighted when I first saw the people, especially the women going along the streets with each his key on his shoulder. The handle is generally made of brass, though sometimes of silver, and is often nicely worked in a device of filigree. The way it is carried is to have the corner of the kerchief tied to the ring, the key is then placed on the shoulder, and the kerchief hangs down in front. For a man thus to march along with a large key on his shoulder, shows at once that he is a person of consequence.—Roberts. 23. *As a nail in a sure place.* Alluding to the nails, or spikes, or pins, or pegs, driven into the ground to fasten the cords of tents, or driven into walls, and on which were suspended the garments or the utensils of a family. In ancient times every house was furnished with a large number of these pegs or nails, they having been worked in the wall when the house was built. The houses were usually made of stone, and strong iron hooks or spikes were

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worked into the mortar while soft. These answered the double purpose of nails to hang things on, and of cramp irons, as they were so bent as to hold the walls together. It was the custom to suspend on these, in houses and temples, suits of armour, shields, helmets, swords, &c. 24. *And they shall hang upon him—all vessels.* A great portion of the wealth of the ancients consisted in the great quantity of gold and silver vessels which they had for various uses, as well as changes of raiment.

Ch. XXIII.—1. *Tyre.* There were two cities of this name; one on the continent and the other about half a mile from the shore, four miles in circumference. Old Tyre resisted Nebuchadnezzar thirteen years; then the inhabitants carried the city, so to speak, to the island. This new city held out against Alexander the Great for seven months, who, to take it, was obliged to fill up the channel which separated it from the main land. In A.D. 1289, it was wholly destroyed by the sultan of Egypt, and now contains only a few huts, in which about fifty or sixty wretched families exist. *Ships of Tarshish.* The Tarshish here referred to was doubtless a celebrated city or country of Spain, and was the most celebrated emporium to which the Phœnicians traded. *Cittim.* The island Cyprus. So Josephus. 2. *The merchants of Zidon.* Tyre was a colony from Sidon, and the merchants of Sidon would trade to Tyre as well as to Sidon. 4. *Zidon.* Sidon was one of the oldest cities in the world. The Sidonians, when their city was taken by the king of Ascalon, betook themselves to their ships and landed and built Tyre. 6. *Howl, ye inhabitants.* Deep grief among the Orientals was usually expressed by a loud and long, and most melancholy and dismal howl or shriek. 16. *Sing as an harlot.* The harlots or courtesans of ancient times were distinguished for their exterior accomplishments, and particularly excelled in music.

Ch. XXIV.—20. *Removed like a cottage.* This rather means a temporary shed or lodge for the watchman of a garden or vineyard while the fruit is ripening. (See note and cut end of Isa.) Sometimes these cottages were erected, as we have before mentioned, in the form of a hut; but sometimes they were a species of hanging bed or couch, suspended from the limbs of trees. They were made either by interweaving the limbs of a tree, or by suspending them by cords from the branches of trees, or by extending a cord or cords from one tree to another, and laying a couch or bed on the cords. They were thus made to afford a convenient place for observation, and also to afford security from the access of wild beasts. Travellers in the East even now resort to such a temporary lodge for security; but it was liable to be tossed hither and thither in a storm, to the no small peril of its inhabitant.

Ch. XXV.—4. *A storm against the wall.* The walls of Babylon were thrown down by torrents of rain, from time to time washing them away, like the walls of the houses of Damascus, where, in any such rain, the whole city becomes a quagmire.—Maundrell.

Ch. XXVII.—11. *The women come, and set them on fire.* The gathering of fuel in the East belonged to females, on whom devolved the baking and other culinary occupations. Besides dung, which was most generally in use, thorns, vine twigs, &c. were collected for this purpose.

Ch. XXVIII.—4. *As the hasty fruit before the summer.* This denotes the early fig, which ripens in June, while the common fig does not ripen until August. Shaw, in his Travels, says, 'No sooner does the early fig (the bocore) draw near to perfection in the middle or latter end of June, than the kermes or summer fig, begins to be formed, though it rarely ripens before August, about which time the same tree frequently throws out a third crop, or winter fig as we may call it. 27. *For the fitches are not threshed, &c.* Several methods of threshing are here mentioned, all of which are at the present time common in the East, as adapted to different kinds of grain. The *threshing instrument* and the *cart wheel* refer to an instrument which is still in use in the East. Niebuhr, in his travels in Arabia, says, 'In threshing their corn, the Arabians lay the sheaves down in a certain order, and then lead over them two oxen, dragging a large stone;' and in another place he says, 'They use oxen as the ancients did to treat out their corn, by trampling on the sheaves, and dragging after them a cumsy machine. This machine is not, as in Arabia, a stone cylinder; nor a plank with sharp stones, as in Syria; but a sort of sledge consisting of three rollers, fitted with irons which turn upon axles. A farmer chooses out a level spot in the fields, and has his corn carried thither in sheaves upon asses or dromedaries. Two oxen are then yoked in a sledge; a driver then gets upon it and drives them backwards and forwards (or in a circle) upon the sheaves, and fresh oxen succeed in the yoke from time to time. By this operation the sheaf is very much cut down; it is then winnowed, and the grain thus separated. This machine is called naurij. It has three rollers which turn on three axles, and each of them is furnished with some irons which are round and flat. Two oxen were made to draw over the grain, again and again, the sledge above mentioned; and this was done with the greatest convenience to the driver, for he was seated on a chair fixed on a sledge.' (See note Deut. xxv. 4, and note and cut 1 Chron. xxi. 23.) The *cart wheel* is described by Burchart, as consisting of a cart or wagon with wheels adapted to crush or thresh the grain. This, he says, was used by the Carthaginians, who came from the vicinity of Canaan. This instrument seems to have been made with serrated wheels, perhaps almost in the form of circular saws, by which the straw was cut fine at the same time that the grain was separated from the chaff.

Ch. XXX.—6. *Fiery flying serpent.* Niebuhr mentions a sort of serpent, as does Pliny also, that twirl themselves by the tail to a branch of one date tree, and so spring to the branches of another; hence the modern Arabs call them flying serpents. Anson speaks of flying serpents at the island of Quibo; they darted themselves from the boughs of trees upon man and beast, but were without wings. 'Probably,' says Harmhurst, 'these mentioned by Isaiah here, and Ch. xiv. 29, were of this species.' 13. *As a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall.* The buildings in Asia generally consist in little better than what we call mud-walls. They are constructed of clay or soft brick dried in the sun, and are extremely liable to rend and be washed down by rain. 14. *A sherd to take fire, &c.* This allusion may be seen illustrated every morning in the East. Should the good woman's fire have been extinguished in the night, she takes a potsherd to the neighbour, and goes to her oven for a little fire to rekindle her own. Not having pumps, they are obliged to have something to take water from the well or tank. Of a very poor country it is said, "The wretchedness is so great they have not a sherd with which to take water from the tank."—Roberts. 33. *Tophet*—or Hinnom. (See note on 2 Kings xxiii. 10.) In subsequent times it became the receptacle of all the filth of the city; and hence, in order to purify the atmosphere and prevent contagion, it was needful to keep fires there continually burning. In Isaiah thus it most striking emblem of hell-fire: and as such is used in the New Testament.

Ch. XXXII.—2. *As the shadow of a great rock.* In Eastern countries, in a burning desert of sand, nothing is more grateful than the cooling shade of a far-projecting rock. It not only excludes the rays of the sun, but it has itself a refreshing coolness that is most grateful to a weary traveller. Campbell, in his Travels in Africa, makes a particular observation on the shadow of the rock. 'Well does the traveller remember a day in the wilds of Africa, where the country was chiefly covered with burning sand, when scorched with the powerful rays of an almost vertical sun, the thermometer in the shade standing at 130 degrees, he remembers long looking hither and thither for something that would afford protection from the almost insupportable heat, and where the least motion of air felt like a flame coming against the face. At length he espied a huge loose rock leaning against the brow of a small cliff which faced the south, to which he fled for refuge underneath its inviting shade. The coolness emitted from this rocky canopy he found exquisitely exhilarating. The wild beasts of the desert were all fled to their dens, and the feathered songsters were all roosting among the thickest foliage they could find of evergreen trees. The whole creation around seemed to groan, as if their vigour had been entirely exhausted. A small river was providentially at hand, to the side of which, after a while, he ventured, and sipped a little of its cooling water, which tasted better than the best burgundy or the finest old hock in the world. During all this enjoyment, the above apropos text was the interesting subject of the traveller's meditation; though the allusion, as a figure, must fall infinitely short of that which is meant to be prefigured by it. 20. *That sow beside all waters.* Sir John Chardin says, that 'they sow the rice upon the water, and before sowing, while the earth is covered with water, they cause the ground to be trodden by oxen, horses, and asses, who go mud-leg deep, and this is the way they prepare the ground for sowing.'

Ch. XXXIII.—21. *A place of broad rivers and streams.* Campbell, the African traveller, gives a happy illus-

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tration of this passage, showing the importance of such benefits. 'In such a highly cultivated country as England, and where great drought is almost unknown, we have not an opportunity to observe the fertilising influence of a broad river; but in South Africa, where almost no human means are employed for improving the land, the benign influence of rivers is most evident. The Great, or Orange river is a remarkable instance of this. I travelled on its banks, at one time, for five or six weeks; when, for several hundred miles, I found both sides of it delightfully covered with trees of various kinds, all in health and vigour and abundance of the richest verdure; but all the country beyond the reach of its influence was a complete desert. Every thing appeared to be struggling for mere existence: so that we might be said to have the wilderness on one side, and a kind of paradise on the other.'

Ch. XXXIV.—10. *From generation to generation it shall lie waste.* Burckhardt has given the following description of the eastern boundary of Edom, and of the adjoining part of Arabia Petræa. It might with truth be called Petræa, not only on account of its rocky mountains, but also of its elevated plain, Shera Seir, the territory of the Edomites, which is so much covered with stones, especially flints, that it may with great propriety be called a stony desert although susceptible of cultivation: in many places it is grown over with wild herbs, and must once have been thickly inhabited, for the traces of many towns and villages are met with on both sides of the Hadj road between Maan and Akabe, as well as between Maan and the plain of Hasmara, in which direction also are many springs. At present all this country is a desert, and Maan is the only inhabited place in it. *None shall pass through it for ever and ever.* Volney says, 'The country has not been visited by any traveller, but it well merits such attention.' Burckhardt says, after he had entered on the north-east, the territories of the Edomites, that he was without protection in the midst of a desert where no traveller had ever before been seen. He adds, 'it was then, that for the first time, he had ever felt fear during his travels in the desert, and his route thither was the most dangerous he ever travelled.' Seetzen, on a piece of paper pasted against the wall, notified his having penetrated the country in a direct line between the Dead Sea and Mount Sinai, through the route which he before accomplished. Burckhardt had determined to attempt to pass the same way, as being the shortest way to Jerusalem, but he was repeatedly told it was impossible: and the difficulty of the journey is illustrated in the travels of Captains Irby and Mangles. They offered five hundred piastres to an Arab tribe if they would conduct them to Wady Mousa, but nothing would induce them to consent. They said they would not go if we gave them five thousand piastres, observing that money was no use to a man if he lost his life. 11. *The owl also and the raven shall dwell in it.* Captain Mangles relates, that while he and his fellow travellers were examining the ruins and contemplating the sublime scenery of Petræa, 'the roaming of the eagles, hawks, and owls, which were soaring above their heads in considerable numbers, seemingly annoyed at any one approaching their lonely habitation, added much to the singularity of the scene.'

Ch. XXXV.—6. *Then shall the lame man leap, &c.—In the wilderness shall waters, &c.* This is an expressive image to those accustomed to cross the desert. Campbell says, 'lameness and dumbness are the uniform effects of long travel in a desert; sand and gravel produce the former, fatigue the latter. In such cases some of us have walked hours together without uttering a sentence, and all walked as if crippled from the sand and gravel getting into the shoes; but the sight of water, especially if unexpected, unloosed every tongue, and gave agility to every limb; men, oxen, sheep, and dogs, ran with speed and expressions of joy to the refreshing element.'—Travels in Africa. 7. *The parched ground.* Rather as Lowth reads it, 'the glowing sand.' It refers to the phenomena which is produced by the refraction of the rays of the sun on the glowing sands of a desert, and which gives the appearance of a sea or lake of water, so that the most experienced travellers are often deceived. This phenomenon is witnessed in the deserts of Arabia and Egypt, and has been also seen occasionally in the south of France and in Russia. The French call it *mirage.*

Ch. XL.—11. *He shall feed his flock, &c.—and shall gently lead, &c.* Dr. Shaw says, 'the greatest skill and vigilance, and even tender care, are required in the management of such immense flocks as wander on the Syrian plains. Their prodigious numbers compel the keepers to remove them too frequently in search of fresh pastures, which proves very destructive to the young that have not strength to follow.' Anderson, speaking of the Grecian shepherd and his flock, says, 'All day long the shepherd attends his flock, leading them into green pastures near fountains of water, and chooses a convenient place for them to rest at noon.' At night he drives them near his tent, and if there is danger, encloses them in the fold. They know his voice and follow him. When *travelling* he tenderly watches over them, and *carries such as are exhausted in his arms.*' 24. *And the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.* Mr. Bruce, in his journey through the desert of Samaria, says, 'That in a vast expanse of desert from west and to north-west of him, he saw a number of prodigious pillars of sand at different distances, moving at times with great celerity, at others, stalking on with majestic slowness; at intervals, he thought they were coming in a very few minutes to overwhelm him and his companion. Again, they would retreat so as to be almost out of sight, their tops reaching the very clouds; their tops often separated from the bodies; and these, once disjoined, dispersed in the air, and appeared no more. Sometimes they were broken near the middle, as if struck with a large cannon shot. About noon they began to advance with considerable swiftness upon them, the wind being very strong at north. Eleven of these awful visitors ranged alongside of them, about the distance of three miles. The nearest diameter of the largest appeared to him, at that distance, as if it would measure ten feet. They retired from them with wind at south-east, leaving an impression on the mind of the intrepid traveller to which he could give no name—he felt wonder and astonishment. He declares it was in vain to think of flying: the swiftest horse or fastest sailing ship could be of no use to carry them out of this danger, and the full persuasion of this rivetted him to the spot where he stood.'

Ch. XLI.—16. *Thou shalt fan them, &c.* Niebuhr tells us, that two parcels or layers of corn are threshed out in a day, and they move each of them as many as eight times with a wooden fork of five prongs, which they call meidre. Afterwards they throw the straw into the middle of the ring, where it forms a heap which grows bigger and bigger; when the first layer is thrashed they replace the straw in the ring and thrash it as before. Thus, the straw becomes every time smaller, till at last it resembles chopped straw. After this, with their fork, they cast the whole some yards from thence, and against the wind, which, driving beside the straw, the corn and red husks out fall apart from it and make another heap. A man collects the clods of earth and other impurities, to which any corn adheres, and throws them into a sieve. They afterwards place in a ring the heaps, in which a good many entire ears will be found, and drive over them, for four or five hours together, a dozen couple of oxen, joined two and two; till by absolute trampling they have separated the grains, which they throw into the air with a shovel to cleanse them.

Ch. XLII.—11. *The wilderness and the cities thereof.* The Hebrews gave the name of wilderness, or desert, to those regions that were mostly uncultivated, or sparsely inhabited, though there were in those places villages or cities. They were regions that were chiefly devoted to pasturage, and not cultivated by the plough; or regions of vast plains of sand and far-extended barrenness, with here and there an oasis on which a city might be built. Thus Solomon "built cities in the wilderness," and we know that Palmyra, and Bosra, and Sela, were large cities that were built in the midst of regions that were generally to be regarded as deserts or wastes. *The villages.* Most of the Arabs dwell in tents, and frequently remove from one place to another; but there are many of them who dwell in villages. Even in Arabia Deserta there were many such villages. *Kedar doth inhabit.* Kedar was a son of Ishmael (Gen. xxv. 13), the father of the Keidaremans or Cedrei, mentioned by Pliny, who dwell in the vicinity of the Nabathæans in Arabia Deserta. They often change their place, though it would seem that they usually dwell in the neighbourhood of Petra or Sela. The name Kedar is often given to Arabia Deserta, and the word may in some instances denote Arabia in general. The inhabitants of those countries usually dwell in tents, and lead a romantic and wandering life.

Ch. XLIII.—24. *Thou hast brought me no sweet cane.* A species of aromatic for incense. Campbell, the African traveller, says, 'On approaching and entering first the city of Mashow, and afterwards that of Kurreehane, the two highest-up towns which I visited in Africa, various of the inhabitants, who, like all the

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rest of their countrymen, had never seen wagons nor white men before, were charmed with the sight, and, as a proof of it, they presented me with pieces of sugar or sweet cane, about a foot in length, and in such numbers, that the bottom of that part of the wagon where I sat was covered with it. It was an act of kindness. This occurrence explained this passage in Isaiah, where God is evidently charging his ancient people with want of affection or unkindness; which expression they would understand, having probably the same custom which I found in Africa, which the Hebrews may have learned while they resided in Africa, that is, in Egypt.' In that country sweet cane is now exposed for sale.

Ch. XLIV.—3. *I will pour water upon him that is thirsty.* See the man who is weary, he calls for his neighbour, or servant, or wife, to accompany him to the well; he then takes off his clothes, excepting a small strip round his loins, sits on his hams, and the individual who assists begins to 'pour water' upon him, till he be refreshed, and exclaims, 'potham,' that is, sufficient. In this way his body is invigorated, his thirst quenched, and he is made ready for his food.—Roberts.

Ch. XLV.—2. *I will break in pieces the gates of brass.* Ancient cities were surrounded by walls and secured by strong gates, which were not unfrequently made of brass. To Babylon there were one hundred gates, twenty-five on each side of the city, which, with their posts, were made of brass. 'In the circumference of the walls,' says Herodotus, 'at different distances were one hundred massy gates of brass, whose hinges and frames were of the same metal.' *The bars of iron.* One method of securing the gates of fortified places was to cover them with thick plates of iron, a custom which is still used in the East, and which seems to be of great antiquity. We learn from Pitts, that Algiers has five gates, and some of these have two, some three other gates within them, and some of them plated all over with iron.—Paxton.

Ch. XLIX.—22. *And thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders.* A reference to the manner in which children were carried. In ch. lxvi. 12, the same idea is expressed by their being carried upon the sides, referring to the custom still prevalent in the East, of placing a child, when it is nursed, astride on the side of its mother. For it is the custom in many parts of the East, to carry their children astride upon the hip, with the arm around the body. In Algiers, where the slaves take the children out, the boys ride upon their shoulders; and in a religious procession which Symes had an opportunity of seeing at Ava, the capital of the Burman empire, the first personages of rank that passed by were three children borne astride on men's shoulders. The custom was evidently the same in Judea; according to Dr. Russell, the children able to support themselves are usually carried astride on the shoulders, but in infancy they are carried in the arms, or a wrapdy on one haunch. Dandini tells us, that on horseback the Abissins 'carry their young children upon their shoulders with great dexterity. These children hold by the head of him who carries them, whether they be on horseback or on foot, and do not hinder him from walking nor doing what he pleases.'

Ch. LI.—20. *Thy sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets.* What a graphic picture we have here of an Eastern city or town in time of famine. See the squalid objects; in their despair they rush forth, throw themselves down in the streets, and there remain till they die or are relieved. They have scarcely a rag left to defend them from the heat of the sun or the dew of the night; and they court death as a blessing. 23. *Bow down, that we may go over.* The allusion is to the haughtiness of Oriental kings, who treated their captives with most degrading insolence; as Sapor, king of Persia, did his prisoner, the Roman emperor Valerian, whom he treated as a vile slave, causing him, as often as he mounted his horse, to bend his back, that he might step upon his neck and so mount.

Ch. LII.—2. *Shake thyself from the dust.* To sit on the ground,—to sit in the dust,—is an expression descriptive of mourning. 15. *So shall he sprinkle many nations.* A person stands near the entrance at an Eastern feast, holding in his hand a vessel full of rose water, somewhat globe-shaped in the body, with a long neck and perforated top like a watering-pot. With this he sprinkles the guests as they approach. The custom indicates favour and protection. So shall the eternal Son of God sprinkle many nations, and admit them into his presence, in token of their purification, and of his protection and favour.

Ch. LIII.—7. *As a sheep before her shearers is dumb.* Philo-Judæus, a philosopher and a Jew, born and bred in Egypt, and well acquainted with their customs, has a passage by which it appears that the figurative language of Isaiah was founded upon the practice of the Eastern shepherds: 'Woolly rams, laden with thick fleeces, in spring season, being ordered by their shepherd, stand without moving, and, silently stooping a little, put themselves into his hand, to have their wool shorn; being accustomed, as cities are, to pay their yearly tribute to man, their king by nature.'

Ch. LVII.—8. *Hast thou set up thy remembrance.* That is, they had filled their houses with the images of tutelary gods, or with something dedicated to them. The Greeks and Romans had their Lares and Penates—their household or domestic gods—the images of which were in every family. So it is with the heathen now. The same was true of the apostate Hebrews. 14. *Cast ye up—prepare the way.* This cry is often heard before the coming of a distinguished prince or conqueror in the East. It was stated by Dr. Wolf, that on entering Jerusalem from the west, in the direction of Gaza, the road for a considerable distance from Jerusalem was so full of stones that it was impracticable to ride, and those who were entering the city were obliged to dismount. When the Pacha (Ibrahim, son of Mohammed Ali) approached Jerusalem, it was customary for a considerable number of labourers to go before him and remove the stones from the way. This was done amidst a constant cry, 'Cast up, cast up the way: remove the stones, remove the stones:' and the stones placed or stacked as it was written, 'The pacha is coming,' and everywhere the cry was heard, 'The pacha is coming; the pacha is coming; cast up the way; remove the stones.'

Ch. LX.—8. *As the doves to their windows.* 'In the environs of Ispahan are many pigeon towers to collect the dung for a manure for melons, crowned by conical spiracles, through which the pigeons descend. Their interior resembles a honeycomb, pierced with a thousand holes, each of which forms for a single pair a nest. Many are painted and ornamented. The extraordinary flights I have seen alight on them is perhaps a good illustration of the text. Their great numbers, and the compactness of their mass, literally look like a cloud at a distance, and produce the same astonishment in their passage.'—Morier. 13. *The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, &c.* On great occasions the Temple was decorated with branches of various sorts of trees, to which custom the prophet is supposed to allude here. 14. *Bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet.* 'Who in the East has not seen the humble suppliant come bending to ask forgiveness or entreat a favour? See him go stooping along, with his hands spread out, till he come near his superior, and then, as in these words, he bows himself down at his feet.'—Roberts.

Ch. LXI.—3. *Oil of joy.* Perfumed oils are very expensive in the East, and are believed to possess many virtues. Except for medicinal purposes, they are used only on joyful occasions. 10. *And a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.* It would, in the East, be considered as unfortunate in the extreme for a bride to be married without having on numerous jewels; hence the poorest females, those who have not a farthing in the world, may be seen on such occasions literally covered with jewels. These are borrowed from neighbours and friends, where the girl is poor, and are always faithfully returned.

Ch. LXV.—3. *And burneth incense upon altars of brick.* The allusion seems to be to some superstitious rite now unknown, connected with magical formulas inscribed on such bricks as are still found in ancient Babylonia, with wedge-shaped letters on them. 4. *Lodge in the monuments.* When wrapped in the skins of beasts sacrificed, they were wont to lie down to know the future by dreams. 22. *As the days of a tree.* A tree is among the most long-lived of material objects. The oak, the terebinth, the cypress, the cedar, the banyan, attain to a great age. Many trees also live to a much longer period than a thousand years. The bombab tree of Senegal is supposed to attain the age of several thousand years. Adanson inferred that one which he measured, and found to be thirty feet in diameter, had attained the age of 5150 years. Having made an incision to a certain depth, he first counted 300 rings of annual growth, and observed what thickness the tree had gained in that period. The average rate of growth of younger trees of the same species was then ascertained, and the calculation made according to a supposed mean rate of increase. De Candolle considers it not improbable that the celebrated taxodium of Chapultepec in Mexico, which is 117 feet in circumference, may be still more aged.

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Ch. II.—6. *A land of deserts and of pits.* The account that Irwin has given of that part of this wilderness which lies on the western side of the Red Sea, through the northern part of which Israel actually passed, very much corresponds with this description. Fifty-four miles of ground were passed over, and three days elapsed without finding a spring for a fresh supply of water. The next spring was a distance of seventy-nine miles. Others were still more distant from each other. Irwin travelled, by his estimation, above three hundred miles in this desert, without meeting with a single town, village, or house. It is, indeed, *a land of pits*, for Irwin says, 'On each side of us were perpendicular steeps some hundred fathoms deep. On every part is such a wild confusion of hanging precipices, disjointed rocks, and hideous chasms, that we might well cry with the poet 'Chaos is come again.'' 22. *Nitre.* Natron, which is here meant by nitre. Whether native or purified it is easily dissolved in a very small quantity of water; and this solution is in many parts of Asia used for washing, it is made into soap by mixing it with oil. 37. *Thine hands upon thine head.* Roberts informs us, that when people in the East are in great distress, they put their hands on their head, the fingers being clasped on the top of the crown. Should a man who is plunged into wretchedness meet a friend, he immediately puts his hands on his head to illustrate his circumstances. If any one hears of the death of a friend or relative he does the same, as likewise does the schoolboy who has been chastised at school.

Ch. III.—2. *In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness.* The strongest possible idea of vigilant and eager watching is conveyed by this figure, derived from the practice of the desert Arabians, when in wait for their prey on caravans and travellers. They never relinquish their object from delay in its attainment, nor until they feel assured that ultimate success is hopeless. While out on their pursuit they are continually turning their regards to every quarter, raising themselves occasionally upon their horses to extend their view, and scouring about in all directions. The slightest and most distant indication of smoke or dust, and the faintest track on the ground is instantly perceived, and conveys to them the information they desire.—Pictorial Bible.

Ch. IV.—17. *As keepers of a field, are they against her round about.* In Arabia, and probably in other parts of the East, instead of a solitary watchman in the middle of the plantation, they place guards at certain distances round the whole field, increasing or diminishing their numbers according to the supposed danger.—Paxton.

Ch. VII.—34. *The voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.* The voices of the 'bridegroom' and the 'bride' appear to be distinctly mentioned, because, in the East, the women do not feast with the men.

Ch. VIII.—22. *Is there no balm in Gilead?* The tree, or rather shrub, producing this precious balsam, is a native of Arabia Felix, not of Judea. In different parts of the former country there are many of them growing at this day.

Ch. XI.—13. *According to the number of thy cities were thy gods.* This deplorable manifestation of the corruption of the Hebrews, was evidently borrowed from their heathen neighbours, among whom there were not only certain great gods worshipped everywhere in common, but others who were honoured as the tutelary divinities of particular towns; and there was scarcely any town without one. Some of these idols were little known beyond the town or district in which they were specially honoured.—Kitto.

Ch. XII.—5. *The swelling of Jordan.* Refers to its periodical overflowing of its banks, at which time, not only was the adjacent country overflowed, but the wild beasts, which harboured on its banks, were driven into the interior of the country, which made this a striking emblem of an invading army.

Ch. XIV.—4. *The ground is chapt, &c.* A more true description than this of an Oriental drought, we have never yet seen. After long drought in the East, particularly where the soil is rich and hard, the ground splits into wide and deep fissures, which, when exhibited to any considerable extent, render cultivation impracticable, and travelling troublesome, if not dangerous.—Pictorial Bible. 8. *As a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night.* Arundell, in his discoveries in Asia Minor, states that it is the practice to establish an oda for the stranger universally through the country, to be perpetually maintained at the charge of the estate; sometimes one, at least, is found in a village, supported not by public, but private charity, and frequently a poor man, whose house has but two chambers, reserves one of them as an oda; and no question is asked as to the religion of the traveller; it is enough that he is a stranger and claims your hospitality. It is the usage at these houses of charity, to receive the stranger only for a single night, as was, and still is, the usage of some religious houses in Europe.

Ch. XVI.—7. *Neither shall men give them the cup of consolation.* Funeral banquets were made among almost all the nations of the world to commemorate the dead, and to comfort the surviving relatives; and the cup of consolation, (strong mingled wine,) was given to those deepest in distress, to divert their minds and soothe their sorrows. 8. *The house of feasting.* A funeral feast was customary among different nations. The time of commencing is not certain, but the first three days were days of weeping. The entertainment was given by the chief mourner at his own house, if distinct from that in which the deceased had lived. Those invited were usually the friends and acquaintance of the family, including those neighbours who had sent food to the mourners during the days of weeping.

Ch. XVII.—13. *Written in the earth.* Della Valle observed in India children writing their lessons with their fingers in sand, strewed on a pavement; and when the space was full, the sand was smoothed or swept off and renewed from a heap near. Dr. Bell hence borrowed his plan of teaching.

Ch. XVIII.—14. *Will a man leave the snow of Lebanon?* The chief benefit the mountain of Lebanon serves for is, that, by its exceeding height, it proves a conservatory for an abundance of snow, which, thawing in the heat of summer, affords plenty of water to the rivers and fountains in the valleys below.—Maundrell. 17. *An east wind.* Kitto remarks, that from the frequency with which the "east wind" is mentioned in Scripture, it becomes desirable to state that every wind that blows from any point of the compass between the east and north, and between the east and south, was called an east wind by the Hebrews, as is still the case among the Orientals, who attend but little to the subdivisions of the compass.

Ch. XX.—15. *Who brought tidings to my father, &c.* The Eastern husband is waiting near at hand when his wife expects to give birth to an infant, and as soon as a son is born a servant bears the news, but if it be a daughter no messenger arrives.

Ch. XXII.—6. *Thou art Gilead unto me, &c.* Gilead was the most fertile part of the country, and renowned for its rich pastures, and Lebanon was the highest mountain in Israel, celebrated for its stately cedars, and both were therefore proper emblems of the reigning family of Judah. 14. *Chambers.* These were the principal part of the house in Judea, as at this day in Aleppo: the ground floor being chiefly used for horses and servants.

Ch. XXV.—10. *The sound of the millstones.* It is remarked by Sir J. Chardin, that in the East every where in the morning may be heard the noise of the mills, which often awakens people; for they generally grind every day just as much as may be necessary for the day's consumption. Where then the noise of the mill is not heard in the morning, nor the light of the candle seen in the evening, there must be an utter desolation.

Ch. XXVI.—18. *Zion shall be ploughed like a field.* Josephus relates, that Titus, after he had taken Jerusalem, ordered his soldiers to demolish it, except three of the largest and most beautiful towers, and the western wall of the city; all the rest was levelled, so that they who had never before seen it, could scarcely persuade themselves it had been inhabited. The Jewish writers also state, that Turnus Rufus, whom Titus had left in command, ploughed up the very foundations of the Temple. When Dr. Richardson

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visited the spot in 1818, he found one part of Mount Zion supporting a crop of barley, and another undergoing the labour of the plough: the soil turned up consisted of stone and lime mixed with earth, such as is usually met with in foundations of ruined cities. It is nearly a mile in circumference; is highest on the west side, and, towards the east, falls down in broad terraces on the upper part of the mountain, as it slopes down towards the brook Kedron. 23. *Graves of the common people.* In the necropolis of Thebes it is found that, while the kings spent their whole reign in building and adorning their tombs, and the priests and nobles had whole apartments to themselves of correspondent magnificence, the coffins (containing the embalmed bodies) of the common people, are piled closely together in large receptacles. 'Egyptians who could not afford a coffin were wrapped in a number of palm sticks, fastened with strings like a mat, and deposited in a pit.'—Wilkinson.

Ch. XXXI.—19. *I smote upon my thigh. Sorrow* is still expressed by the same action in the East; the right thigh being usually smitten. 21. *Waymarks.* These are to direct travellers over the trackless paths of the wilderness. They are generally of piled stones, and may be seen at a great distance on the extensive plains where they are placed far apart.

Ch. XXXVII.—15. *For they had made that the prison.* There is nothing extraordinary in making the dwelling house of a great man a prison, according to either the ancient or modern manners of the East. (See Gen. xxxix. 20.) Even in the royal place itself, we find there was a prison. (ch. xxxii. 2.) Sir J. Chardin states, that the Eastern prisons are not public buildings erected for that purpose, but a part of the house in which their criminal judges dwell. As the governor and provost of a town, or the captain of the watch, imprison such as are accused, in their own houses, they set apart a canton of them for that purpose, when they are put into these offices, and choose for the jailor the most proper person they can find among their domestics. 21. *The bakers' street.* Different streets were set apart for different trades. Though people in general baked their own bread, persons of small families used the baker, as well as strangers and visitors.

Ch. XLI.—1. *Did eat bread together.* In the morality of the East this is still considered an inviolable pledge of amity and protection, and is doubtless here mentioned to enhance the treachery recorded.

Ch. XLIV.—18. *To pour out drink offerings unto her.* Chardin remarks, that still, in Georgia and other parts of the East, before feasting, it is customary to go out and raise the eyes to the naked heaven, and pour out a cup of wine on the ground. 19. *Did we make her cakes to worship her.* Thus in China, 'from the first to the fifteenth of the month,' says Dr. Morrison, 'persons make cakes like the moon, of various sizes, and paint figures upon them: these are called by a word signifying 'moon-cakes.' Friends and relations pay visits, purchase and present the cakes to each other, and give entertainments. At full moon they spread out oblations, and make prostrations to the moon.'

Ch. XLVIII.—42. *Moab shall be destroyed from being a people.* Dr. Keith observes, that the most populous and fertile province in Europe is not covered so thickly with towns, as Moab is plentiful in ruins: and none of its ancient cities now exist as tenanted by man. In general they are broken down and undistinguishable masses of ruins: some have, however, remains of temples, sepulchral monuments, and edifices of large stones. Moab has often been a field of contest between the Arabs and Turks; and though the former have retained possession, both have materially reduced it to desolation. The different tribes of Arabs who traverse it, not only bear a permanent and habitual hostility to Christians and to Turks, but one tribe is often at variance and at war with another: and the regular cultivation of the soil, or the improvement of those natural advantages of which the country is so full, is a matter either never thought of, or that cannot be realized. Property is there the creature of power and not of law, and possession forms no security when plunder is the preferable right.

Ch. L.—16. *Cut off the sower from Babylon.* Herodotus declares, that of all the countries he had seen, none was so suitable as Babylonia for the culture of corn: and says, that the returns were generally two hundred, and sometimes three hundred fold. But all is now an utter desert, offering only some patches of cultivation near the few settlements which it contains. 29. *The archers.* The conquerors of Babylon are repeatedly described as 'archers.' The Persians, who are intended, were in ancient times famous for their general and very skilful use of the bow, which was in fact the characterizing arm of that people. Even at present, the bow still continues to be a favourite weapon, although, in effective use, it has been nearly superseded by the gun.—Pictorial Bible.

Ch. LI.—58. *The broad walls of Babylon.* Historians relate that the walls of Babylon were of sufficient width to admit the passing of two chariots on the top, and their depth from their foundation above two hundred feet. The bricks of this wall were dug out of the surrounding ditch, and being mixed up with chopped straw and dried, were then cemented with strong bitumen, (or asphaltam) yet of these walls there are now no remains.

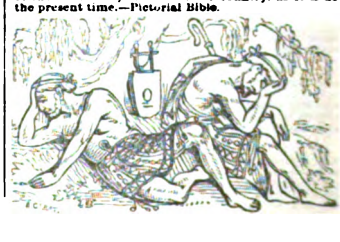
ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO THE LAMENTATIONS.

Ch. I.—1. *The city sit solitary.* When a husband dies in the East, the solitary widow takes off her marriage jewels and other ornaments, her head is shaved, and she sits down in the dust to bewail. The plundered city is compared to a widow. 11. *Given their pleasant things for meat.* Roberts informs us, that the people of the East retain their little valuables, such as jewels and rich robes, to the last extremity. To part with that which has been a kind of heir loom in the family is like parting with life. The alternative in a time of poverty and distress is to pledge and not to sell, but the covetousness of the one part, and the poverty of the other, usually prevents the recovery of the pleasant things.

Ch. III.—9. *He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone.* Thought to be an allusion to extensive tombs and catacombs. The prophet was familiar with Egyptian customs, one of which was to wall up the chambers of the tombe as soon as the body was deposited, and carefully conceal them; also to block up the entrance with a squared stone, sometimes fixed from the inside, whence the workmen retired some other way. 16. *Broken my teeth with gravel stones.* Alluding to an Oriental method of abusing the vanquished. 52. *Chased—like a bird.* Alluding to an Oriental custom, still in use in the desert of Arabia, of chasing birds with a stick, and throwing it at them whenever they light, thus tiring them out.—So Laborde.

Ch. IV.—8. *Their visage is blacker than a coal.* Blackness is still ascribed in the East to the effects of hunger.

Ch. V.—4. *We have drunken our water for money.* In the East all water, except at a private well or fountain, is free. The Chaldeans, however, seem to have taken possession of those sources of supply, and required payment from those persons who applied for water. (See cut end of Lam.) *Our wood is sold unto us.* The woods in Israel were anciently common to the inhabitants. They had nothing to pay for it, unless they thought fit to employ others to cut and carry it. But the Babylonians seem to have made it royal property, and obliged the remaining inhabitants to pay. If the complaint relates to the Jews in Babylon then wood, which was only brushwood, was one of the most costly articles in the country, as it is at the present time.—Pictorial Bible.



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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO EZEKIEL.

Ch. I.—14, 15. *The living creatures—one wheel.* As the prophet had beheld the Assyrian palaces, with their mysterious images and gorgeous decorations, it is highly probable, that when seeking to typify certain divine attributes, and to describe the divine glory, he chose forms that were not only familiar to him but to the people whom he addressed—captives like himself in the land of Assyria. Those who were uncorrupted, by even the outward forms of idolatry, sought for images to convey the idea of the supreme God. The mind of the prophet being impressed with such images, they were made to him a channel of divine communication for the instruction of others. It will be observed that the four forms chosen by Ezekiel to illustrate his description—verse 10, the man, the lion, the bull, and the eagle—are precisely those which are constantly found on Assyrian monuments as religious types. The 'wheel within a wheel' mentioned in connexion with the emblematical figures, may refer to the winged circle, or wheel, representing at Nimroud the supreme Deity. 'These coincidences,' says Layard, 'are too marked not to deserve notice; and do certainly lead to the inference that the symbols chosen by the prophet were derived from the Assyrian sculptures.'

Ch. II.—10. *Written within and without.* The rolls which formed the ancient books were usually written on one side only; but when the matter exceeded the calculation under which the skin was prepared or provided, the writing was sometimes continued to the required extent on the other side, being the outer side of the roll.—Pictorial Bible.

Ch. IV.—1. *A tile.* The tiles or bricks used for building in the East, were sometimes very large, with one of the surfaces well polished, and capable of receiving the representation described by Ezekiel. In the cabinets of the curious are still preserved fragments of such tiles brought from the supposed site of ancient Babylon. 9. *Millet.* The *dourra* of the East. So some. Niebuhr says, 'When made into bad bread with camel's milk, oil, butter, or grease, it is almost the only food eaten by the common people in Arabia Felix. I found it so disagreeable that I should willingly have preferred plain barley bread.' It is also used in Syria, and yields more than any other grain. 12. *Bake it with dung.* The dung of oxen, animals, &c., is often thus used in the East from scarcity of fuel, and even human dung to bake with by the miserably poor in Egypt.

Ch. VIII.—10. *Idols—pourtrayed upon the wall round about.* This practice was perhaps borrowed from the Egyptians. Round the room in Thebes, where the body of King Osymandias seemed to be buried, a multitude of chambers were built, which had elegant paintings of all the beasts sacred in Egypt.—So Secker and Newcombe. 17. *Put the branch to the nose.* Those who favour our present translation, think that the text alludes to a custom among the ancient Persians, who are said, when they prayed, to have held in their hands a small bundle of twigs, which was called in their language, *borsam.* Michaelis says, that they held it before their faces opposite the holy fire; and Spencer observes, that the heathens, in worshipping their deities, held forth the branches of those trees which were dedicated to them.

Ch. IX.—2. *A writer's inkhorn by his side.* It is still the custom in the East to carry the inkhorn stuck in the girdle. Scribes carry them constantly in their girdles, and ministers of state wear them in the same manner, as symbols of their office. They are about the length and shape of a four-faced razor strop, containing the utensils for writing, and a large inkstand attached to one end. 4. *Set a mark upon the foreheads.* This alludes to the customs of the Eastern nations to mark their servants in the forehead.

Ch XII.—7. *I digged through the wall with mine hand.* A brick or stone wall could not so have been dug through, but the allusion is to a cob wall made of mud and straw, a common way of building in Devonshire.

Ch. XIII.—10. *Daubed it with untempered morter.* The Hebrews did sometimes plaster their walls. The article used was made of chopped straw and clay. It could only be used on walls built with dry cob, and was only of service in dry countries. 18. *Make kerchiefs, &c.* We are told by some Oriental travellers that the Eastern women bind on their ornaments with a rich or embroidered handkerchief, which is described as completing the head dress of the ladies and falling without order upon the hair behind. *Pillows.* Probably embroidered cushions on the armpits, or on such couches as the Orientals use to support themselves in sitting, or both. Some refer it to the back and corner cushions of the divan.

Ch. XVI.—4. *Thou wast not salted.* From this text it appears that it was an ancient custom to salt the bodies of new-born infants. It is probable that they only sprinkled them with salt, or washed them in salt water, which they imagined would dry up all superfluous humours, purify the body, and prevent putrefaction. Galen says, 'a little salt being sprinkled on the infant, its skin is rendered more dense and solid.' It is said that the inhabitants of Tartary still continue the custom of salting their children as soon as they are born. 17. *Images of men.* This is probably an allusion to the shameful exhibitions that were usual, and to the images that were set up, as well as to the lascivious practices that were common in the worshipping of Baal-peor, and in celebrating the death of Tammus.

Ch. XX.—37. *Pass under the rod.* A metaphor derived from the practice of shepherds, who when they count their flocks, carefully make them pass one by one under their staff or rod.

Ch. XXI.—21. *To use divination.* They wrote on several arrows the names of the nations, or cities, which they intended to attack, and mixed them together in a quiver; and then drawing the first that came to hand, they declared war with the nation, or besieged the city, whose name was written upon the arrow first drawn. This custom was common among the Greeks, and still prevails among the Turks and Arabians.

Ch. XXIII.—5, 6. *The Assyrians—horsemen riding upon horses.* Horsemen and charioteers formed an equally important part of the Assyrian army. Horsemen are seen in the most ancient sculptures of Nimroud, and disciplined bodies of cavalry were represented in the bas-reliefs of Kouyunjik. 25. *They shall take away thy nose and thine ears.* These mutilations were common amongst the Chaldeans. St. Jerome assures us, that they frequently cut off the nose and the ears of adulterers. The spiritual adultery and the punishment are here implied and expressed. The Hebrews never practised these cruelties themselves, but they must have known them as practised by surrounding heathen nations.

Ch. XXV.—5. *I will make Rabbah a stable for camels.* Buckingham saw this fulfilled to the very letter. Not that camels are provided with stables and stalls and litter. They need no such accommodation, as they feed in very barren dry places where nettles and thorns grow, which they eat, and also thistles and heath, and remain abroad in rain and snow. The prophecy, therefore, merely states that camels should eat the vegetables which would grow in the place where Rabbah then stood; that they should make use of the ruins of the city for shelter during the night, or perhaps in the season of winter.

Ch. XXVI.—5. *A place for the spreading of nets.* Many modern travellers attest that Tyre is now what is here described; the description, however, though literally fulfilled, receives an ample accomplishment in its being a fishing station.

Ch. XXVII.—5. *They have made all thy ship boards of fir, &c.* The Tyrian vessels were constructed of the most costly materials. The sails were of "fine linen with embroidered work from Egypt;" and the ornaments were of "blue and purple from the isles of Elishah." The benches were of ivory, and, it will be remarked, were made by Assyrian workmen, of whose skill we have full proof in the beautiful carvings from Nimroud. The oars were of the wood of the oaks of Bashan, the planks of fir-tree from the mountain of Senir, and the masts of cedar of Lebanon. The people of Zidon and Arvad were employed as mariners, and the management and sailing of the ship were confided to the pilots of Tyre, who, through long experience, were well versed in the art of navigation, and

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were consequently looked upon as "the wise men" in a city of sailors and merchants. In these vessels the Phœnicians coasted along the shores of the Mediterranean, and carried on an active commerce with very distant nations; establishing their colonies and diffusing far and wide their civilisation, their arts, and their language.—Layard. 11. *Hung their shields upon thy walls.* Sandys, speaking of the decoration of one of the gates of the imperial seraglio in Constantinople, tells us, that it is hung with shields and cimeters.

Ch. XXIX.—15. *The basest of the kingdoms.* For more than two thousand years Egypt has had a succession of foreign governors, and it has long been subject to pachas under the appointment of the Turks, who have so oppressed the people that they are nothing but a nation of poor impoverished slaves, and the original Egyptians cannot now with certainty be traced.

Ch. XXX.—17. *Aven.* (See note and cut end of Exe.) It was a famous seat of science and learning, and it is supposed that here Moses became learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians. *Pibeseth.* Another city of Egypt, supposed to have been the famous city of Bubastis, on one of the branches of the Nile. Here it has been thought that Diana was worshipped in a magnificent temple in the city. 18. *Tehaphnehes.* Identified with Daphnæ Pelusia, not far from Pelusium and on the Eastern branch of the Nile. The kings of Egypt had a royal residence in this town, though it does not appear to have been a capital city.

Ch. XXXIII.—30. *Talking—by the walls and in the doors of the houses.* Kitto says, 'While residing in Oriental towns, and particularly in Mesopotamia, where Ezekiel was, we had constant occasion to notice this practice. We never went out in fine weather without observing frequent groups of men conferring together, or solacing themselves at the doors of houses, or seated on the ground, under the shade of the walls, in the broader streets and public places.'

Ch. XXXV.—4. *I will lay thy cities waste and thou shalt be desolate.* Irby and Mangles have left testimony respecting Petræa and its vicinity. 'At present the barren state of the country, together with the desolate condition of the city, without a single human being living near it, seem strongly to verify the judgment pronounced against it.'

Ch. XXXVII.—20. *The sticks whereon thou writest.* Writing on sticks or pieces of wood was practised among ancient nations; among others, by the ancients Greeks and Britons. The letters were cut in.

Ch. XXXVIII.—2. *Gog, the land of Magog.* Josephus and others consider these as names applied to the Scythians of the ancients, answering to the Tartars of the moderns—a people extending through the centre of Asia, and the south-east of Europe. 3. *Came like a storm.* Describing forcibly the character of a Scythian or Tartar invasion. Their vast numbers covering the land like a cloud: their rapid and irresistible progress, compared to a storm, are pointed out by the prophet, and confirmed by historians. Gibbon describes them, as having a body of cavalry amounting to two or three hundred thousand men; 'formidable by the matchless dexterity with which they managed their bows and their horses, by their hardy patience in supporting the inclemency of the weather, and by the incredible speed of their march, which was seldom checked by currents or precipices, by the deepest rivers, or by the most lofty mountains.'

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO DANIEL.

Ch. I.—2. *Land of Shinar.* That is, Babylonia wherein was the tower of Babel. *He brought the vessels into the treasure-house of his god.* Heathen temples there is a place for the sacred jewels and other treasures. The ornaments of the idol are sometimes of great value. I have seen the small crown, breast-plate, and necklaces of one idol worth more than four hundred pounds. 3. *The master of his eunuchs.* Or 'the chief of his chamberlains.' It appears to have been a title given to the satrape, or such distinguished men as had the care of the royal chambers or wardrobe. 7. *Gave names.* It was customary among the Eastern nations, for the kings to distinguish their favourites by new names, when they conferred on them new dignities. 20. *The magicians and astrologers.* These words seem to comprehend the persons in general who were distinguished for the several kinds of learning cultivated among the Chaldees. Of the like character were the Magi in Egypt and Persia, and the other countries of the East, and those "wise men" that came to our Saviour at his birth. (Matt. ii. 1.)

Ch. II.—46. *Should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.* To make a present of perfumes was deemed a mark of reverence and honour in the remotest times among the Orientals. Such an offering was made to Daniel with a view to do him great honour.

Ch. III.—4. *O people, nations, and languages.* This form of speech was designed to set forth the largeness and extent of the Babylonish empire, which had subjects of so many different languages. The same phrase was afterwards used under the Medes and Persians. (ch. vi. 25; Esth. i. 22; iii. 12; viii. 9.) 6. *Be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.* This mode of putting to death was not unusual in the East in more modern times. Chardin says, 'There is a particular way of putting to death such as have transgressed in civil affairs, either by causing a dearth, or by selling above the tax by a false weight, or who have committed themselves in any other manner. The cooks are put upon a spit and roasted over a slow fire, bakers are thrown into a hot oven. During the dearth in 1668, I saw such ovens heated on the Royal Square in Ispahan, to terrify the bakers, and deter them from taking advantage of the general distress.'

Ch. V.—7. *Shall be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold, &c* Gold chains are a mark of dignity in Abyssinia, bestowed by the sovereign on the most meritorious persons in his army. It is usual to give a splendid suit of clothes at the same time; an Egyptian and Persian custom. (See Gen. xli. 42; Esth. viii. 15.) 27. *Thou art weighed in the balances.* In the account of Sir Thomas Roe's embassy to the Great Mogul, we are informed that on the Mogul's birthday, he retained an ancient yearly custom of being weighed in a balance in the presence of his chief grandees. The scales were plated with gold, and so was the beam on which they hung by great chains, of the same metal. The king, sitting in one of them, was weighed first against silver coin, which immediately afterwards was distributed among the poor; then was he weighed against gold, and lastly, as was reported, against jewels. The valuables were, however, laid in silken bags in the contrary session. 'When I saw him in the balance,' says Sir Thomas, 'I thought on Belshazzar who was found too light. By his weight, of which his physicians yearly keep an exact account, they presume to guess of the present state of his body, of which they speak flatteringly however they think it to be.' 29. *They clothed Daniel with scarlet.* The coming out from the presence of princes in a dress presented to the wearer as a mark of distinction, is an honour still practised in the East. They are conferred sometimes merely as an honour, and sometimes as an ensign of office. 30. *Belshazzar.* The name does not occur in the profane histories. It means doubtless the same who is called Neriglissar. He was killed by conspirators on the night of the impious feast.

Ch. VI.—1. *Darius.* He was the Cyaxeres of the Greek writers. One of his sisters married to the king of Persia, was the mother of the great Cyrus; and another, married to the king of Babylon, appears to have been the mother of Belshazzar. In his latter days, he was, in fact, governed by his nephew and heir, Cyrus. 7. *He shall be cast into the den of lions.* Most reformers on, in his account of Morocco and Fez, that 'In Morocco the king has a lions' den, into which men, particularly Jews, are sometimes thrown; but the latter generally come off unhurt, because the keepers of these animals are Jews, who may safely be with them, with a rod in the hand, if they only take care to go out backwards, as the lion does not suffer any one to turn his back on him. The other Jews do not let their brethren remain longer than a night among the lions, as they might otherwise become too hungry; but ransom them with money, which is, in fact, the king's object.' Monuments brought to light by modern travellers on the sites of Babylon and Susa, represent lions destroying and preying upon human beings. 28. *In the reign of Cyrus the Persian.* When, upon Darius's death, took possession of the whole monarchy of the Medes and Persians, called the Persian monarchy. (Ezra i. 2.)

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO THE MINOR PROPHETS.

HOSEA.

Ch. II.—6. *I will hedge up thy way with thorns.* The Indian fig tree, of which the hedges are formed, serves as an insurmountable barrier for the security of the fields in the East. No horse will entangle himself with the thorny bushes which are used even as barriers to towns, nor could his rider, dismounted, get over them.

Ch. IV.—12. *Their staff declareth.* The allusion is to a species of divination by means of rods or staves, which was much in use among the ancient heathen. The diviners set up rods, muttered enchantments, and when the rods fell they drew their presages from the manner and direction of the fall. The Hebrews had a similar practice.

Ch. VI.—4. *As the early dew it goeth away.* Dr. Shaw, speaking of Arabia Petræa, says, 'The dews of the night, as we had the heavens only for our covering, would, in the night, frequently wet us to the skin; but no sooner was the sun risen, and the atmosphere a little heated, than the mists were quickly dispersed, and the copious moisture, which the dew had communicated to the sands, had entirely evaporated.'

Ch. VII.—8. *Ephraim is a cake not turned.* All along the coast of the Black Sea, from the Palus Mæotis to the Caspian Sea, in Chaldea, and in Mesopotamia, except in towns, the people make a fire in the middle of the room; when the bread is ready for baking, they sweep a corner of the hearth, lay the bread there, cover it with hot ashes and embers, and in a quarter of an hour they turn it. Baked only on one side was a significant emblem of serving God by halves.

Ch. VIII.—8. *A vessel wherein is no pleasure.* The earthenware vessels in common use in the East, are so exceedingly cheap, that they form the least valuable possession that any one can have. They are also so frail and constantly breaking, that they are decidedly perishable articles and a source of continual, though small expense.

Ch. XIII.—3. *Smoke out of the chimney.* This rather means a hole to let out the smoke, or a funnel above the fire-place. There are no chimneys like ours.

Ch. XIV.—7. *The scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon.* The wines of Lebanon, Hermon, Carmel, the mountains of Israel, Jerusalem, and Caphtor, excel all in fragrance, flavour, and medicinal virtue.—Kimchi. Modern travellers also commend the excellence of Lebanon wines.

JOEL.

Ch. I.—4. *The locust.* This insect has been so often described that it is now well known. It is in shape like the grasshopper, with a scaly body, large head, and bright eyes. 6. *Strong, and without number, whose teeth, &c.* The locust has mandibles strong and robust, and which seem destined for the work of destruction. With such mandibles it easily laid the vine waste and barked the fig tree. 19. *The fire hath devoured the pastures.* Kitto takes this to allude to the custom of setting the herbage on fire before the autumnal rains, and to the destructive consequences which sometimes follow beyond the intention of those who kindled the fire. But comparing the passage with the next chapter, verse 3, which describes the progress of the locusts, it seems to point to their destructive powers; for every part they visit in bodies is left as if it were completely burned up. 'They consume like a general conflagration, they destroy the ground not only for a time, but burn trees for two years after.'—Sir Hans Sloane's Nat. Hist. of Jamaica.

Ch. II.—2. *A day of darkness and of gloominess.* Travellers inform us, that the locust will of a sudden cover the sky like a cloud, intercept the light of the sun, and diffuse a darkness over the land. 3. *Nothing shall escape them.* Volney informs us, that 'the quantity of these insects is incredible to all who have not themselves witnessed their astonishing numbers; the whole earth is covered with them for the space of several leagues. The noise they make in browsing on the trees and herbage may be heard to a great distance, and resembles that of an army foraging in secret. The Tartars themselves are a less destructive enemy than these little animals; one would imagine that fire had followed their progress. Wherever their myriads spread, the verdure of the country disappears as if a covering had been removed; trees and plants stripped of their leaves, and reduced to their naked boughs and stems, cause the dreary image of winter to succeed, in an instant, to the rich scenery of spring. This calamity is the inevitable forerunner of famine and the maladies it occasions. (See notes on Ex. x. 4. &c.) 4. *As the appearance of horses.* There has generally been thought to be a very strong resemblance between the head of a horse and that of a locust, so much so that the Italians call the locust cavaletta, or little horse. *As horsemen, so shall they run.* Alluding to the rapidity and force of the locusts. 7. *They shall not break their ranks.* St. Jerome says, 'I lately saw in this province the swarms of locusts come. They fly in such exact order, by the disposition and the command of God, that every one keeps his place like the squares in a chequered pavement, and does not vary from it so much as a point or a nail's breadth. Whilst employed in devouring the produce of the land, it has been observed that they uniformly proceed one way, as regularly as a disciplined army on their march; nor will it be possible to discover a single one going a different way from the rest.' 20. *His stink shall come up.* Thevenot says of the locusts, 'that they live not above six months; and when dead the stench of them so corrupts and infects the air that it often occasions dreadful pestilence.'

AMOS.

Ch. III.—3. *Walk together.* There is perhaps a reference to the affectionate manner in which intimate friends walk in the East, with each one's arm over the shoulders of the other, the hands of the other arm joined in front. 12. *As the shepherd taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear.* When a flock was entrusted to a shepherd or other person, he was expected to make good the loss of any sheep "torn of beasts" unless he produced the torn carcase, or part of it, in evidence of the circumstance; and herein, of course, when a flock was attacked by a wild beast, the shepherd was anxious to secure so much of the torn remains as might furnish sufficient proof to the owner that his property had not been improperly disposed of by the shepherd. *That dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, and in Damascus in a couch.* Harmer has shown that the corner of a bed was considered the most honourable place, and he thinks we are here to understand 'a divan,' or a part of a room raised above the floor, and spread with a carpet in the winter, and in the summer with fine mats. A mattress laid on this floor might serve for a bed. 15. *Houses of ivory.* Houses were ornamented with ivory. The Orientalists used much cedar in their buildings, which, being a dark wood, must have looked very beautiful when banded, strung, or inlaid with ivory.

Ch. IV.—1. *Ye kine of Bashan.* Bashan was remarkable for the richness of its pastures, and consequently for its breed of cattle. Under the appellation of its kine, it is probable that the prophet designates the proud and luxuriant nations of Israel.

Ch. V.—19. *Leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.* The smaller serpents in the East delight to harbour in the old walls of houses, and particularly of dark chambers, to which they obtain easy access, as the doors hang loosely, and the windows are often mere wooden lattices without glass. In such situations they will remain and increase, unless extirpated; and their extirpation from such places is the work of the serpent-charmers, who, in some respects, answers to the rat-catcher of Europe. It is particularly common to find serpents and also scorpions, in houses or rooms that have remained for any time unoccupied; and the new occupants are obliged to be careful. Under these circumstances such accidents as that to which the prophet refers are by no means uncommon.—Kitto.

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OBADIAH.

Ver. 3. *Thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high.* The celebrated city of Petra, (so named by the Greeks, and so worthy of the name on account of its rocky mountains, and its numerous dwellings excavated from the rocks,) was situated within the patrimonial territory of the Edomites. There is distinct and positive evidence that it was a city of Edom, and the metropolis of the Nabatheans, whom Strabo expressly identifies with the Idumean possessors of the same country, and subject to the same laws. 'Petra,' says Dr. Vincent, 'is the capital of Edom or Seir, the Idumea or Arabia Petræa of the Greeks; the Nabatea, considered both by geographers, historians, and poets, as the source of all the precious commodities of the East.' The caravans in all ages, from Minea in the interior of Arabia, and from Gerrha on the Gulf of Persia, from Hadramants on the Ocean, and some even from Sabea or Yemen, appear to have pointed to Petra as a common centre; and from Petra the trade seems to have branched out in every direction, to Egypt, Palestine, and Syria, through Arauna, Gaza, Tyre, Jerusalem, Damascus, and a variety of subordinate routes that all terminated in the Mediterranean. 8. *Wise men out of Edom.* Idumea or Uz, was regarded by the Jews in the same light and elegance as Greece was by the Romans, and Teman, as the Athens of Arabia Petræa.—Dr. Mason Good.

MICAH.

Ch. II.—8. *Ye pull off the robe with the garment, &c.* To strip a traveller of his clothes is an exceedingly common form of depredation in the East, particularly among the Bedouin Arabs. To this the text seems to refer.—Kitto.

Ch. III.—12. *Zion—be plowed as a field.* 'We had to examine the hill which now bears the name of Sion: it is situated on the south side of Jerusalem, part of it being excluded by the wall of the present city, which passes over the top of the mount. If this be indeed mount Sion, the prophecy concerning it, that they should plough and sow over it, has been fulfilled to the letter; for such labours were actually going on when we arrived.'—Clarke's Travels. (See note on Jer. xxvi. 18.)

Ch. IV.—4. *Sit every man under his vine.* Palestine was more of a vine country than Egypt: yet even in Egypt, the ancient inhabitants were fond of sitting in vine-harbours. We have an example in the mosaic pavement of Præneste. In this example, the arched trellis, over which the vine is trained, spans a stream, on each bank of which, within the harbour thus formed, persons repose on couches, drinking wine and playing on instruments of music.—Kitto.

Ch. VI.—7. *Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression?* This was very usual among the heathen. In Florida a male infant was offered by the mother with great ceremony to have its brains dashed out upon the stones as a sacrifice to the sun. Hacon, king of Norway, offered his son in sacrifice, to obtain of Odin the victory over his enemy Harold. Aune, king of Sweden, devoted the blood of his nine sons to Odin, in order to prevail upon that God to prolong his life.

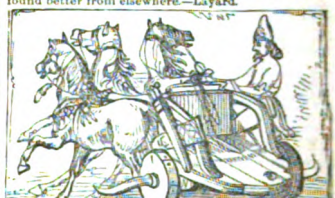
Ch. VII.—1. *My soul desired the firstripe fruit.* The Turks and Persians are particularly fond of fruit just before it is ripe, and without any ill consequences they eat prodigious quantities of melons, plums, and other fruits.

NAHUM.

Ch. II.—4. *The chariots shall rage in the streets.* The recent discoveries of Layard have brought to light some spirited sculpture of the war chariots and horses of Nineveh. The horses appear to have been of pure Arabian breed, and their harness was of the most elegant kind. (See following cut.) *She is empty, and void, and waste.* This description has been a just characteristic of Nineveh for ages. The surface of the earth shews no remains of this once great city, nor can the discovery of a few relics underneath invalidate the prophecy. Nineveh has not inhabitants nor habitations, and even with every diligent research the exact site of the city cannot be ascertained.

HABAKKUK.

Ch. I.—8. *Their horses also are swifter than the leopards—they shall fly as the eagle, &c.* No one can look at the horses of the early Assyrian sculptures without being convinced that they were drawn from the finest models. The head is small and well shaped, the nostrils large and high, the neck arched, the body long, and the legs slender and sinewy. That the Assyrians carefully portrayed animals, is shown by the lions, bulls, goats, and stags, so frequently introduced into their bas-reliefs; it is highly probable, therefore, that they carefully copied the forms of their horses, and showed the points for which they were most distinguished. It is not unlikely that the plains watered by the Tigris and Euphrates, producing, during the winter and spring, the richest pasturage, were at the earliest period as celebrated as they are now for the rearing of horses; particularly when so large a supply must have been required for the cavalry and chariots of the Assyrian armies. At a later period, indeed, we find the plains of Babylonia furnishing horses to the Persians, both for the private use of the king and for his troops. It may, therefore be conjectured that they were of the most noble and celebrated breeds; for the Persians being masters of the greater part of Asia and of Egypt, could have obtained horses had they found better from elsewhere.—Layard.



From Assyrian Marbles.—*British Museum.*

16. *Burn incense unto their drag.* A part of the fishing tackle. Ward says, 'The Hindoos annually worship the implements of their trade.'

Ch. III.—9. *Thy bow was made quite naked.* This may mean that it was prepared for action; it being both in ancient and in modern times, customary in the East to carry the bow in a case when not required for immediate use.

ZEPHANIAH.

Ch. I.—5. *Worship the host of heaven upon the housetops.* Hasn, in his travels north of Sinjyrna, [illegible] 'Large fires lighted on the housetops;' their flat plastered roofs would therefore afford hearths for altars: so that the expressions of the text need not seem unaccountable. 9. *That leap on the threshold.* An allusion to some idolatrous rite like that practised in the temple of Dagon, where the priest did not tread on the threshold, (it may be invading with violence a neighbour's dwelling.

ZECHARIAH.

Ch. XIV.—18. *That have no rain.* Marshal Marmont thus writes to the French Academy:—'Formerly it scarcely ever rained, and only for a short time at Alexandria; now it rains there for thirty or forty days annually, and sometimes, after the middle of October, it does not cease for five or six days together. At Cairo instead of a few drops falling, and those rarely, there are from fifteen to twenty rainy days every winter. It is supposed that this change of climate is owing to the immense plantations of the Pasha, twenty millions of trees having been planted below Cairo. The contrary effect has been produced in Upper Egypt by the destruction of the trees there.' 20. *Bells of the horses.* Rooke, in his Travels to the coast of Arabia Felix, saw a display of Arabian horses on a field day, of which he says, 'The horses were sumptuously caparisoned, being adorned with gold and silver trappings, bells hung round their necks, and rich housings.' (See note and cut end of Zech.)

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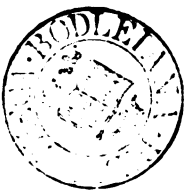
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CHAP. I.

THE book of the [b] generation of Jesus Christ, [c] the son of David, [d] the son of Abraham.

2 Abraham [e] begat Isaac; and [f] Isaac begat Jacob; and [g] Jacob begat Judas and his brethren;

3 And [h] Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and [i] Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram;

4 And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon;

5 And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;

6 And [m] Jesse begat David the king; and [n] David the king begat Solomon of *her that had been the wife* of Urias;

7 And [o] Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa;

8 And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias;

9 And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias;

10 And [p] Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias;

11 And † Josias [q] begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were [r] carried away to Babylon:

12 And after they were brought to Babylon, [s] Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat [t] Zorobabel;

13 And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;

14 And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud;

15 And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob;

16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

17 So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are* fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are* fourteen generations.

18 ¶ Now the [u] birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child [x] of the Holy Ghost.

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing [y] to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily.

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: [z] for that which is [a] conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

21 And [b] she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name * JESUS: for [c] he shall save his people from their sins.

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

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[a] Is. 7. 14.
[b] Lu. 3. 23.
* or, *his name shall be called.*
[c] Ps. 132. 11. Jno. 7. 42. Ac. 2. 30. Ro. 1. 3.
[d] Ga. 3. 16.
[e] Ge. 21. 2, 3.
[f] Ge. 25. 26.
[g] Ge. 29. 35.
[h] Ge. 38. 27.
[i] Ru. 4. 18, &c
[k] Ex. 13. 2. Lu. 2. 7, 21.
[l] The Fourth Year before the Common Account called Anno Domini.
[m] Lu. 2. 4, 5, 7.
[n] 1 Ki. 4. 30.
[o] 1 Sa. 16. 1.
[p] Lu. 2. 11.
[q] 2 Sa. 12. 24.
[r] Is. 60. 3.
[s] 1 Ch. 3. 10, &c.
[t] 2 Ch. 36. 14.
[u] 2 Ch. 34. 13.
[x] Mal. 2. 7.
[y] 2 Ki. 20. 21.
† Some read, *Josias begat Jakim, and Jakim begat Jechonias.*
[z] 1 Ch. 3. 15, 16
[a] Mi. 5. 2. Jno. 7. 42.
[b] Je. 52. 11, &c
[c] 1 Ch. 3. 17, 19
[d] Re. 2. 27.
‡ or, *feed.*
[e] Esr. 3. 2.
[f] The Fifth Year before the Common Account called Anno Domini.
[g] Lu. 1. 27.
[h] Ps. 72. 10.
§ or, *offered.*
[i] ch. 1. 20.
[k] Lu. 1. 35.
[l] De. 24. 1.
[m] Ps. 103. 20. He. 1. 14.
[n] Je. 31. 22.
|| *begotten.*
[o] Lu. 1. 31.
* i. e. *Saviour*, Heb.
[p] Ac. 13. 23, 38 Ep. 5. 25..27. He. 7. 25. 1 Jno. 1. 7.
[q] Ho. 11. 1.

23 Behold, [d] a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and [e] they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And knew her not till she had brought forth [k] her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

CHAP. II.

NOW when [f] Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men [m] from the east to Jerusalem,

2 Saying, [g] Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen [n] his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

3 When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

4 And when he had gathered all [o] the chief priests and [p] scribes of the people together, [q] he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet,

6 And [s] thou Bethlehem, *in* the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, [t] that shall ‡ rule my people Israel.

7 Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11 ¶ And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, [x] they § presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

12 And being warned of God [z] in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

13 And when they were departed, behold, [a] the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt;

15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, " Out of Egypt have I called my son.

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16 ¶ Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by [o] Jeremy the prophet, saying,

18 In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping *for* her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

19 ¶ But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,

20 Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

21 And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judæa in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside [r] into the parts of Galilee:

23 And he came and dwelt in a city called [s] Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled [m] which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

CHAP. III.

IN those days came [o] John the Baptist, preaching [p] in the wilderness of Judæa,

2 And saying, Repent ye: for [r] the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, [t] The voice of one crying in the wilderness, [u] Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

4 And the same John [x] had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was [y] locusts and [z] wild honey.

5 Then [a] went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judæa, and all the region round about Jordan,

6 And [b] were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.

7 ¶ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, [c] O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath † to come?

8 Bring forth therefore fruits † meet for repentance:

9 And think not to say within yourselves, [d] We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

10 And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees: [e] therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

11 I [f] indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: [g] he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire:

12 Whose [h] fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will [i] burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

13 ¶ Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.

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[o] Je. 31. 15.
[p] Is. 11. 2. 42. 1. Lu. 3. 22. Jno. 1. 32, 33
[q] Jno. 1. 29.
[r] ch. 12. 18. 17. 5 Ps. 2. 7. Is. 42. 1. Ep. 1. 6. Col. 1. 13. 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[s] Mar. 1. 12, &c. Lu. 4. 1, &c.
[t] 1 Ki. 18. 12. Eze. 3. 14. 40. 2. 43. 5. Ac. 8. 39.
[u] Is. 40. 3. Re. 2. 10.
[x] De. 6. 3.
[y] ch. 3. 13. Lu. 2. 39.
[z] ch. 27. 53. Ne. 11. 1, 18. Is. 48. 2. 52. 1. Re. 11. 2.
[a] Jno. 1. 45.
[b] Ju. 13. 5. 1 Sa. 1. 11.
[c] Ps. 91. 11, 12.
[d] Mar. 1. 4, 5. Lu. 3. 2, 3. Jno. 1. 28.
[e] Joe. 14. 10.
[f] ch. 10. 7. Da. 2. 44.
[g] De. 6. 16.
[h] Is. 40. 3. Jno. 1. 23.
[i] Lu. 1. 76.
[k] 2 Ki. 1. 8. Zec. 13. 4.
[l] Lu. 11. 22.
[m] De. 6. 13. 10. 20. Jos. 24. 14. 1 Sa. 7. 3.
[n] 1 Sa. 14. 25, 26.
[o] Lu. 3. 7.
[p] He. 1. 14.
[q] Ac. 19. 4, 18.
[r] Lu. 4. 14, 31. Jno. 4. 43.
[s] or, *delivered up.*
[t] ch. 4. 23.
[u] Ro. 5. 9. 1 Th. 1. 10.
† or, *answerable to amendment of life.*
[x] Jno. 8. 33, 39. Ac. 13. 26. Ro. 11. 16.
[y] Is. 9. 1, 2.
[z] Is. 42. 7. Lu. 2. 32.
[a] Lu. 13. 7, 9. Jno. 15. 6.
[b] Ac. 1. 5. 11. 16.
[c] ch. 10. 7.
[d] Is. 44. 3. Mal. 3. 2. Ac. 2. 3, 4. 1 Co. 12. 13.
[e] Lu. 5. 2.
[f] Jno. 1. 42.
[g] Mal. 3. 3.
[h] ch. 13. 30. Mal. 4. 1.
[i] Mar. 10. 28.

14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer *it to be so* now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw [k] the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

17 And [l] lo a voice from heaven, saying, [m] This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

CHAP. IV.

THEN was [n] Jesus led up of [o] the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred.

3 And when [p] the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

4 But he answered and said, It is written, [q] Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

5 Then the devil taketh him up [r] into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple,

6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, [s] He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, [t] Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, [u] Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, [x] angels came and ministered unto him.

12 ¶ Now [y] when Jesus had heard that John was [z] cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;

13 And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

15 The [a] land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:

16 The [b] people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

17 [c] From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, [d] Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

18 ¶ And [e] Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon [f] called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

20 And [g] they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.

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21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.

22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

23 ¶ And Jesus went about all Galilee, [a]teaching in their synagogues, and preaching [b] the gospel of the kingdom, [c] and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

25 And [d] there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judæa, and *from* beyond Jordan.

CHAP. V.

AND seeing the multitudes, [e] he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

3 Blessed [f] *are* the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed [g] *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed [h] *are* the meek: for [i] they shall inherit the earth.

6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: [k] for they shall be filled.

7 Blessed *are* the merciful: [l] for they shall obtain mercy.

8 Blessed [m] *are* the pure in heart: for [n] they shall see God.

9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

10 Blessed [o] *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner [p] of evil against you [q] falsely, for my sake.

12 Rejoice, [r] and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for [s] so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

13 ¶ Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14 Ye [t] are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under [u] a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

17 ¶ Think [w] not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 Whosoever [x] therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed [y] *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

21 ¶ Ye have heard that it was said [z] by them of old time, [a] Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

22 But I say unto you, That [b] whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, [c] Raca, [d] shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

23 Therefore [e] if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;

24 Leave [f] there thy gift before the altar and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

25 Agree [g] with thine adversary quickly, [h] whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

27 ¶ Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, [i] Thou shalt not commit adultery:

28 But I say unto you, That whosoever [k] looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

29 And if thy right eye [l] offend thee, [m] pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.

30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.

31 It hath been said, [n] Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:

32 But I say unto you, That [o] whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

33 ¶ Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:

34 But I say unto you, [p] Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is [q] God's throne:

35 Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is [r] the city of the great King.

36 Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.

37 But [s] let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

38 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, [t] An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: [u] but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

A. D. 31.

[a] Ro. 9. 31.
[b] ch. 9. 35.
[c] or, *to them.*
[d] ch. 24. 14.
[e] Mar. 1. 34.
[f] Ex. 20. 13.
[g] 1 Jno. 3. 15.
[h] 1. e. *vain fellow.*
[i] 2 Sa. 6. 20.
[k] Ja. 2. 20.
[l] Mar. 3. 7.
[m] ch. 23. 19.
[n] Job 42. 8.
[o] 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[p] Mar. 3. 13, 20.
[q] Pr. 25. 8. Lu. 12. 58, 59.
[r] Ps. 32. 6.
[s] Is. 55. 6.
[t] Ps. 51. 17.
[u] Is. 57. 15.
[v] Is. 61. 2, 3. Jno. 16. 20. 2 Co. 1. 7. Re. 21. 4.
[w] Ps. 37. 11.
[x] Pr. 6. 23.
[y] Ex. 20. 14.
[z] Is. 55. 1. 65. 13.
[a] Ge. 34. 2. 2 Sa. 11. 2. Job 31. 1. Pr. 6. 25.
[b] Ps. 41. 1. Mar. 11. 25. 2 Ti. 1. 16. Ho. 6. 10. Ja. 2. 13.
[c] or, *do cause thee to offend.*
[d] Ps. 15. 2. 24. 4. He. 12. 14.
[e] ch. 19. 12. Ro. 8. 13. 1 Co. 9. 27. Col. 3. 5.
[f] 1 Co. 13. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 2, 3.
[g] 2 Co. 4. 17.
[h] 2 Ti. 4. 8.
[i] 1 Pe. 3. 14.
[k] 1 Pe. 4. 14.
[l] *lying.*
[m] ch. 19. 3. De. 24. 1. Ja. 3. 1.
[n] Ac. 5. 41. Ro. 5. 3. Ja. 1. 2.
[o] 2 Ch. 36. 16.
[p] Lu. 16. 18. Ro. 7. 3.
[q] Pr. 4. 18. Phi. 2. 15.
[r] ch. 23. 16. Ja. 5. 12.
[s] Is. 66. 1.
[t] The word in the original signifieth *a measure containing about a pint less than a peck*
[u] Ps. 48. 2.
[w] Ro. 3. 31. 10. 4. Ga. 3. 24.
[x] Col. 4. 6.
[y] Ex. 21. 24.
[z] Ja. 2. 10.
[a] Is. 50. 6.

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40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy* cloke also.

41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

42 Give to him that asketh thee, and [b] from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

43 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, [d] Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

44 But I say unto you, [e] Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray [f] for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for [h] he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others?* do not even the publicans so?

48 Be [k] ye therefore perfect, even [n] as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

CHAP. VI.

TAKE heed that ye do not your [o] alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward † of your Father which is in heaven.

2 Therefore [r] when thou doest *thine* alms, † do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

3 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

4 That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself [u] shall reward thee openly.

5 ¶ And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites *are:* for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6 But thou, when thou prayest, [v] enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

7 But when ye pray, [x] use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do:* [y] for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: [a] Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

10 Thy kingdom come. [c] Thy will be done in earth, [e] as *it is* in heaven.

11 Give us this day our [d] daily bread.

12 And [e] forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

13 And [f] lead us not into temptation, but [g] deliver us from evil: [h] For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

14 For [i] if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

15 But [m] if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

16 ¶ Moreover [o] when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

17 But thou, when thou fastest, [r] anoint thine head, and wash thy face;

18 That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

19 ¶ Lay [s] not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20 But [t] lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

22 The [l] light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be [t] single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!

24 ¶ No [n] man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. [p] Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

25 Therefore I say unto you, [x] Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

26 Behold [t] the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

27 Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But [b] seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

CHAP. VII.

JUDGE [k] not, that ye be not judged.

2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: [l] and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

A. D. 31.

[a] Is. 58. 5.
[b] De. 15.8,10. Lu. 6.30,35.
[c] Ru. 3. 3. Da. 10. 3.
[d] Le. 19. 18.
[e] Ro. 12.14,20
[f] Ac. 7. 60. 1Co.4.12.13. 1 Pe. 2. 23. 3. 9.
[g] Pr. 23 4. 1 Ti. 6. 17. He. 13. 5. Ja. 5. 1, &c.
[h] Job 25. 3.
[i] ch. 19. 21. 1 Ti. 6. 19. 1 Pe. 1. 4.
[k] Lu.11.34,35.
[l] 2 Co. 11. 3. Ep. 6. 5.
[m] Ge. 17. 1. Col. 1. 28. 4. 12. Ja. 1. 4. 1Pe.1.15,16.
[n] Ep. 5. 1.
[o] Lu. 16. 13.
[p] or, *righteousness.* De. 24. 13. Ps. 112. 9. Da. 4. 27. 2 Co. 9.9,10.
† or, *with.*
[r] Ga. 1. 10. 1 Th. 2. 17. Ja. 4. 4. 1 Joo 3. 15.
[s] Ro. 12. 8. Ps. 55. 22. Lu. 12. 22, &c. Phi. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
‡ or, *cause not a trumpet to be sounded.*
[t] Job 28. 41. Ps. 147. 9.
[u] Lu. 14. 14.
[v] 2 Ki. 4. 33.
[x] Ec. 5. 2.
[y] 1 Ki. 18. 26, 29.
[a] Lu.11.2,&c
[c] Ps. 40. 8. Ac. 21. 14. Ro. 12. 2. He. 13. 21.
[d] Ex. 16. 4. Pr. 30. 8. Ps. 37. 25. Mar. 10. 30. 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[e] Ps. 103. 20. Da. 4. 35.
[f] Job 23. 12.
[g] Pr. 20. 9. ch.18.21,&c
[h] Lu.22.40,46 1 Co. 10. 13. 2 Pe. 2. 9. Re. 3. 10.
[i] Jno. 17. 15.
[k] 1 Co. 29. 11. Ep. 4. 32. Col. 3. 13.
[l] Lu.6.37,&c Ro. 2. 1. 1 Co. 4. 3. 5. Ja. 4. 11, 12.
[m] Ja. 5.1. 24. Ob. 15. Mar. 4. 24. Ja. 2. 13.

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3 And [a] why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye?

5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 ¶ Give [d] not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

7 ¶ Ask, [f] and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

8 For [g] every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

12 Therefore all things [m] whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for [n] this is the law and the prophets.

13 ¶ Enter [o] ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat;

14 [p] Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

15 ¶ Beware [q] of false prophets, [r] which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

17 Even so [s] every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

19 Every [t] tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

21 ¶ Not every one that saith unto me, [u] Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we [d] not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And [f] then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: [v] depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

24 ¶ Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

A. D. 31.

[a] Lu. 18. 11.
[b] ch. 13. 54. Mar. 1. 22. 6. 2. Lu. 4. 32.
[c] Jno. 7. 46.
[d] Pr. 9. 7, 8. 23. 9. Ac. 13. 45, 46.
[e] Le. 13. 42. &c. Mar. 1. 40, &c. Lu. 5. 12, &c
[f] Jno. 14. 13. 15. 7. 16. 23, 24. Ja. 1. 5, 6. 1 Jno. 3. 22. 5. 14, 15.
[g] Jno. 9. 38.
[h] 1 Co. 14. 25.
[i] Pr. 8. 17. Je. 29. 12, 13.
[k] ch. 9. 30. Mar. 5. 43.
[l] Le. 14. 3, 4, 10
[m] Lu. 7. 1, &c.
[n] Lu. 6. 31.
[o] Le. 19. 18. Ro. 13. 8, 10 Ga. 5. 14.
[p] 1 Ti. 1. 5.
[q] Lu. 13. 24.
[r] Lu. 15. 19, 21
[s] Ps. 107. 20.
[t] or, *Heb.*
[u] Je. 23. 16. Ep. 5. 6. Col. 2. 8. 2 Pe. 2. 1...3. 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[v] Mi. 3. 5. 2 Ti. 3. 8.
[w] Ge. 12. 3. Is. 2. 2, 3. 11. 10. Mal. 1. 11. Lu. 13. 29. Ac. 10. 45. 11. 18. 14. 27. Ro. 15. 9, &c Ep. 3. 6.
[x] Je. 11. 19. Ga. 5. 22...24 Ep. 5. 9. Phi. 1. 11. Col. 1. 10.
[y] ch. 21. 43.
[z] ch. 13. 42, 50. 25. 30. Lu. 13. 28. 2 Pe. 2. 17. Jude 13.
[a] ch. 3. 10. Lu. 3. 9. Jno. 15. 2, 6.
[b] Ho. 8. 2 Ac. 19. 13. Ro. 2. 13. Ja. 1. 22.
[c] Mar. 1. 39.. 31. Lu. 4. 38, 39.
[d] 1 Co. 9. 5.
[e] Nu. 24. 4. Jno. 11. 51. 1 Co. 13. 2.
[f] Mar. 1. 32, &c. Lu. 4. 40, 41.
[g] Lu. 13. 25, 27 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[h] ch. 25. 41. Ps. 5. 5.
[i] Is. 53. 4.
[k] 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[l] Lu. 9. 57, 58.

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, [b] the people were astonished at his doctrine:

29 For [c] he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

CHAP. VIII.

WHEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him.

2 And, behold, [e] there came a leper and [f] worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

3 And Jesus put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

4 And Jesus saith unto him, [g] See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that [h] Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

5 ¶ And [i] when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,

6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him.

8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, [p] I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but [r] speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.

9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say *to this man*, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*.

10 When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

11 And I say unto you, That [w] many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.

12 But [x] the children of the kingdom [y] shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

14 ¶ And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw [z] his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.

15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

16 ¶ When [a] the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick:

17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, [k] Himself took our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.

18 ¶ Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.

19 And [l] a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air *have*

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nests; but[a] the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.

21 And [b] another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, [c] suffer me first to go and bury my father.

22 But Jesus said unto him, Follow me; and let [d] the dead bury their dead.

23 ¶ And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.

24 And, [e] behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep.

25 And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.

26 And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, [h] O ye of little faith? Then [i] he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

27 But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!

28 ¶ And [m] when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to [n] torment us before the time?

30 And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

31 So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine.

32 And he said unto them, [o] Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters.

33 And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils.

34 And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, [p] they besought *him* that he would depart out of their coasts.

CHAP. IX.

AND he entered into a ship, and passed over, [q] and came into his own city.

2 And, [r] behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: [s] and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.

3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth.

4 And Jesus [t] knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

5 For whether is easier, to say, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?

6 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

7 And he arose, and departed to his house.

8 But when the multitudes saw *it*, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

9 ¶ And [u] as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

10 ¶ And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.

11 And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with [x] publicans and sinners?

12 But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.

13 But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, [y] I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, [z] but sinners to repentance.

14 ¶ Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, [a] Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not?

15 And Jesus said unto them, Can [b] the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and [c] then shall they fast.

16 No man putteth a piece of [d] new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.

17 Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

18 ¶ While [e] he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.

19 And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples.

20 ¶ And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind *him*, and touched the hem of his garment:

21 For she said within herself, [f] If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.

22 But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; [g] thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

23 And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw [h] the minstrels and the people making a noise,

24 He said unto them, [i] Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn.

25 But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

26 And † the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

27 ¶ And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, [k] *Thou* son of David, have mercy on us.

28 And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord.

29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, [l] See *that* no man know *it*.

31 But [m] they, when they were departed,

A. D. 31.

[a] Is. 53. 2, 3. 2 Co. 8. 9.
[b] Lu. 9. 59, 60.
[c] 1 Ki. 19. 20, 21.
2 Co. 5. 16.
[d] Ep. 2. 1, 5. 5. 14. Col. 2. 13.
[e] Mar. 4. 37, &c. Lu. 8. 23, &c. Ac. 27. 14, &c. 2 Co. 11. 25, 26.
[f] ch. 11. 19. Lu. 5. 30. 15. 2. Ga. 2. 15.
[g] ch. 12. 7. Ho. 6. 6. Mi. 6. 6, 8.
[h] Ro. 4. 20.
[i] Ps. 65. 7. 89. 9. 107. 29.
[k] 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[l] Lu. 18. 12.
[m] Jno. 3. 23.
[n] Mar. 5. 1, &c. Lu. 8. 26, &c.
[o] Ac. 13. 3. 14. 23. 1 Co. 7. 5.
[p] or, *raw*, or, *unwrought cloth*.
[q] Jno. 16. 12. 1 Co. 3. 1, 2.
[r] 2 Pe. 2. 4. Jude 6.
[s] Mar. 5. 22, &c. Lu. 8. 41, &c.
[t] Re. 20. 7.
[u] Ac. 5. 14, 15. 19. 12.
[x] De. 5. 25. 1 Ki. 17. 18. Lu. 5. 8. Ac. 16. 39.
[y] Lu. 7. 50. 17. 19. 18. 42. He. 4. 2.
[z] ch. 4. 13.
[a] 2 Ch. 35. 25.
[b] Mar. 2. 3. Lu. 5. 18.
[c] Ac. 20. 10.
[d] ch. 8. 10.
† or, *this fame*.
[e] ch. 12. 25. Ps. 139. 2. Mar. 12. 15. Lu. 5. 22. 6. 8. 9. 47. 11. 17. He. 4. 12, 13.
[f] ch. 15. 22. 20. 30, 31. Mar. 10. 47, 48. Lu. 18. 38, 39. Ro. 1. 3. 9. 5.
[g] ch. 8. 4. 12. 16. 17. 9. Lu. 5. 14.
[h] Mar. 2. 14, &c. Lu. 5. 27, &c.
[i] Mar. 7. 36.

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spread abroad his fame in all that country.

32 ¶ As [a] they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil.

33 And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel.

34 But the Pharisees said, [d] He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.

35 And [e] Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

36 ¶ But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they [o] fainted, and were scattered abroad, [f] as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, [h] The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the labourers *are* few;

38 Pray [i] ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

CHAP. X.

AND [m] when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power *against* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, [n] who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother;

3 Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James *the son* of Alphæus, and Lebbæus, whose surname was Thaddæus;

4 Simon [p] the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.

5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, [r] Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into *any* city of [s] the Samaritans enter ye not:

6 But [u] go rather to the [v] lost sheep of the house of Israel.

7 And [x] as ye go, preach, saying, [y] The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: [z] freely ye have received, freely give.

9 [a] Provide [b] neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,

10 Nor scrip for *your* journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet † staves: [c] for the workman is worthy of his meat.

11 And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence.

12 And when ye come into an house, salute it.

13 And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: [k] but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you.

14 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, [l] shake off the dust of your feet.

15 Verily I say unto you, [k] It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

16 ¶ Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: [m] be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as [n] doves.

17 But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and [o] they will scourge you in their synagogues;

18 And [r] ye shall be brought before

A. D. 31.

[a] ch. 12. 22. Lu. 11. 14, 15.
[b] Ex. 4. 12. Je. 1. 7.
[c] Ac. 4. 8. 6. 10.
[d] ch. 12. 24. Mar. 3. 22.
[e] Mar. 6. 6. Lu. 13. 22.
[f] Da. 12. 12, 13
[o] or, *were tired and lay down.*
[g] Zec. 10. 2.
† or, *end*, or, *finish.*
[h] Lu. 10. 2. Jno. 4. 35.
[i] 2 Th. 3. 1.
[k] Jno. 13. 16. 15. 20.
[l] ch. 12. 24. Jno. 8. 48, 52.
[m] Mar. 3. 13, 14. 6. 7, &c. Lu. 6. 13, &c. 9. 1, &c.
‡ *Beelzebul.*
[n] or, over.
[n] Jno. 1. 42.
[o] Is. 8. 12, 13. Lu. 12. 4. 1 Pe. 3. 14.
[p] Mar. 3. 18.
‖ *It is in value half-penny farthing in the original, as being the tenth part of the Roman penny,* ch. 18. 28.
[r] ch. 4. 15.
[s] Ac. 27. 34.
[t] 2 Ki. 17. 24. Jno. 4. 9, 20.
[u] ch. 15. 24. Ac. 13. 46.
[x] Is. 53. 6.
[y] 1 Pe. 2. 25.
[z] Ro. 10. 9, 10.
[a] Lu. 9. 2.
[b] ch. 3. 2.
[c] Re. 3. 5.
[b] 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[c] Ac. 8. 18, 20.
[c] or, *Get.*
[d] 1 Sa. 9. 7. Lu. 22. 35.
† *a staff.*
[e] 1 Co. 9. 7, &c. 1 Ti. 5. 18.
[f] Mi. 7. 6.
[k] Lu. 14. 26.
[k] Ps. 73.
[l] Ac. 13. 51. 18. 6.
[k] ch. 11. 22, 24.
[l] Jno. 12. 44. Ga. 4. 14.
[m] Ro. 16. 19. Ep. 5. 15.
‡ or, *simple.*
[n] 1 Co. 14. 20. Phi. 2. 15.
[o] Ac. 5. 40.
[p] ch. 25. 40. He. 6. 10.
[r] Ac. 12. 1. 24. 10. 25. 7, 23.
2 Ti. 4. 16.

governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.

19 But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for [b] it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.

20 For [c] it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

21 And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death.

22 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: [f] but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not † have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.

24 The [k] disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord.

25 It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If [l] they have called the master of the house ‡ Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his houshold?

26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.

27 What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, *that* preach ye upon the housetops.

28 And [o] fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

29 Are not two sparrows sold for a ‖ farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.

30 But [p] the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

31 Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

32 Whosoever [r] therefore shall confess me before men, [s] him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

33 But [s] whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

36 And [t] a man's foes *shall be* they of his own houshold.

37 He [t] that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.

39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

40 ¶ He [l] that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.

41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.

42 And [r] whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold

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water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

CHAP. XI.

AND it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

2 Now [b] when John had heard [c] in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

3 And said unto him, Art thou [f] he that should come, or do we look for another?

4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

5 The [i] blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and [l] the poor have the gospel preached to them.

6 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not [m] be offended in me.

7 ¶ And [n] as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? [o] A reed shaken with the wind?

8 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft *clothing* are in kings' houses.

9 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, [p] and more than a prophet.

10 For this is *he*, of whom it is written, [p] Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

12 And [b] from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven [q] suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

13 For [d] all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.

14 And if ye will receive *it*, this [c] is Elias, which was for to come.

15 He [f] that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

16 ¶ But [t] whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,

17 And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.

19 The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. [u] But wisdom is justified of her children.

20 ¶ Then [v] began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:

21 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago [r] in sackcloth and ashes.

22 But I say unto you, [s] It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.

A. D. 31.

[a] Is. 14. 13. La. 2. 1.
[b] Lu. 7. 18, &c.
[c] ch. 14. 3.
[d] Lu. 10. 21.
[e] Ps. 8. 2. 1Co.1.19,27. 2. 6.
2 Co. 3. 14.
[f] Ge. 49. 10. Nu. 24. 17. Da. 9. 24. Jno. 6. 14.
[g] ch. 16. 17.
[h] ch. 28. 18. Jno. 3. 35. 1 Co. 15. 27.
[i] Is. 42. 7. Jno. 5. 36.
[k] Jno. 1. 18. 10. 15.
[l] Is. 61. 1. Lu. 4. 18. Ja. 2. 5.
[m] Is. 8. 14, 15. Ro. 9. 32, 33. Ga. 5. 11. 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[n] Jno. 13. 13. Phi. 2. 3. 1 Pe. 2. 21. 1 Jno. 2. 6.
[o] Lu. 7. 24.
[p] Zec. 9. 9. Phi. 2. 7, 8.
[r] Jo. 6. 16.
[s] 1 Jno. 5. 3.
[t] Ep. 4. 14.
[u] De. 33. 25. Mar. 2. 23, &c. Lu. 6. 1, &c.
[v] Lu. 1. 76. 7. 26.
[w] Mal. 3. 1. Mar. 1. 2.
[x] 1 Sa. 21. 6.
[y] Ex. 25. 30.
[z] Ex. 29. 32, 33. Le. 8. 31.
[a] Lu. 16. 16.
[b] Nu. 28. 9. Jno. 7. 22.
[c] or, *is gotten by force, and they that thrust men.*
[d] Mal. 4. 6.
[e] ch. 17. 12. Lu. 1. 17.
[f] 2 Ch. 6. 18. [g] Ro. 2.7, &c.
[h] Ro. 6. 6. Mi. 6. 6, 8.
[i] Lu. 7. 31.
[k] Mar. 3. 1, &c. Lu. 6. 6, &c.
[l] Lu. 13. 14. 14. 3. Jno. 9. 16.
[m] Ex. 23. 4, 5. De. 22. 4.
[n] Lu. 7. 35.
[o] Lu. 10. 13, &c.
[p] ch. 27. 1. Jno. 5. 18. 10. 39. 11. 53.
[r] Jon. 3. 7, 8.
† or, *took counsel.*
[s] ch. 10. 15.
[t] ch. 10. 23. Mar. 3. 7.
[u] ch. 19. 2.

23 And thou, Capernaum, [e] which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

24 But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.

25 ¶ At [d] that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because [e] thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, [g] and hast revealed them unto babes.

26 Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

27 All [h] things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; [h] neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.

28 ¶ Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, [k] and learn of me; for I am meek and [k] lowly in heart: [l] and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For [l] my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

CHAP. XII.

AT that time [m] Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.

2 But when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

3 But he said unto them, Have ye not read [y] what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him;

4 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat [z] the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, [a] but only for the priests?

5 Or have ye not read in the [a] law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless?

6 But I say unto you, That in this place is [c] *one* greater than the temple.

7 But if ye had known what *this* meaneth, [b] I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless.

8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

9 And [b] when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:

10 ¶ And, behold, there was a man which had *his* hand withered. And they asked him, saying, [i] Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.

11 And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and [m] if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift *it* out?

12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.

13 Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched *it* forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other.

14 ¶ Then [p] the Pharisees went out, and [†] held a council against him, how they might destroy him.

15 But when Jesus knew *it*, [t] he withdrew himself from thence: [u] and great

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multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;

16 And charged them that they should not make him known:

17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

18 Behold [c] my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, [d] in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

19 He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.

20 A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.

21 And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.

22 ¶ Then [f] was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.

23 And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?

24 But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by [o] Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

25 And Jesus [m] knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

26 And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

27 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out? therefore they shall be your judges.

28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then [r] the kingdom of God is come unto you.

29 Or [s] else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.

30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

31 ¶ Wherefore I say unto you, [u] All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: [w] but the blasphemy *against the Holy* Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.

32 And whosoever [x] speaketh a word against the Son of man, [a] it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, [b] neither in this world, neither in the *world* to come.

33 Either make the tree good, and [c] his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit.

34 O [d] generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

38 ¶ Then [f] certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.

A. D. 31.

[c] ch. 16. 4. Is. 57. 3. Jno. 4. 48.
[b] Jon. 1. 17.
[e] Is. 42. 1. Phi. 2. 6, 7. 1 Pe. 2. 4.
[d] ch. 3. 17. 17. 5. Ep. 1. 6. 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[e] Lu. 11. 32.
[f] Je. 3. 11. Eze. 16. 51, 52. Ro. 2. 27.
[g] Jon. 3. 5.
[h] 1 Ki. 10. 1. 2 Ch. 9. 1. Lu. 11. 31.
[i] ch. 9. 32. Mar. 3. 22. Lu. 11. 14.
[k] Lu. 11. 24.
[l] Job 1. 7. 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[o] *Beelzebul*, ver. 27.
[m] ch. 9. 4. Jno. 2. 25. Re. 2. 23.
[n] He. 6. 4. 10. 26. 2 Pe. 2. 20. 22.
[o] Mar. 3. 31. Lu. 8. 19. 21.
[p] ch. 13. 55. Mar. 6. 3. Jno. 2. 12. 7. 3, 5. Ac. 1. 14. 1 Co. 9. 5. Ga. 1. 19.
[r] Da. 2. 44. 7. 14. Lu. 1. 33. 11. 20. 23. 17. 20, 21.
[s] Is. 49. 24.
[t] Jno. 15. 14. Ga. 5. 6. 6. 15. Col. 3. 11.
[u] Le. 24. 15. Zec. 2. 8. Jno. 20. 17. Ro. 8. 29. He. 2. 11.
[w] Mar. 3. 28. Lu. 12. 10. He. 6. 4, &c. 10. 26, 29. 1 Jno. 5. 16.
[x] Ac. 7. 51.
[a] Mar. 4. 1, &c
[y] Lu. 8. 4, &c.
[z] ch. 11. 19. 13. 55. Jno. 7. 12, 52.
[a] 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[b] Job 36. 13.
[c] ch. 7. 17. Lu. 6. 43. 45.
[d] ch. 3. 7. 23. 33. 1 Jno. 3. 10.
[e] Ge. 26. 12.
[f] ch. 16. 1. Mar. 8. 11. Lu. 11. 16, 29. Jno. 2. 18. 1 Co. 1. 22.
[g] ch. 11. 25. 16. 17. Mar. 4. 11. 1 Co. 2. 10. 1 Jno. 2. 27.

39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and [z] adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

40 For [b] as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly: so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

41 The [c] men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and [f] shall condemn it: [g] because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.

42 The [h] queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.

43 When [i] the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, [l] he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.

44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished.

45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: [n] and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

46 ¶ While he yet talked to the people, [o] behold, *his* mother and [p] his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him.

47 Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.

48 But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

49 And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

50 For [t] whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, [w] the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

CHAP. XIII.

THE same day went Jesus out of the house, [x] and sat by the sea side.

2 And [y] great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

4 And when he sowed, some *seeds* fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some [a] an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

11 He answered and said unto them, Because [g] it is given unto you to know

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the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

12 For [b] whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, [d] By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:

15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and *their* ears *are* dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and should understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

16 But [i] blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

17 For verily I say unto you, [l] That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear *those things* which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

18 ¶ Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

19 When any one heareth the word [n] of the kingdom, and understandeth *it* not, then cometh the wicked *one*, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon [r] with joy receiveth it;

21 Yet hath he not [t] root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by [u] he is offended.

22 He [p] also that received seed [x] among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth *it*; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

24 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed [d] good seed in his field:

25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? [f] from whence then hath it tares?

28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, [h] Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles

A. D. 31.

[a] ch. 3. 12.
[b] ch. 25. 29. Mar. 4. 25. Lu. 8. 18. 19. 26.
[c] Is. 2. 2, 3. Mi. 4. 1. Mar. 4. 30.
[d] Is. 6. 9. Ese. 12. 2. Jno. 12. 40. Ac. 28. 26, 27. Ro. 11. 8. 2 Co. 3. 14.
[e] Lu. 13. 20.
[f] The word in the Greek is *a measure containing about a peck and a half, wanting a little more than a pint.*
[g] He. 5. 11. Mar. 4. 33, 34.
[h] Ps. 78. 2.
[i] ch. 16. 17. Lu. 10. 23, 24. Jno. 20. 29.
[k] Ro. 16. 25, 26. 1 Co. 2. 7. Ep. 3. 9. Col. 1. 26.
[l] He. 11. 13. 1 Pe. 1. 10, 11.
[m] ch. 24. 14. Lu. 24. 47. Ro. 10. 18. Col. 1. 6.
[n] ch. 4. 23. Ac. 20. 25. 28. 23. Ro. 14. 17.
[o] Jno. 8. 44. Ac. 13. 10. 1 Jno. 3. 8.
[p] Joel 3. 13. Re. 14. 15.
[r] Is. 58. 2. Ese. 33. 31, 32. Jno. 5. 35.
[s] ch. 18. 7. 2 Pe. 2. 1, 2.
[t] Job 19. 28. Pr. 12. 3. Ga. 6. 15. Ep. 3. 17.
[u] or, *scandals.*
[x] Re. 19. 20. 20. 10.
[y] ch. 11. 6. 2 Ti. 1. 15.
[z] ch. 8. 12.
[a] ch. 13. 23. Mar. 10. 23. Lu. 18. 24. 1 Ti. 6. 9.
[b] 2 Ti. 4. 10.
[c] Je. 4. 3.
[d] Da. 12. 3. 1 Co. 15. 42, 43. 56.
[e] Phi. 3. 7, 8.
[f] Is. 55. 1. Re. 3. 18.
[g] Col. 1. 5.
[h] 1 Pe. 1. 23.
[i] Pr. 2. 4, 5.
[k] ch. 21. 10.
[l] 1 Co. 1. 11. Ga. 3. 1.
[m] 1 Th. 5. 14. Jude 22, 23.

to burn them: but [g] gather the wheat into my barn.

31 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, [e] The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:

32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

33 ¶ Another [e] parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three [e] measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

34 All [g] these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:

35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, [h] I will open my mouth in parables; [k] I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

38 The [m] field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are [o] the children of the wicked *one*;

39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; [p] the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, [s] and they shall gather out of his kingdom all [t] things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

42 And [u] shall cast them into a furnace of fire: [x] there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

43 Then [a] shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

44 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and [b] selleth all that he hath, and [c] buyeth that field.

45 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

46 Who, when he had found [e] one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

47 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and [f] gathered of every kind:

48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,

50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

51 Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

52 Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe *which is* instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure *things* new and old.

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53 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

54 And [a] when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this *man* this wisdom, and *these* mighty works?

55 Is [b] not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and [c] his brethren, [d] James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this *man* all these things?

57 And they [e] were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, [f] A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

58 And [g] he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

CHAP. XIV.

AT that time [h] Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus,

2 And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works [i] do shew forth themselves in him.

3 ¶ For [k] Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put *him* in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.

4 For John said unto him, [l] It is not lawful for thee to have her.

5 And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, [m] because they counted him as a prophet.

6 But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced [n] before them, and pleased Herod.

7 Whereupon [o] he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask.

8 And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, [p] Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

9 And the king was sorry: [q] nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded *it* to be given *her*.

10 And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison.

11 And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought *it* to her mother.

12 And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

13 ¶ When [r] Jesus heard *of it*, he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart: and when the people had heard *thereof*, they followed him on foot out of the cities.

14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and [s] was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

15 ¶ And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals.

16 But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat.

17 And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

18 He said, Bring them hither to me.

19 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, [u] he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to *his* disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.

20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.

21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.

22 ¶ And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

23 And [t] when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: [u] and when the evening was come, he was there alone.

24 But the ship was now [v] in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.

26 And when the disciples saw him [w] walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.

27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; [x] it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind † boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth *his* hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, [y] wherefore didst thou doubt?

32 And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.

33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou [z] art the Son of God.

34 ¶ And [a] when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret.

35 And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased;

36 And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and [b] as many as touched were made perfectly whole.

CHAP. XV.

THEN [c] came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,

2 Why [d] do thy disciples transgress [e] the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.

3 But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?

4 For God commanded, saying, [f] Honour thy father and mother: and, [h] He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.

5 But ye say, Whosoever shall say to *his* father or *his* mother, [i] *It is* a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;

6 And honour not his father or his mother, *he shall be free*. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.

7 *Ye* [k] hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,

8 This [l] people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with

A. D. 32.

[a] ch. 2 23. Mar. 6. 1, &c. Lu. 4 16, &c.
[b] Is. 49. 7. Lu. 3. 23. Jno. 6. 42.
[c] ch. 12. 46.
[d] Mar. 15. 40.
[e] Mar. 6. 46.
[f] Jno. 6. 16.
[g] ch. 11. 6.
[h] Jno. 4. 44.
[i] Is. 54. 11.
[k] Ro. 11. 20. He. 3. 12., 19. 4. 6. 11.
[l] Ps. 93. 3, 4. 104. 3.
[m] Job 9. 8.
[n] Mar. 6. 14, &c. Lu. 9. 7, &c. Ac. 4. 27.
[o] Is. 41. 4, 10, 14. 51. 12. Re. 1. 17, 18.
[p] or, *are wrought by him.*
[q] Lu. 3. 19, 20.
[r] Le. 18. 16. 20. 21.
† or, *strong.*
[s] ch. 21. 26. Lu. 20. 6.
‡ *in the midst*
[t] Ro. 4. 18. 20. Ja. 1. 6. 8.
[u] Es. 5. 3, 6. 7. 2.
[v] Pr. 1. 16. 29. 10.
[w] Ec. 5. 2.
[x] ch. 16. 16. Pr. 2. 7. Mar. 1. 1. Lu. 4. 41. Jno. 1. 49. 11. 27. Ac. 8. 37. Ro. 1. 4.
[a] Mar. 6. 53.
[b] Mar. 3. 10. Lu. 6. 19. Ac. 19. 12.
[c] Mar. 6. 32, &c. Lu. 9. 10, &c. Jno. 6. 1, &c.
[d] Mar. 7. 1, &c
[e] Ga. 1. 14.
[f] Col. 2. 8.
[g] ch. 9. 36.
[h] Ex. 20. 12. Le. 19. 3. De. 5. 16. Pr. 23. 22. Ep. 6. 2.
[i] Ex. 21. 17. Le. 20. 9. De. 27. 16. Pr. 20. 20. 30. 17.
[k] Mar. 7. 11, 12
[l] Lu. 12. 56.
[m] Is. 29. 13. Eze. 33. 31
[n] ch. 15. 36. Ac. 27. 35. 1 Co. 10. 31.

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their lips; but their heart is far from me.
9 But in vain they do worship me, [b] teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.
10 ¶ And [c] he called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand:
11 Not [d] that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.
12 Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?
13 But he answered and said, [b] Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.
14 Let them alone: [e] they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.
15 Then [f] answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.
16 And Jesus said, [g] Are ye also yet without understanding?
17 Do not ye yet understand, that [m] whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?
18 But [n] those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.
19 For [p] out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:
20 These are *the things* which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.
21 ¶ Then [q] Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon.
22 And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, *thou* son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.
23 But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us.
24 But he answered and said, [r] I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
25 Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me.
26 But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast *it* to [s] dogs.
27 And she said, Truth, Lord: [b] yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.
28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, [t] great *is* thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.
29 And [d] Jesus departed from thence, and came nigh [u] unto the sea of Galilee; and went up into a mountain, and sat down there.
30 And [f] great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them:
31 Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.
32 ¶ Then [i] Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and said, [k] I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting, [v] lest they faint in the way.
33 And [e] his disciples say unto him, Whence should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?
34 And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes.
35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground.
36 And [f] he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and [g] gave thanks, and brake *them*, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.
37 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven baskets full.
38 And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.
39 And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala.

CHAP. XVI.

THE [a] Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.
2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be* fair weather: for the sky is red.
3 And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O *ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not [w] discern the signs of the times?
4 A [x] wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, [m] but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.
5 And [y] when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread.
6 ¶ Then Jesus said unto them, [z] Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.
7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread.
8 *Which* when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?
9 Do [a] ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?
10 Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?
11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake *it* not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?
12 Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.
13 ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, [c] Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
14 And they said, [b] Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.
15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?
16 And Simon Peter answered and said, [f] Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
17 And Jesus answered and said unto

A. D. 32.

[a] 1 Sa. 30.11, 12.
[b] Is. 29. 13. Col. 2. 18, 22. Tit. 1. 14. He. 13. 9.
[c] 2 Ki. 4. 43.
[d] Mar. 7. 14, 16.
[e] Ac. 10. 15. Ro. 14. 14, 17, 20. 1 Ti. 4. 4.
[f] ch. 14. 19.
[g] 1 Sa. 9. 13. Lu. 22. 19. Ro. 14. 6.
[h] Ps. 92. 13, 15. Jno. 15. 2. 1 Co. 3. 12, &c.
[i] Is. 9. 16.
[k] Mal. 2. 6. Lu. 6. 39.
[l] Mar. 7. 17, 23.
[m] ch. 16. 9. 1 Co. 6. 13.
[n] ch. 12. 33. Mar. 8. 11, &c. Lu. 11. 16. 12. 54, 56. 1 Co. 1. 22.
[o] Ja. 3. 6.
[p] Ge. 6. 5, 8. 21. Pr. 6. 14. Je. 17. 9. Ro. 3. 10, 18.
[q] 1 Ch. 12. 32.
[r] ch. 12. 39. Ac. 2. 40.
[s] Mar. 7. 24, 30.
[t] Jon. 1. 17.
[u] Mar. 8. 14.
[v] Lu. 12. 1. 1 Co. 5. 6, 8. Ga. 5. 9.
[w] ch. 10. 5, 6. Is. 53. 6. Lu. 15. 4, 6. Ac. 3. 25, 26. 13. 46. Ro. 15. 8.
[x] ch. 14. 17. Jno. 6. 9.
[a] ch. 7. 6. Ep. 2. 12. Phi. 3. 2.
[b] Ro. 3. 29. 10. 12. Ep. 2. 13, 19.
[c] 1 Sa. 2. 30. Lu. 17. 5. Ro. 4. 19, 20. 2 Th. 1. 3.
[d] Mar. 7. 31.
[e] ch. 4. 18.
[f] ch. 11. 5. Is. 35. 5, 6. Lu. 7. 22.
[g] Mar. 8. 27, &c. Lu. 9. 18, &c.
[h] ch. 14. 2. Lu. 9. 7, 9.
[i] Mar. 8. 1.
[k] He. 4. 15.
[l] ch. 14. 33. Jno. 6. 69. 11. 27. Ac. 8. 37. 9. 20. 1 Jno. 4. 15. 5. 5. He. 1. 2, 5.

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him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: [a] for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but [c] my Father which is in heaven.

18 And I say also unto thee, That [d] thou art Peter, [e] and upon this rock I will build my church; and [f] the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

19 And [g] I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

20 Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

21 ¶ From that time forth began Jesus [m] to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

22 Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, [o] Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.

23 But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, [o] Satan: [p] thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.

24 ¶ Then [r] said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

25 For [s] whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or [u] what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

27 For [x] the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father [y] with his angels; [z] and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they [b] see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

CHAP. XVII.

AND [c] after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

3 And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

4 Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

5 While [d] he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, [e] This is my beloved Son, [f] in whom I am well pleased; [h] hear ye him.

6 And [i] when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.

7 And Jesus came and [k] touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.

8 And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.

9 And as they came down from the mountain, [m] Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

A. D. 32.

[a] Ep. 2. 8.
[b] Mal. 4. 5.
[c] 1 Co. 2. 10. Ga. 1. 16.
[d] Jno. 1. 42.
[e] Ep. 2. 20. Re. 21. 14.
[f] Mal. 4. 6. Lu. 1. 16, 17. Ac. 3. 21.
[g] Job 38. 17. Ps. 9. 13. 107. 18. Is. 38. 10.
[h] Jno. 1. 11.
[i] ch. 18. 18. Jno. 20. 23.
[j] ch. 14. 3, 10.
[k] ch. 16. 21.
[l] ch. 11. 14.
[m] Mar. 9. 14, &c. Lu. 9. 37, &c.
[n] ch. 20. 17. Mar. 10. 33. Lu. 18. 31. 24. 6, 7.
[o] *Pity thyself*
[p] 2 Sa. 19. 22.
[r] Ro. 8. 7.
[s] Ac. 14. 22. 1 Th. 3. 3. 2 Ti. 3. 12.
[t] ch. 21. 21. Mar. 11. 23. Lu. 17. 6. 1 Co. 12. 9. 13. 2.
[u] Lu. 17. 33. Jno. 12. 25.
[x] Ps. 49. 7, 8.
[y] ch. 16. 21. 20. 17. Mar. 10. 33.
[z] ch. 26. 64.
[b] Da. 7. 10. Zec. 14. 5. Jude 14.
[c] Ro. 2. 6. 2 Co. 5. 10. Re. 22. 12.
[d] Mar. 9. 33.
[e] Lu. 21. 27, 28.
† Called in the original, *didrachma*, being in value fifteen-pence, Ex. 30. 13. 38. 26.
[f] Mar. 9. 2, &c. Lu. 9. 28, &c.
‡ or, *a stater*. It is half an ounce of silver, in value 2*s.* 6*d.* after 5*s.* the ounce.
[d] 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[e] ch. 3. 17. Mar. 1. 11. Lu. 3. 22.
[f] Is. 42. 1.
[g] Lu. 9. 46, &c.
[h] De. 18. 15, 19. Ac. 3. 22, 23.
[i] 2 Pe. 1. 18.
[k] Da. 8. 18.
[l] Ps. 131. 2. 1 Co. 14. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[m] Mar. 8. 30.
[n] ch. 20. 17.

10 And his disciples asked him, saying, [b] Why then say the scribes that Elias must first come?

11 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and [f] restore all things.

12 But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, [h] and they knew him not, but [j] have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise [k] shall also the Son of man suffer of them.

13 Then [l] the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.

14 ¶ And [m] when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a *certain* man, kneeling down to him, and saying,

15 Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oftimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water.

16 And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him.

17 Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.

18 And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, [r] If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

21 Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

22 ¶ And [o] while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men:

23 And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.

24 ¶ And [o] when they were come to Capernaum, they that received † tribute *money* came to Peter, and said, Doth not your master pay tribute?

25 He saith, Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers?

26 Peter saith unto him, Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him, Then are the children free.

27 Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find ‡ a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.

CHAP. XVIII.

AT [s] the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3 And said, Verily I say unto you, [t] Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4 Whosoever [u] therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

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5 And [a] whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

6 But [b] whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7 ¶ Woe unto the world because of offences! for [c] it must needs be that offences come; but [d] woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

8 Wherefore [e] if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast *them* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

9 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven [g] their angels do always [h] behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

11 For [k] the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

12 How [l] think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray?

13 And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that *sheep*, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.

14 Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

15 ¶ Moreover [m] if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, [n] thou hast gained thy brother.

16 But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in [o] the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an [p] heathen man and a publican.

18 Verily I say unto you, [q] Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

19 Again [r] I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, [s] it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

21 [t] Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? [u] till seven times?

22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: [v] but, Until seventy times seven.

23 ¶ Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand [†] talents.

25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him [‡] to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

26 The servant therefore fell down, and

A. D. 32.

[a] ch. 10. 42.
[b] or, *besought him.*
[c] Lu. 17. 1, 2.
[†] *The Roman penny is the eighth part of an ounce, which after five shillings the ounce is seven pence halfpenny.* ch. 20. 2.
[d] 1 Co. 11. 19.
[e] ch. 26. 24.
[f] ch. 5. 29, 30.
[g] Ro. 3. 19.
[h] Ps. 34. 7. Zec. 13. 7.
[k] Ho. 1. 14.
[l] Lu. 15. 4.
[m] Lu. 1. 19.
[n] Ep. 4. 32. 5. 1, 2. Col. 3. 13.
[o] Lu. 19. 10. Joh. 3. 17. 12. 47.
[p] Lu. 15. 4.
[q] Pr. 21. 13. Ja. 2. 13.
[r] Mar. 10. 1, &c. Joh. 10. 40.
[s] Lu. 19. 17.
[t] ch. 12. 15.
[u] Ja. 5. 20. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[v] De. 17. 6. Joh. 8. 17. 2 Co. 13. 1. He. 10. 28.
[w] Ge. 1. 27. 5. 2. Mal. 2. 15.
[x] Ge. 2. 24. Ep. 5. 31.
[y] Ro. 16. 17. 1 Co. 5. 9. 2 Th. 3. 6, 14.
[z] 2 Joh. 10
[a] Joh. 20. 23. 1 Co. 5. 4.
[b] 1 Co. 6. 6.
[c] ch. 5. 24.
[d] ch. 5. 31. De. 24. 1.
[e] 1 Joh. 3. 22. 5. 14.
[f] ch. 5. 32. Lu. 16. 18. 1 Co. 7. 10, 11.
[g] Lu. 17. 4.
[h] ch. 6. 14. Mar. 11. 25. Col. 3. 13.
[i] Pr. 21. 19.
[k] 1 Co. 7. 3, &c.
[†] *A talent is 750 ounces of silver, which after five shillings the ounce is* 187*l.* 10*s.*
[‡] 2 Ki. 4. 1. Ne. 5. 8.
[l] 1 Co. 7. 32, 34.

worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred [†] pence: and he laid hands on him, and took *him* by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.

29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

30 And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, *O* thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:

33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, [i] even as I had pity on thee?

34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

35 So [m] likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

CHAP. XIX.

AND it came to pass, [n] *that* when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judæa beyond Jordan;

2 And [p] great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.

3 ¶ The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, [q] that he which made *them* at the beginning made them male and female,

5 And said, [r] For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and [s] they twain shall be one flesh?

6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

7 They say unto him, [t] Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

9 And [u] I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except *it be* for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

10 ¶ His disciples say unto him, [v] If the case of the man be so with *his* wife, it is not good to marry.

11 But he said unto them, [w] All men cannot receive this saying, save *they* to whom it is given.

12 For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from *their* mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and [x] there be eunuchs, which have made themselves

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eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive *it*, let him receive *it*.

13 ¶ Then [a] were there brought unto him little children, that he should put *his* hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.

14 But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for [b] of such is the kingdom of heaven.

15 And he laid *his* hands on them, and departed thence.

16 ¶ And, behold, one came and said unto him, [c] Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

18 He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, [d] Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

19 Honour *f* thy father and *thy* mother: and, [e] Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, [g] go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me.

22 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.

23 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That [i] a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24 And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

25 When his disciples heard *it*, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26 But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but [k] with God all things are possible.

27 ¶ Then [l] answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, [m] we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?

28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, [n] ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29 And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

30 But [o] many *that are* first shall be last; and the last *shall be* first.

CHAP. XX.

FOR the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an housholder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.

2 And when he had agreed with the labourers for a †penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

3 And he went out about the third hour, and saw others *f* standing idle in the marketplace,

4 And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

5 Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

6 And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?

7 They say unto him, [b] Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, *that* shall ye receive.

8 So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his *steward*, Call the labourers, and give them *their* hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

9 And when they came that *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.

10 But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny.

11 And when they had received *it*, they murmured against the goodman of the house,

12 Saying, These last [o] have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

13 But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?

14 Take *that* thine *is*, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.

15 Is [c] it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? [b] Is thine eye evil, because I am good?

16 So [m] the last shall be first, and the first last: [n] for many be called, but few chosen.

17 ¶ And [e] Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,

18 Behold, [f] we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,

19 And [r] shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify *him*: and the third day he shall rise again.

20 ¶ Then came to him the mother of [p] Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping *him*, and desiring a certain thing of him.

21 And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons [q] may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

22 But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of [s] the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with [t] the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.

23 And he saith unto them, [s] Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, [d] but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.

24 And [e] when the ten heard *it*, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.

25 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them,

A. D. 33.

[a] Mar. 10. 13, &c. Lu. 18. 15, &c.
[b] Ac. 17. 30, 31. Ro. 10. 14.. 17. Ep. 2. 11, 12. 3. 5, 6. Col. 1. 26.
[c] ch. 18. 3.
[d] Lu. 10. 25.
[e] Ex. 20. 13. De. 5. 17.
[f] ch. 15. 4.
[g] Lu. 12. 18. Ro. 12. 9. Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[h] or, *have continued one hour only.*
[i] ch. 6. 20. Lu. 12. 33. 16. 9. Ac. 2. 45. 4. 34, 35. 1 Ti. 6. 18, 19.
[k] Ro. 9. 21.
[l] ch. 6. 23. De. 15. 9. Pr. 23. 6.
[m] ch. 13. 22. 1 Co. 1. 26. 1 Ti. 6. 9, 10.
[n] ch. 19. 30.
[o] ch. 22. 14.
[p] Mar. 10. 32, &c. Lu. 18. 31, &c. Jno. 12. 12, &c.
[q] ch. 16. 21.
[r] ch. 27. 2. Lu. 23. 1. Jno. 18. 28, &c. Ac. 3. 13.
[s] Ge. 18. 14. Job 42. 2. Je. 32. 17. Lu. 1. 37. 18. 27.
[t] Mar. 10. 28, &c.
[u] ch. 4. 20. De. 33. 9. Lu. 5. 11.
[v] ch. 4. 21.
[w] ch. 20. 21. Lu. 22. 28, &c. 1 Co. 6. 2, 3. Re. 2. 26.
[x] ch. 19. 28.
[y] Lu. 22. 42. Jno. 18. 11.
[z] Lu. 12. 50.
[a] Lu. 13. 30.
[b] Ac. 12. 2. Re. 8. 17. 2 Co. 1. 7. Re. 1. 9.
[c] ch. 25. 34.
† *The Roman penny is the eighth part of an ounce, which after five shillings the ounce is seven pence halfpenny.* ch. 18. 28.
[d] Lu. 22. 24, 25.
[e] He. 6. 12.

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and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

26 But [a] it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;

27 And [b] whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

28 Even [c] as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, [d] but to minister, and [e] to give his life a ransom [f] for many.

29 And [g] as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

30 ¶ And, behold, [h] two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* son of David.

31 And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* son of David.

32 And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

33 They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.

34 So Jesus had compassion *on them*, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

CHAP. XXI.

AND [r] when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto [s] the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples,

2 Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose *them*, and bring *them* unto me.

3 And if any *man* say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; [t] and straightway he will send them.

4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

5 Tell [u] ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

6 And [v] the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,

7 And brought the ass, and the colt, and [w] put on them their clothes, and they set *him* thereon.

8 And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; [x] others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.

9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, [y] Hosanna to the son of David: [z] Blessed *is he* that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

10 And [a] when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?

11 And the multitude said, This is Jesus the [b] prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.

12 ¶ And [c] Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the [d] moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves,

13 And said unto them, It is written, [e] My house shall be called the house of prayer; [f] but ye have made it a den of thieves.

14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.

15 And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, A. D. 33.

[a] 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[b] Ps. 8. 2.
[c] ch. 18. 4.
[d] Jno. 13. 4. Phi. 2. 7.
[e] Lu. 22. 27. Jno. 13. 14.
[f] Mar. 11. 11.. 14. Jno. 11. 18.
[g] Is. 53. 10, 11. Da. 9. 24, 26. Jno. 11. 51, 52. 1 Ti. 2. 6. Tit. 2. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[h] ch. 25. 28. Ro. 5. 15, 19. He. 9. 28.
[i] Mar. 10. 46. Lu. 18. 35.
[k] *one fig tree*
[l] ch. 9. 27.
[m] ch. 17. 20.
[n] Ja. 1. 6.
[o] 1 Co. 13. 2.
[p] ch. 7. 7. Ja. 5. 16. 1 Jno. 3. 22. 5. 14.
[q] Mar. 11. 27. Lu. 20. 1, &c.
[r] Mar. 11. 1, &c. Lu. 19. 29, &c
[s] Zec. 14. 4.
[t] Ex. 2. 14. Ac. 4. 7. 7. 27.
[u] Col. 4. 6.
[v] Exr. 1. 1. 2 Co. 8. 16. Ja. 1. 17.
[w] 1 Jno. 3. 20.
[x] Is. 62. 11. Zec. 9. 9. Jno. 12. 15.
[y] ch. 14. 5.
[z] Mar. 11. 4.
[a] 2 Ki. 9. 13.
[b] Lu. 23. 40. Jno. 12. 13.
[c] Ps. 118. 25, 26.
[d] ch. 23. 39.
[e] Jno. 2. 13, 15.
[f] Lu 7. 29, 30. Ro. 5. 20. 9. 30. 33.
[g] ch. 3. 1, &c.
[h] Lu. 7. 16. Jno. 6. 14. 7. 40. 9. 17.
[i] Lu. 3. 12, 13.
[k] Lu. 19. 45.
[l] Da. 9. 24, 25.
[m] Ps. 80. 9. Is. 5. 1. Je. 2. 21. Mar. 12. 1, &c. Lu. 20. 9, &c.
[n] Is. 56. 7.
[o] ch. 25. 14, 15.
[p] Je. 7. 11.
[q] Ca. 8. 11, 12.
[r] ch. 5. 12. 23. 34, 37. 2 Ch. 24. 21. 36. 16. Ac. 7. 52. He. 11. 36, 37

and saying, Hosanna to the son of David; they were sore displeased,

16 And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, [a] Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?

17 ¶ And he left them, and went out of the city into [b] Bethany; and he lodged there.

18 Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he hungered.

19 And when he saw [c] a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away.

20 And when the disciples saw *it*, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away!

21 Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, [d] If ye have faith, and [e] doubt not, ye shall not only do this *which is done* to the fig tree, [f] but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.

22 And [g] all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing, ye shall receive.

23 ¶ And [h] when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and [i] said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?

24 And Jesus answered and said unto them, [k] I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.

25 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, [l] Why did ye not then believe him?

26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; [m] for all hold John as a prophet.

27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

28 ¶ But what think ye? A *certain* man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.

29 He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.

30 And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I *go*, sir: and went not.

31 Whether of them twain did the will of *his* father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, [n] That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you.

32 For [o] John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: [p] but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen *it*, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.

33 ¶ Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, [q] which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and [r] went into a far country:

34 And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, [s] that they might receive the fruits of it.

35 And [t] the husbandmen took his ser-

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vants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.

36 Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.

37 But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.

38 But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, [a] This is the heir; [b] come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.

39 And [c] they caught him, and cast *him* out of the vineyard, and slew *him*.

40 When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?

41 They [d] say unto him, [A] He will miserably destroy those wicked men, [e] and will let out *his* vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

42 Jesus saith unto them, [f] Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.

44 And [m] whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, [n] it will grind him to powder.

45 And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they perceived that he spake of them.

46 But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude, because [o] they took him for a prophet.

CHAP. XXII.

AND Jesus answered [p] and spake unto them again by parables, and said,

2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,

3 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.

4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: [q] my oxen and *my* fatlings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready: come unto the marriage.

5 But [r] they made light of *it*, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated *them* spitefully, and slew *them*.

7 But when the king heard *thereof*, he was wroth: and he sent forth [s] his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not [t] worthy.

9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and [f] gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.

11 ¶ And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man [A] which had not on a wedding garment:

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

A. D. 33.

[a] ch. 8. 12.
[b] ch. 20. 16.
[c] Mar. 12. 13, &c. Lu. 20. 20, &c.
[d] Ps. 2. 8. Heb. 1. 2.
[e] ch. 26. 3. 27. 1. Ps. 2. 2. Jno. 11. 53. Ac. 4. 27.
[f] ch. 26. 50, &c. Ac. 2. 23.
[g] Lu. 20. 16.
[A] Lu. 21. 24. He. 2. 3.
[i] Ac. 13. 46. Ro. 11. 11.
[k] Ps. 118. 22. Is. 28. 16. Ep. 2. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 6, 7.
[l] In value sevenpence halfpenny. ch. 20. 2.
† or, *inscriptions.*
[l] ch. 17. 25. Ro. 13. 7.
[m] Is. 8. 14, 15. Zec. 12. 3. Lu. 20. 18. 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[n] Is. 60. 12. Da. 2. 44.
[o] Mar. 12. 18, &c. Lu. 20. 27, &c.
[p] Ac. 23. 6.
[r] De. 25. 5.
[r] ver. 11. Lu. 7. 16. Jno. 7. 40.
[t] Lu. 14. 16, &c. Re. 19. 7, 9.
‡ *seven.*
[u] Jno. 20. 9.
[v] Pr. 9. 2. Ca. 5. 1. Jno. 6. 50, 58. Ro. 8. 32. 1 Co. 5. 7, 8.
[w] 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[y] Ge. 25. 34. Ro. 2. 4. He. 2. 3.
[z] Ex. 3. 6, 16. Mar. 12. 26. Lu. 20. 37. Ac. 7. 32. He. 11. 16.
[a] Da. 9. 26. Lu. 19. 27.
[b] ch. 7. 28. Mar. 12. 28.
[d] ch. 10. 11, 13. Ac. 13. 46.
[e] Lu. 10. 25.
[f] ch. 13. 24, 47.
[g] De. 6. 5. 10. 12. 30. 6. Lu. 10. 27.
[h] 2 Co. 5. 3. Ep. 4. 24. Col. 3. 10, 12. Re. 3. 4.
[i] Le. 19. 18. Ro. 13. 9. Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[k] 1 Ti. 1. 5.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* [a] into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

14 For [b] many are called, but few *are* chosen.

15 ¶ Then [c] went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in *his* talk.

16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any *man*: for thou regardest not the person of men.

17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not?

18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, *ye* hypocrites?

19 Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a [e] penny.

20 And he saith unto them, Whose *is* this image and † superscription?

21 They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, [f] Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's.

22 When they had heard *these words*, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

23 ¶ The [g] same day came to him the Sadducees, [h] which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

24 Saying, Master, [i] Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:

26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the ‡ seventh.

27 And last of all the woman died also.

28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, [k] not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but [l] are as the angels of God in heaven.

31 But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,

32 I [m] am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

33 And when the multitude heard *this*, [n] they were astonished at his doctrine.

34 ¶ But [o] when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.

35 Then one of them, *which was* [p] a lawyer, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying,

36 Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law?

37 Jesus said unto him, [q] Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

38 This is the first and great commandment.

39 And the second *is* like unto it, [r] Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

40 On [s] these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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41 ¶ While [a] the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,

42 Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, *The son* of David.

43 He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying,

44 The [b] LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool?

45 If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

46 And [c] no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any *man* from that day forth ask him any more *questions*.

CHAP. XXIII.

THEN spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

2 Saying, [d] The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:

3 All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, *that* observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for [e] they say, and do not.

4 For [m] they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers.

5 But [g] all their works they do for to be seen of men: [p] they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,

6 And [r] love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,

7 And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

8 But [s] be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, *even* Christ; and all ye are brethren.

9 And call no *man* your father upon the earth: [u] for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

10 Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ.

11 But [y] he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

12 And [a] whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

13 ¶ But [d] woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

14 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! [h] for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

16 Woe unto you, [m] *ye* blind guides, which say, [n] Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!

17 *Ye* fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, [p] or the temple that sanctifieth the gold?

18 And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is [t] guilty.

19 *Ye* fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or [s] the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

A. D. 33.

[a] Mar. 12. 35.
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 13. Ps. 132. 14.
[c] Ps. 110. 1. Ac. 2. 34. 1 Co. 15. 25. Heb. 1. 13. 10. 12, 13.
[d] Ps. 11. 4. Ac. 7. 49.
[e] Lu. 11. 42.
[o] *anethon, dill.*
[f] ch. 9. 13. 12. 7. 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ho. 6. 6. Mi. 6. 8.
[g] Lu. 14. 6.
[h] Mar. 7. 4. Lu. 11. 39.
[i] Mal. 2. 7. Mar. 12. 38. Lu. 20. 45.
[k] 2 Co. 7. 1. He. 10. 22. Ja. 4. 8.
[l] Ro. 2. 19, &c.
[m] Lu. 11. 46. Ac. 15. 10. Ga. 6. 13.
[n] Ac. 25. 3.
[o] ch. 6. 1, 2, 5, 16.
[p] Nu. 15. 38. De. 6. 8. 22. 12. Pr. 3. 3.
[r] Lu. 11. 43. 3 Joo. 9.
[s] 2 Co. 1. 24. Ja. 3. 1. 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[t] Ac. 7. 51, 52. 1 Th. 2. 15, 16.
[u] Mal. 1. 6.
[v] Ge. 15. 16.
[w] ch. 3. 7. 12. 34.
[y] ch. 20. 26, 27.
[z] ch. 21. 34, 35. Lu. 11. 49.
[a] Job 22. 29. Pr. 29. 23. Ja. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[b] Ac. 5. 40. 22. 19.
[c] 2 Co. 11. 24.
[d] Lu. 11. 52.
[e] Re. 18. 24.
[f] Ge. 4. 8. 1 Joo. 3. 12.
[g] 2 Ch. 24. 20.
[h] 2 Ti. 3. 6. Tit. 1. 11.
[i] Lu. 13. 34.
[k] De. 32. 11, 12
[l] Ps. 17. 8. 91. 4.
[m] ch. 15. 14.
[n] ch. 5. 33, 34.
[o] Ps. 118. 26.
[p] Ex. 30. 29.
[r] Mar. 13. 1, &c. Lu. 21. 5, &c.
† or, *debtor*, or, *bound*.
[s] Ex. 29. 37.
[t] 1 Ki. 9. 7. Je. 26. 18. Mic. 3. 12. Lu. 19. 44.

20 Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon.

21 And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by [t] him that dwelleth therein.

22 And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by [d] the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.

23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! [o] for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and [f] have omitted the weightier *matters* of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

24 *Ye* blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! [h] for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

26 *Thou* blind Pharisee, [k] cleanse first that *which is* within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.

27 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! [w] for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead *men's* bones, and of all uncleanness.

28 Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

29 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

30 And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.

31 Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that [z] ye are the children of them which killed the prophets.

32 Fill [a] ye up then the measure of your fathers.

33 *Ye* serpents, *ye* [b] generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

34 ¶ Wherefore, [c] behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and [d] *some* of them ye shall kill and crucify; and [e] *some* of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city:

35 That [f] upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from [g] the blood of righteous Abel unto [h] the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.

36 Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.

37 O [i] Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would [k] I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens [l] under *her* wings, and ye would not!

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, [m] Blessed *is he* that cometh in the name of the Lord.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND [r] Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to *him* for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, [n] There shall not be left here one stone

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upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

3 ¶ And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, [b] Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, [c] Take heed that no man deceive you.

5 For [d] many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

8 All these *are* the beginning of sorrows.

9 Then [h] shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

10 And then shall many [i] be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

11 And [k] many false prophets shall rise, and [l] shall deceive many.

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

13 But [m] he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

14 And this [n] gospel of the kingdom [o] shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by [p] Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

16 Then let them which be in Judæa flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And [q] woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For [r] then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but [s] for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

23 Then [t] if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or there; believe *it* not.

24 For [u] there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, [v] if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

25 Behold, I have told you before.

26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, *he is* in the secret chambers; believe *it* not.

27 For [x] as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

28 For [y] wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

29 ¶ Immediately after the tribulation of those days [z] shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

30 And [a] then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: [b] and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and [c] they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31 And [d] he shall send his angels with a [e] great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

32 Now learn [f] a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer *is* nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know [g] that [†] it is near, *even* at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

35 Heaven [m] and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

36 ¶ But [n] of that day and hour knoweth no *man*, no, not the angels of heaven, [p] but my Father only.

37 But as the days of Noe *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For [q] as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

40 Then [r] shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41 Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

42 ¶ Watch [s] therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

43 But [t] know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

45 Who [u] then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his houshold, to give them meat in due season?

46 Blessed [v] *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

49 And shall begin to smite *his* fellow-servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

51 And shall cut him [‡] asunder, and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

CHAP. XXV.

THEN shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet [m] the bridegroom.

2 And [n] five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish.

A. D. 33.

[a] Da. 7. 13.
[b] 1 Th. 5. 1.
[c] Zec. 12. 12.
[d] ch. 16. 27. Re. 1. 7.
[e] Ep. 5. 6. Col. 3. 6. 2 Th. 2. 3.
[f] 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[g] Je. 14. 14. Jno. 5. 43.
[h] ch. 13. 41. 1 Co. 15. 52. 1 Th. 4. 16.
[i] or, *trumpet, and a great voice*
[k] Lu. 21. 29.
[l] Je. 5. 9.
[†] or, *he*.
[k] 1 Pe. 4. 16. Re. 2. 10, 13.
[l] ch. 11. 6. 2 Ti. 1. 15. 4. 10, 16.
[m] ch. 5. 18. Ps. 102. 26. Is. 51. 6. Je. 31. 35, 36. Lu. 21. 33. He. 1. 11.
[n] Ac. 1. 7.
[o] 1 Th. 5. 2. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[p] ch. 7. 15. Ac. 20. 29. 1 Pe. 4. 3. 1 Ti. 4. 1.
[q] Zec. 14. 7.
[r] ch. 10. 22. He. 3. 6, 14.
[s] Ge. 6. 3. 5.
[t] ch. 24. 20.
[u] Ro. 10. 18. Col. 1. 6, 23.
[x] Lu. 17. 34, &c.
[y] Da. 9. 27. 12. 11.
[z] ch. 25. 13.
[a] 2 Pe. 3. 10. Re. 3. 3. 16. 15.
[b] Lu. 23. 29.
[c] Da. 12. 1. Joel 2. 2.
[d] Ac. 20. 28. 1 Co. 4. 5. He. 3. 5.
[e] Re. 16. 15.
[f] Is. 65. 8, 9. Zec. 14. 2, 3.
[g] Mar. 13. 21. Lu. 17. 23.
[h] De. 13. 1. 2 Th. 2. 9, 11. Re. 13. 13.
[i] Jno. 6. 37. 10. 28, 29. Ro. 8. 38, 39. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[‡] or, *off*.
[k] Lu. 17. 34.
[l] Job 39. 30. Lu. 17. 37.
[m] Ep. 5. 29, 30. Re. 19. 7. 21. 2, 9.
[n] ch. 13. 47. 22. 10.
[o] Is. 13. 10. Eze. 32. 7. Ac. 2. 20. Re. 6. 12.

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3 They that *were* foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

5 While the bridegroom tarried, [a] they all slumbered and slept.

6 And at midnight [b] there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

7 Then all those virgins arose, and [d] trimmed their lamps.

8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are [e] gone out.

9 But the wise answered, saying, *Not so;* lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and [i] the door was shut.

11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, [k] Lord, Lord, open to us.

12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, [m] I know you not.

13 Watch [n] therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

14 ¶ For [o] *the kingdom of heaven is* [p] as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

15 And unto one he gave five [†] talents, to another two, and to another one; [s] to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

16 Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made *them* other five talents.

17 And likewise he that *had received* two, he also gained other two.

18 But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19 After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, [u] I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into [x] the joy of thy lord.

22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, *there* thou hast *that is* thine.

26 His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou* wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27 Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him which hath ten talents.

29 For [b] unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant [c] into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

31 ¶ When [f] the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

32 And [g] before him shall be gathered all nations: and [h] he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:

33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, [l] inherit the kingdom [m] prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35 For [p] I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: [r] I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

36 Naked, [s] and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: [t] I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed *thee?* or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink?

38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee?*

39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, [y] Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, [z] Depart from me, ye cursed, [a] into everlasting fire, prepared for [b] the devil and his angels:

42 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, [c] Inasmuch as ye did *it* not to one of the least of these, ye did *it* not to me.

46 And [d] these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

CHAP. XXVI.

AND it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples,

2 Ye [e] know that after two days is *the feast of* the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.

3 Then [h] assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,

A. D. 33.

[a] 1 Th. 5. 6.
[b] ch. 13. 12. Mar. 4. 25. Lu. 8. 18. 19. 26. Jno. 15. 2.
[c] 1 Th. 4. 16.
[d] Lu. 12. 35.
[e] ch. 8. 12. 24. 51.
[f] ch. 16. 27. 19. 28. Zec. 14. 5. Mar. 8. 38. Ac. 1. 11. 2 Th. 1. 7. Jude 14. Re. 1. 7.
[g] or, *going out.*
[h] Ro. 14. 10. 2 Co. 5. 10. Re. 20. 12.
[i] ch. 13. 49. Eze. 20. 38. 34.17,20.
[k] Lu. 13. 25.
[l] ch. 7. 21. 23.
[m] Ro. 8. 17. 1 Pe. 1. 4, 9. 3. 9. Re. 21. 7.
[n] ch. 20. 23. 1 Co. 2. 9. He. 11. 16.
[o] Pe. 5. 5. Hab. 1. 13. Jno. 9. 31.
[p] Mar. 13.33, 35. Lu. 21. 36. 1 Co. 16.13. 1 Pe. 5. 8. Re. 16. 15.
[q] Is. 26. 7. Eze. 18. 7. Ja. 1. 27.
[r] He. 13. 2. 3 Jno. 5.
[s] Lu. 19. 12.
[t] ch. 21. 33.
[u] Ja. 2. 15,16.
[x] 2 Ti. 1. 16.
† A talent is 187*l.* 10*s.*
[y] ch. 18. 24.
[z] Ro. 12. 6. 1 Co. 12. 7, 11,29. Ep. 4. 11.
[a] ch. 10. 42. Pr. 14. 31. 19. 17. Mar. 9. 41. He. 6. 10.
[b] ch. 7. 19. Ps. 9. 17. Lu. 13. 27.
[c] ch. 13. 40, 42.
[d] 2 Pe. 2. 4. Jude 6.
[e] Lu. 19. 44. 22 39,30.
[f] He. 12. 2. 2 Ti. 2. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 8.
[g] Pr. 14. 31. 17. 5. Zec. 2. 8. Ac. 9. 5.
[h] Da. 12. 2. Jno. 5. 29. Ro. 2 7,&c.
[i] Mar. 14. 1. Lu. 22. 1. Jno. 13. 1.
[k] Ps. 2. 2. Ac. 4. 25,&c.

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4 And consulted that they might take
Jesus by subtilty, and kill *him*.
5 But they said, Not on the feast *day*,
lest there be an uproar among the people.
6 ¶ Now [e] when Jesus was in [d] Beth-
any, in the house of Simon the leper,
7 There came unto him a woman having
an alabaster box of very precious oint-
ment, and poured it on his head, as he sat
at meat.
8 But [f] when his disciples saw *it*, they
had indignation, saying, To what purpose
is this waste?
9 For this ointment might have been
sold for much, and given to the poor.
10 When Jesus understood *it*, he said
unto them, Why trouble ye the woman?
for she hath wrought a good work upon me.
11 For [h] ye have the poor always with
you; but [i] me ye have not always.
12 For in that she hath poured this oint-
ment on my body, she did *it* for my burial.
13 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever
this gospel shall be preached in the whole
world, *there* shall also this, that this woman
hath done, be told for a memorial of her.
14 ¶ Then [m] one of the twelve, called
[n] Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief
priests,
15 And said *unto them*, [o] What will ye
give me, and I will deliver him unto you?
And they covenanted with him for thirty
pieces of silver.
16 And from that time he sought oppor-
tunity to betray him.
17 ¶ Now [m] the first *day* of the *feast of*
unleavened bread the disciples came to
Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou
that we prepare for thee to eat the pass-
over?
18 And he said, Go into the city to such
a man, and say unto him, The Master
saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the
passover at thy house with my disciples.
19 And the disciples did as Jesus had
appointed them; and they made ready the
passover.
20 Now [p] when the even was come, he
sat down with the twelve.
21 And as they did eat, he said, Verily
I say unto you, that one of you shall be-
tray me.
22 And they were exceeding sorrowful,
and began every one of them *to* say unto
him, Lord, is it I?
23 And he answered and said, [q] He that
dippeth *his* hand with me in the dish, the
same shall betray me.
24 The Son of man goeth [h] as it is writ-
ten of him: but [r] woe unto that man by
whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had
been good for that man if he had not been
born.
25 Then Judas, which betrayed him,
answered and said, Master, is it I? He
said unto him, Thou hast said.
26 ¶ And [e] as they were eating, [f] Jesus
took bread, and † blessed *it*, and brake *it*,
and gave *it* to the disciples, and said, Take,
eat; [t] this is my body.
27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks,
and gave *it* to them, saying, [i] Drink ye
all of it;
28 For [k] this is my blood [l] of the new
testament, which is shed [m] for many for
the remission of sins.
29 But I say unto you, I will not drink
henceforth of this fruit of the vine, [u] until
that day when I drink it new with you in
my Father's kingdom.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mar. 14. 26.
[o] or, psalms.
[b] ch. 11. 6.
[c] Mar. 14. 3. Jno. 11. 1, 2. 12. 3.
[d] ch. 21. 17.
[e] Zec. 13. 7.
[f] ch. 26. 7, 10, 16. Mar. 16. 7.
[g] Jno. 12. 4.
[h] De. 15. 11. Jno. 12. 8.
[i] ch. 18. 20. 28. 20. Jno. 12. 23. 14. 19. 16. 5, 28. 17. 11.
[k] ch. 4. 21.
[l] Jno. 12. 27.
[m] Mar. 14. 12. Lu. 22. 7.
[n] Mar. 14. 33. Lu. 22. 40, 46. Ep. 6. 18.
[o] Ro. 7. 18., 25. 1 Co. 9. 27. Ga. 5. 16, 17, 24. Phl. 3. 12. 14.
[p] Jno. 13. 21.
[q] Ps. 41. 9.
[r] Mar. 14. 43. Lu. 22. 47. Jno. 18. 3. Ac. 1. 16.
[s] Ps. XXII. Is. LIII. Da. 9. 26. Mar. 9. 12. Ac. 17. 2, 3. 26. 22, 23. 1 Co. 15. 3. Jno. 17. 12.
[t] 2 Sa. 20. 9.
[u] Mar. 14. 22. Lu. 22. 19. 1 Co. 11. 23., 25.
[v] Ps. 41. 9. 55. 13.

† Many Greek copies have, *gave thanks*.

[w] Mar. 14. 41.
[x] 1 Co. 10. 16.
[y] Mar. 14. 23.
[z] Ex. 24. 8. Le. 17. 11.
[a] Je. 31. 31.
[b] ch. 20. 28. Ro. 5. 15. He. 9. 22.
[c] Ge. 9. 6. Re. 13. 10.
[d] Ac. 10. 41.
[e] 2 Ki. 6. 17. Da. 7. 10.

30 And [d] when they had sung an [o] hymn,
they went out into the mount of Olives.
31 Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye
shall [v] be offended because of me this night:
for it is written, [s] I will smite the shepherd,
and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered
abroad.
32 But after I am risen again, [f] I will
go before you into Galilee.
33 Peter answered and said unto him,
Though all *men* shall be offended because
of thee, *yet* will I never be offended.
34 Jesus said unto him, Verily I say
unto thee, That this night, before the cock
crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.
35 Peter said unto him, Though I should
die with thee, yet will I not deny thee.
Likewise also said all the disciples.
36 ¶ Then cometh Jesus with them unto
a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto
the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and
pray yonder.
37 And he took with him Peter and [h] the
two sons of Zebedee, and began to be
sorrowful and very heavy.
38 Then saith he unto them, [i] My soul
is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death:
tarry ye here, and watch with me.
39 And he went a little further, and fell
on his face, and [p] prayed, saying, [r] O my
Father, if it be possible, [t] let this cup pass
from me: nevertheless [t] not as I will, but
as thou *wilt*.
40 And he cometh unto the disciples,
and findeth them asleep, and saith unto
Peter, What, could ye not watch with me
one hour?
41 Watch [o] and pray, that ye enter not
into temptation: [o] the spirit indeed *is*
willing, but the flesh *is* weak.
42 He went away again the second time,
and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this
cup may not pass away from me, except I
drink it, thy will be done.
43 And he came and found them asleep
again: for their eyes were heavy.
44 And he left them, and went away
again, and prayed the third time, saying
the same words.
45 Then cometh he to his disciples, and
saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take
your rest: behold, the hour is at hand,
and the Son of man is betrayed into the
hands of sinners.
46 Rise, let us be going: behold, he is
at hand that doth betray me.
47 ¶ And [e] while he yet spake, lo, Judas,
one of the twelve, came, and with him a
great multitude with swords and staves,
from the chief priests and elders of the
people.
48 Now he that betrayed him gave them
a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss,
that same is he: hold him fast.
49 And forthwith he came to Jesus, and
said, Hail, master; [d] and kissed him.
50 And Jesus said unto him, [t] Friend,
wherefore art thou come? Then came they,
and laid hands on Jesus, and took him.
51 And, behold, one of them which were
with Jesus stretched out *his* hand, and
drew his sword, and struck a servant of
the high priest's, and smote off his ear.
52 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up
again thy sword into his place: [o] for all
they that take the sword shall perish with
the sword.
53 Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray
to my Father, and he shall presently give
me [p] more than twelve legions of angels?

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54 But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, [b] that thus it must be?

55 In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me.

56 But all this was done, that the [c] scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then [d] all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

57 ¶ And [e] they that had laid hold on Jesus led *him* away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.

58 But Peter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.

59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death;

60 But found none: yea, though [f] many false witnesses came, *yet* found they none. At the last came [m] two false witnesses,

61 And said, This *fellow* said, [n] I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.

62 And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?

63 But [p] Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, [r] I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, [s] Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man [t] sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

65 Then [u] the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

66 What think ye? They answered and said, [p] He is guilty of death.

67 Then [x] did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and [y] others smote *him* with [†] the palms of their hands,

68 Saying, Prophesy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?

69 ¶ Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee.

70 But he denied before *them* all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.

71 And when he was gone out into the porch, another *maid* saw him, and said unto them that were there, This *fellow* was also with Jesus of Nazareth.

72 And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man.

73 And after a while came unto *him* they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also art *one* of them; for thy [z] speech bewrayeth thee.

74 Then [a] began he to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew.

75 And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, [b] Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

CHAP. XXVII.

WHEN the morning was come, [c] all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death:

2 And when they had [m] bound him, they led *him* away, and [d] delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.

3 ¶ Then [e] Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, [f] repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

4 Saying, [g] I have sinned in that I have betrayed the [h] innocent blood. And they said, What *is that* to us? see thou *to that*.

5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, [i] and departed, and went and hanged himself.

6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.

8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, [k] And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, [l] whom they of the children of Israel did value;

10 And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.

11 And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, [s] Thou sayest.

12 And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, [t] he answered nothing.

13 Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?

14 And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.

15 Now at *that* feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.

16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.

17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

18 For he knew that for [u] envy they had delivered him.

19 ¶ When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that [x] just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

20 But [y] the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.

21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.

22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? *They* all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

23 And the governor said, [z] Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

24 ¶ When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, [a] he took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye *to it*.

25 Then answered all the people, and said, [b] His blood *be* on us, and on our children.

26 ¶ Then released he Barabbas unto

A. D. 33.

[a] ch. 20. 19. Ac. 3. 13.
[b] Is. 53. 7, &c.
[c] ch. 26. 14, 15. Job 20. 5, 15, 29.
[d] 2 Co. 7. 10.
[e] Lu. 4. 20.
[f] Ex. 9. 27. 1 Sa. 15. 24, 30. Ro. 3. 19.
[g] Ac. 13. 28. He. 7. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 19. 3. 22.
[h] Jno. 18. 15.
[i] Mar. 14. 53, &c. Lu. 22. 54, &c. Jno. 18. 12, &c.
[k] 2 Sa. 17. 23. Ac. 1. 18, 19.
[l] Ps. 27. 12. 35. 11. Ac. 6. 13.
[m] De. 19. 15.
[n] ch. 27. 40. Jno. 2. 19.
[o] Zec. 11. 12, 13.
[o] or, *whom they bought of the children of Israel.*
[p] ch. 27. 12, 14.
[r] Le. 5. 1. 1 Sa. 14. 24, 28.
[s] 1 Ti. 6. 13.
[t] ch. 26. 63. Jno. 19. 9, &c.
[u] Da. 7. 13. Jno. 1. 51. Ro. 14. 10. 1 Th. 4. 16. Re. 1. 7.
[x] Ps. 110. 1. Ac. 7. 55.
[y] 2 Ki. 18. 37. 19. 1.
[z] Le. 24. 16.
[a] Is. 50. 6. 53. 3.
[b] Jno. 19. 3.
[†] or, *rods.*
[b] Pr. 27. 4. Is. 26. 11.
[c] Zec. 9. 9. 1 Jno. 2. 1.
[d] Ac. 3. 14.
[e] Lu. 23. 50.
[f] Je. 17. 9. Mar. 14. 71.
[g] Je. 26. 15.
[h] Jno. 13. 38.
[i] De. 21. 6.
[k] Ps. 2. 2. Mar. 15. 1, &c. Lu. 22. 66, &c. Jno. 18. 28, &c.
[l] De. 19. 10. Jos. 2. 19. 1 Ki. 2. 32. 2 Sa. 1. 16. Ac. 5. 28.
[m] Ge. 22. 9. Ac. 9. 2. 28. 20. 2 Ti. 2. 9.

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them: and when [a] he had scourged Jesus, he delivered *him* to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the [b] common hall, and gathered unto him the whole [c] band *of soldiers*.

28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.

29 ¶ And [d] when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, king of the Jews!

30 And [e] they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.

31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, [f] and led him away to crucify *him*.

32 And [g] as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

34 ¶ They [h] gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted *thereof*, he would not drink.

35 And [i] they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, [j] They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

36 And [k] sitting down they watched him there;

37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

38 Then [l] were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

39 ¶ And [m] they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40 And saying, [n] Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days, save thyself. [o] If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking *him*, with the scribes and elders, said,

42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the [p] King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.

43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

44 The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

45 Now [q] from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.

46 And about the ninth hour [r] Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, [s] My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard *that*, said, This *man* calleth for Elias.

48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled *it* with vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and gave him to drink.

49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

50 ¶ Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, [t] yielded up the ghost.

51 And, behold, [u] the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

52 And the graves were opened; [v] and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into [w] the holy city, and appeared unto many.

54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, [x] Truly this was the Son of God.

55 And many women were there beholding afar off, [y] which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:

56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

57 When the even was come, there came a rich man of [z] Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

58 He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

59 And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

60 And [a] laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.

61 And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

62 ¶ Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, [b] the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate,

63 Saying, Sir, we remember that [c] that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, [d] After three days I will rise again.

64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, [e] make *it* as sure as ye can.

66 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, [f] sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

CHAP. XXVIII.

IN the [g] end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, came Mary Magdalene [h] and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

2 And, behold, there [i] was a great earthquake: for [j] the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

3 His [k] countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead *men*.

5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

6 He is not here: for he is risen, [l] as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, [m] he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

8 And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

A. D. 33.

[a] Is. 53. 5. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[b] Is. 36. 19. Ho. 13. 14. Jno. 5. 25.. 29. 1 Co. 15. 20.
[c] or, *governor's house.*
[d] Ac. 10. 1.
[e] Nu. 12. 14. Is. 50. 6. Mi. 5. 1.
[f] Lu. 9. 2, 3.
[g] Ro. 1. 4.
[h] Is. 53. 7. Job 30. 10.
[i] Lu. 23. 33. Jno. 19. 18.
[j] Da. 9. 24. Re. 11. 2. 21. 2.
[k] Ps. 35. 15, 16. 69. 19.
[l] Is. 49. 7. He. 12. 2, 3.
[m] Ro. 1. 4.
[n] Is. 50. 6. Job 30. 10. Mi. 5. 1.
[o] Lu. 9. 2, 3.
[p] Nu. 15. 35. 1 Ki. 21. 13. Ac. 7. 58. He. 13. 12.
[q] 1 Sa. 1. 1.
[r] ver. 48.
[s] Is. 53. 9.
[t] Mar. 15. 24, &c. Lu. 23. 34, &c. Jno. 19. 24, &c.
[u] Ps. 22. 18.
[v] ver. 54.
[w] Ps. 2. 1..3. Ac. 4. 27, 28.
[x] 1 Co. 4. 13. 2 Co. 6. 10.
[y] ch. 17. 33. 20. 19. Mar. 8. 31. 10. 34. Lu. 9. 22. 18. 33. 24. 6, 7. Jno. 2. 19.
[z] Is. 53. 12.
[a] Ps. 22. 7, 8. 109. 25.
[b] Jno. 2. 19.
[c] ch. 26. 61.
[d] Ps. 76. 10. Pr. 21. 30. Is. 8. 9, 10. Ac. 5. 39.
[e] Da. 6. 17.
[f] Jno. 1. 49.
[g] Mar. 16. 1, &c. Lu. 24. 1, &c. Jno. 20. 1, &c.
[h] ch. 27. 56.
† or, *had been.*
[i] He. 1. 14.
[j] Am. 8. 9. Re. 8. 12.
[k] Ps. 104. 4. Da. 10. 6.
[l] He. 5. 7.
[m] Ps. 22. 1. 71. 11.
[n] ch. 16. 21. 26. 32. 1 Co. 15. 4, 6
[o] He. 2. 14. 9. 14.
[p] Ex. 26. 31. ‖ Ch. 3. 14. Ep. 2. 13, 18. He. 6. 19. 10. 19, 22

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9 ¶ And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, [a] Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.

10 Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell [b] my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

11 ¶ Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him *away* while we slept.

14 And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

A. D. 33.

[a] Is. 64. 5. Mar. 16. 9.
[b] Ro. 8. 29. He. 2. 11.
[c] Da. 7. 13, 14. Jno. 17. 2. 1 Co. 15. 27. Ep. 1. 10, 21. Phi. 2. 9, 10. He. 1. 2. 2. 8. Re. 17. 14.
[d] or, *make disciples*, or, *Christians of all nations.*
[e] Ac. 2. 38, 39. Ro. 10. 18.
[f] Ge. 28. 15.

15 So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

16 ¶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, [c] All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19 ¶ Go ye therefore, and [d] teach [e] all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, [f] I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

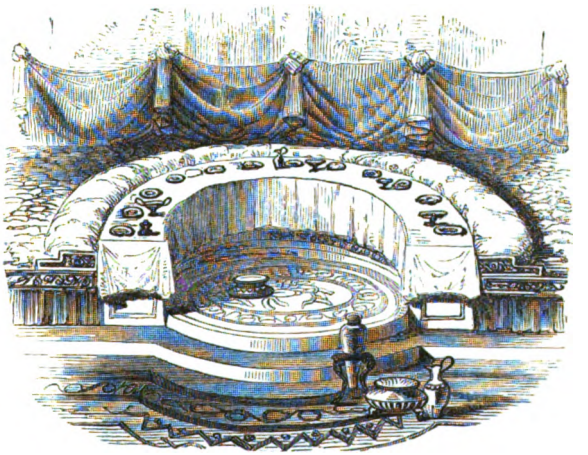
CH. II. 1.—**BETHLEHEM.** Bethlehem, the birth-place of Christ, is about six miles south of Jerusalem. Its name signifies 'the house of bread,' perhaps from the prolific valleys and fields around it. It is situated on the brow of a steep hill, in the midst of hills and vales, and is of no great extent, containing only about 300 houses. It was also called Bethlehem-Ephratah, a word supposed to signify fertility, Gen. xxxv. 19; Ruth iv. 11; Ps. cxxxii. 6. It was designated as Bethlehem of Judea, to distinguish it from a town of the same name in Galilee, Josh. xix. 15. And it was known by the name of the city of David (Luke ii. 4), because it was the city of his nativity (1 Sam. xvi. 1, 18.) The present inhabitants of Bethlehem are all Christians; and are rated at 600 taxable men, indicating a population of more than 3000 souls. There was formerly a Mohammedan quarter, but after the rebellion in 1834, this was destroyed by order of Ibrahim Pacha. The town has gates at the entrance of some of the streets: the houses are solidly built, but not large. The plantations around are olive, fig orchards, and vineyards. It is believed that no doubt has ever been thrown upon the fact that the present Bethlehem stands on the same site as the ancient city. Its distance corresponds to the six Roman miles of antiquity. Tradition, moreover, has never lost sight of Bethlehem; and in almost every century, since the times of the New Testament, it has been visited and mentioned by writers and travellers. 'The cave of the nativity,' says Robinson, 'has been pointed out as the place where Jesus was born, by a tradition which reaches back at least to the middle of the second century.' But the circumstance of the Saviour's being born in a cave would certainly have not been less remarkable than his having been laid in a manger; and it is natural to suppose that the sacred writer would not have passed it over in silence, as the evangelist Luke does, who simply relates that the virgin brought forth her first-born son, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. 'The grotto, moreover, was and is at some distance from the town; and although there may be still occasional instances in Judea where a cavern is occupied as a stable, yet this is not now, and never was, the usual practice, especially in towns and their environs. Taking into account all these circumstances, and also the early and general tendency to invent and propagate legends of a similar character, and the prevailing custom of representing the gospel history as having taken place in grottoes, it would hardly seem consistent with a love of simple historic truth to attach much credit to this tradition.' A superstitious writer, who has published a small work on Palestine, under the direction of the Society for promoting Christian knowledge, informs us, that upon entering this grotto, he sank instinctively upon his knees: so do all the popish devotees, and the priests thus profit by their credulity. Herschell, with more judgment, observes, 'It is certainly possible that this cave may have been a place for cattle, belonging to an ancient khan or inn; but it is equally so that it was fixed upon, in the days of Helena, as the most convenient spot to which they could attach the tradition, without any sufficient warrant for doing so. As the sepulchre of Moses was hidden from the Israelites, so it may be better for us that an air of uncertainty hangs over the precise spots connected both with the birth and the death of Christ; that we may be kept from the worship of the visible, and from attaching peculiar sanctity to anything material, which has a necessary tendency to weaken our faith in the universal presence of Christ with his members.' Robinson's feelings on entering Bethlehem itself were natural, and his expressions of his emotions and impressions are beautiful. 'Bethlehem is celebrated in the Old Testament as the birth-place and city of David; and in the New, as that of David's greater Son, the Christ, the Saviour of the world. What a mighty influence for good has gone forth from this little spot upon the human race, both for time and for eternity! It is impossible to approach the place without a feeling of deep emotion, springing out of those high and holy associations. The legends and puerilities of monastic tradition may safely be disregarded: it is enough to know that this is Bethlehem, where Jesus the Redeemer was born. Generation after generation has, indeed, since that time, passed away, and their places now know them no more. For eighteen hundred seasons the earth has now renewed her carpet of verdure, and seen it again decay. Yet the skies and the fields, the rocks and the hills, and the valleys around, remain unchanged, and are still the same as when the glory of the Lord shone round about the shepherds, and the song of a multitude of the heavenly host resounded among the hills, proclaiming, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."'

CH. XXVI. 20.—**ANCIENT TABLE.** The Hebrews anciently sat at table (Gen. xxvii. 19, xliii. 33), but afterwards imitated the Persians and Chaldeans, who reclined on table-beds while eating. Some of these tables formed an oblong, with an opening to admit the servants in attendance on the guests. There were two side tables, and one cross table at the top, all being joined together. They had couches or beds placed close behind, instead of benches or chairs; and on these they reclined, leaning on the left elbow, and leaving the right hand and arm free. The passage above named is rendered "sat down," but rather signifies 'reclined.' In circular or crescent-formed tables, of which we have given a specimen, the right extremity was the first place of honour, and the left extremity the second place of honour. With regard to the paschal supper to which the text alludes, the Israelites were at first commanded to eat it standing, with staves in their hands, like persons setting out on a journey. The custom of taking it reclining was justified by the Rabbins, as emblematical of having taken their rest in the land of Canaan.

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BETHLEHEM.—*Original Drawing.*—Mat. ii. 1.



ANCIENT TABLE.—*Bardon.*—Mat. xxvi. 20.

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The Gospel according to S. MARK.

Written more especially for Gentile converts, about A. D. 63.

CHAP. I.

THE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, [a] the Son of God;

2 As it is written in the prophets, [b] Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

3 The [c] voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

4 John [d] did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance [e] for the remission of sins.

5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judæa, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat [h] locusts and wild honey;

7 And preached, saying, [i] There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.

8 I [k] indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you [l] with the Holy Ghost.

9 And [m] it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.

10 And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens † opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him:

11 And there came a voice from heaven, *saying*, [n] Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

12 And [p] immediately the spirit driveth him into the wilderness.

13 And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him.

14 Now [r] after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,

15 And saying, [s] The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

16 Now [t] as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

17 And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.

18 And straightway [v] they forsook their nets, and followed him.

19 And when he had gone a little farther thence, he saw James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets.

20 And straightway he called them: and they [x] left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him.

21 And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught.

22 And [h] they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

23 And [j] there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out,

24 Saying, Let *us* alone; [k] what have we

A. D. 26.

[a] Lu. 1. 35.
[b] Ps. 16. 10. 89 18,19
Da. 9. 24.
Re. 3. 7.
[c] Mal. 3. 1.
Mat. 11. 10.
Lu. 7. 27.
[d] ch. 9. 20.
[e] Is. 40. 3.
[f] Mat. 3. 1, &c.
Lu. 3. 3, &c.
Jno. 3. 23.
[g] or, *unto*.
[h] Mat. 8. 14.
[i] Lu. 11. 22.
[k] Jno. 1. 27.
Ac. 13. 25.
[l] Ac. 1. 5.
11. 16.
[l] Is. 44. 3.
Joel 2. 28.
Ac. 2. 4.
10. 45.
11. 15, 16.
1 Co. 12. 13.
[m] Mat. 3. 13.
Lu. 3. 21.
† or, *cloven*, or, *rent*.
[n] ch. 9. 7.
Ps. 2. 7.
Mat. 3. 17.
[p] ch. 3. 12.
Lu. 4. 41.
Ac. 16. 17, 18.
‡ or, *to say that they knew him*.
[r] Mat. 4. 1, &c.
Lu. 4. 1, &c.
[s] Ps. 5. 3.
Ec. 8. 12.
Phi. 2. 5
He. 5. 7.
[t] Mat. 4. 12.
[v] Is. 53. 11.
Jno. 11. 48.
12. 19.
[x] Da. 9. 25.
Ga. 4. 4.
Ep. 1. 10.
[h] Is. 61. 1.
Jno. 16. 28.
17. 4.
[j] Mat. 4. 23.
[k] Mat. 4. 13.
Lu. 5. 4.
[l] Mat. 8. 2.
Lu. 5. 12.
[m] Ge. 18. 14.
2 Ki. 5. 7.
[n] He. 2. 17.
[o] Mat. 19. 27.
Lu. 5. 11.
Phi. 3. 8.
[p] Ge. 1. 3.
Ps. 33. 9.
[q] De. 33. 9.
[r] Le. 14. 3, 4, 10.
[s] Ps. 34. 3, 8.
77. 11.
[h] Mat. 7. 28.
2 Co. 4. 2.
He. 4. 12, 13.
[t] ch. 2. 13.
[j] Lu. 4. 33.
[z] Mat. 8. 29.
Ja. 2. 19.
[l] Mat. 9. 1, &c
Lu. 5. 18, &c

to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, [l] the Holy One of God.

25 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him.

26 And when the unclean spirit [m] had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him.

27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine *is* this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.

28 And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.

29 And [n] forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

30 But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her.

31 And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.

32 And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.

33 And all the city was gathered together at the door.

34 And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and [o] suffered not the devils ‡ to speak, because they knew him.

35 And [r] in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.

36 And Simon and they that were with him followed after him.

37 And when they had found him, they said unto him, [s] All *men* seek for thee.

38 And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for [t] therefore came I forth.

39 And [v] he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils.

40 And [x] there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, [y] If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

41 And Jesus, [z] moved with compassion, put forth *his* hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, [a] I will; be thou clean.

42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.

43 And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away;

44 And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things [b] which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

45 But he went out, and [c] began to publish *it* much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: [d] and they came to him from every quarter.

CHAP. II.

AND again [e] he entered into Capernaum

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after *some* days; and it was noised that he was in the house.

2 And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive *them*, no, not so much as about the door: [b] and he preached the word unto them.

3 And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.

4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken *it* up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.

5 When Jesus saw [c] their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

6 But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, [d] and reasoning in their hearts,

7 Why doth this *man* thus speak blasphemies? [e] who can forgive sins but God only?

8 And immediately [f] when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why [f] reason ye these things in your hearts?

9 Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?

10 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,)

11 I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.

12 And [g] immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.

13 And [h] he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted unto him, and he taught them.

14 And [i] as he passed by, he saw Levi the *son* of Alphæus sitting [k] at the receipt of custom, and said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him.

15 And it came to pass, that, as Jesus sat at meat in his house, many publicans and sinners sat also together with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him.

16 And when the scribes and Pharisees saw him eat with publicans and sinners, they said unto his disciples, How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?

17 When Jesus heard *it*, he saith unto them, [l] They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: [m] I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

18 And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to fast: and they come and say unto him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast, but thy disciples fast not?

19 And Jesus said unto them, [n] Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast.

20 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

21 No man also [o] seweth a piece of ‖ new cloth on an old garment: [p] else the new piece that filled it up taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse.

22 And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: else the new wine doth burst,

A. D. 31.

[a] Mat. 12. 1. Lu. 6. 1.
[b] Ps. 40. 9. Ac. 8. 25. Ro. 10. 8. 2 Ti. 4. 2.
[c] De. 33. 25.
[d] 1 Sa. 21. 6.
[e] Ge. 22. 12. Ac. 11. 23. 14. 9. Ep. 2. 8. Ja. 2. 18. 22.
[f] Ex. 29. 32, 33. Le. 24. 9.
[g] 2 Co. 10. 5.
[h] Job 11. 4. Is. 43. 25. Da. 9. 9. Mi. 7. 18.
[i] 1 Ch. 28. 9. Ps. 139. 2. Ho. 4. 13. Re. 2. 23.
[k] Ep. 2. 22. Re. 1. 10.
[l] Pr. 15. 26. 24. 9. Is. 55. 7.
[m] Mat. 12. 9, &c. Lu. 6. 6, &c.
[n] *drive*, stand forth *in the midst*
[o] Lu. 13. 14. 14. 3. Jno. 9. 16.
[p] Ja. 5. 15.
[q] Mat. 9. 9, &c.
† or, *blindness.*
[r] Lu. 5. 27, &c.
‡ or, *at the place where the custom was received.*
[s] Mat. 27. 1. Jno. 5. 18. 10. 39. 11. 53.
[t] Mat. 22. 16.
[u] Lu. 6. 17.
[v] Mat. 18. 11. Lu. 19. 10. 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[w] Ro. 5. 6. 1 Co. 6. 9. 11. Tit. 2. 14. 3. 3. 7.
§ or, *rushed.*
[x] Nu. 11. 33. He. 12. 6.
[a] ch. 1. 23, 34. Lu. 4. 41.
[c] ch. 1. 1. Mat. 14. 33.
[b] ch. 1. 25, 34. Mat. 12. 16.
[c] Jno. 3. 29.
[d] Mat. 10. 1. Lu. 6. 13. 9. 1.
[e] Jno. 15. 16. Ac. 1. 24, 25. Ga. 1. 1.
‖ or, *raw*, or, *unwrought*
[f] Jno. 16. 12 1 Co. 3. 1, 2
[g] Jno. 1. 42.
[h] 1 Co. 14. 8

the bottles, and the wine is spilled, and the bottles will be marred: but new wine must be put into new bottles.

23 And [o] it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began, as they went, [r] to pluck the ears of corn.

24 And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?

25 And he said unto them, Have ye never read [s] what David did, when he had need, and was an hungred, he, and they that were with him?

26 How he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and did eat the shewbread, [t] which is not lawful to eat but for the priests, and gave also to them which were with him?

27 And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

28 Therefore [u] the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

CHAP. III.

AND [a] he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand.

2 And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him.

3 And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand, [b] Stand forth.

4 And he saith unto them, [c] Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.

5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the † hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched *it* out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

6 And [d] the Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with [e] the Herodians against him, how they might destroy him.

7 But Jesus withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed him, [f] and from Judæa,

8 And from Jerusalem, and from Idumæa, and *from* beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they had heard what great things he did, came unto him.

9 And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him.

10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they § pressed upon him for to touch him, [g] as many as had plagues.

11 And [h] unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, [i] Thou art the Son of God.

12 And [k] he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.

13 And [l] he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth *unto him* whom he would: and they came unto him.

14 And he [m] ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach,

15 And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:

16 And Simon [n] he surnamed Peter;

17 And James the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James; and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is, [o] The sons of thunder:

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18 And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the *son* of Alphæus, and Thaddæus, and Simon the Canaanite,

19 And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him: and they went [a] into an house.

20 And the multitude cometh together again, [b] so that they could not so much as eat bread.

21 And when his [†] friends heard *of it*, they went out to lay hold on him: [d] for they said, He is beside himself.

22 ¶ And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, [f] He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.

23 And [g] he called them *unto him*, and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan?

24 And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

25 And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

26 And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.

27 No [i] man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.

28 Verily I say unto you, [l] All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme:

29 But [m] he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath [n] never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation:

30 Because they said, He hath an unclean spirit.

31 ¶ [o] There [p] came then his brethren and his mother, and, standing without, sent unto him, calling him.

32 And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren without seek for thee.

33 And he answered them, saying, [q] Who is my mother, or my brethren?

34 And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and said, [r] Behold my mother and my brethren!

35 For whosoever shall do the will of God, [s] the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

CHAP. IV.

AND [a] he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land.

2 And he taught them many things [e] by parables, [d] and said unto them in his doctrine,

3 Hearken; Behold, [f] there went out a sower to sow:

4 And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up.

5 And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth:

6 But when [g] the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had [i] no root, it withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit.

8 And other fell on good ground, [l] and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.

9 And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

10 And [d] when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the parable.

11 And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto [e] them that are without, all *these* things are done in parables:

12 That [e] seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and *their* sins should be forgiven them.

13 And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?

14 ¶ The [a] sower soweth the word.

15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

16 And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;

17 And [h] have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.

18 And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word,

19 And the cares of this world, [e] and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.

20 And these are they [r] which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive *it*, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

21 ¶ And [t] he said unto them, Is a candle brought to be put under a ‡ bushel, or under a bed? and not to be set on a candlestick?

22 For [u] there is nothing hid, which shall not be manifested; neither was any thing kept secret, but that it should come abroad.

23 If [v] any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

24 And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: [d] with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.

25 For [b] he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath.

26 ¶ And he said, [c] So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground;

27 And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how.

28 For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

29 But when the fruit is § brought forth, immediately [k] he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.

30 ¶ And he said, [k] Whereunto shall we liken the kingdom of God? or with what comparison shall we compare it?

31 *It is* like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than all the seeds that be in the earth:

A. D. 31.

[a] Mat. 13. 10, &c. Lu. 8. 9, &c.
[e] or, *home*.
[b] ch. 6. 31.
[†] or, *kinsmen*.
[c] 1 Co. 5. 12. Col. 4. 5. 1 Th. 4. 12. 1 Ti. 3. 7.
[d] Jno. 7. 5. 10. 30.
[e] Is. 6. 9. Jno. 12. 40. Ac. 28. 26. Ro. 11. 8.
[f] Mat. 9. 34. 10. 25. Lu. 11. 15. Jno. 7. 20. 8. 48, 52. 10. 22.
[g] Mat. 12. 25.
[h] Mat. 13. 19, &c.
[i] Is. 49. 24. Mat. 12. 29.
[k] Job 19. 28. Ps. 12. 3. Ga. 5. 6. Ep. 3. 17. 2 Pe. 1. 8.
[l] Lu. 12. 10. 1 Jno. 5. 16.
[m] He. 6. 4..8. 10. 26..31.
1 Jno. 5. 16.
[n] 2 Th. 1. 9. Jude 7, 13.
[o] 1 Ti. 6. 9, 17.
[p] Mat. 12. 46. Lu. 8. 19.
[r] Ro. 7. 4. Ga. 5. 22, 23. Phi. 1. 11.
[s] De. 33. 9. 2 Co. 5. 16.
[t] Lu. 8. 16.
‡ See Mat. 5. 15.
[u] Ro. 8. 29. He. 2. 11, 12.
[v] Mat. 10. 26. Lu. 12. 2.
[x] Ja. 1. 25. 1 Jno. 2. 17.
[y] Mat. 11. 15.
[z] Mat. 13. 1, &c. Lu. 8. 4, &c.
[a] Mat. 7. 2. Lu. 6. 38.
[b] Mat. 13. 12. 25. 29. Lu. 8. 18. 19. 26.
[c] Ps. 49. 4. 78. 2.
[d] ch. 12. 38.
[e] Mat. 13. 24.
[f] Ec. 11. 6. Is. 28. 23..26. 1 Co. 3. 6..9.
§ or, *ripe*.
[g] Is. 25. 4. Ja. 1. 11. Re. 7. 16.
[h] Re. 14. 15.
[i] Ps. 1. 3, 4. Je. 17. 5..8. Ep. 3. 17. Col. 2. 7.
[k] Ac. 2. 41. 5. 14. 19. 20.
[l] Jno. 15. 5. Col. 1. 6.

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A. D. 31.

32 But when it is sown, it groweth up, and becometh greater than all herbs, and shooteth out great branches; so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it.

33 And [a] with many such parables spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear *it*.

34 But without a parable spake he not unto them: and when they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples.

35 And [d] the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.

36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships.

37 And there arose a great storm of wind, [g] and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, [h] asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, [i] carest thou not that we perish?

39 And he arose, [l] and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

40 And he said unto them, [m] Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?

41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

CHAP. V.

AND [o] they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.

2 And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

3 Who had *his* dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains:

4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any *man* tame him.

5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.

6 But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him,

7 And cried with a loud voice, and said, [s] What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, [n] that thou torment me not.

8 For he said unto him, [p] Come out of the man, *thou* unclean spirit.

9 And he asked him, What *is* thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is [r] Legion: for we are many.

10 And he besought him much that he would not send them away out of the country.

11 Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of [t] swine feeding.

12 And [u] all the devils besought him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.

13 And forthwith [x] Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.

14 And they that fed the swine fled, and told *it* in the city, and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that was done.

15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

16 And [b] they that saw *it* told them how it befell to him that was possessed with the devil, and *also* concerning the swine.

17 And [c] they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts.

18 And when he was come into the ship, [z] he that had been possessed with the devil prayed him that he might be with him.

19 Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, [f] Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee.

20 And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all *men* did marvel.

21 And [e] when Jesus was passed over again by ship unto the other side, much people gathered unto him: and he was nigh unto the sea.

22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,

23 And [a] besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: *I pray thee*, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.

24 And *Jesus* went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

25 And a certain woman, [b] which had an issue of blood twelve years,

26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and [c] touched his garment.

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

29 And [f] straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in *her* body that she was healed of that plague.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that [e] virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?

31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.

33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

34 And he said unto her, Daughter, [g] thy faith hath made thee whole; [h] go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.

35 While [k] he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's *house certain* which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?

36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.

37 And he suffered no man to follow him, [c] save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James.

38 And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.

39 And when he was come in, he saith

[a] Mat. 13. 34. Joh. 16. 12.
[b] Job 12. 11. Ps. 14. 5. 2 Ti. 1. 7.
[c] De. 5. 25. Mat. 8. 34. Ac. 16. 39.
[d] Mat. 8. 18, 23. Lu. 8. 22.
[e] Ps. 116. 12. Lu. 8. 38.
[f] Ps. 66. 16. Is. 38. 9. 20. Joe 4. 38, 23.
[g] Ac. 27. 14, &c. 2 Co. 11. 25, 26.
[h] Joe. 4. 6. He. 2. 17. 4. 15.
[i] Mat. 9 1, &c. Lu. 8. 40, &c.
[l] Ps. 10. 1. 22. 1, 2. Is. 40 27, 28. 49. 14. 16 La. 3. 8. 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[m] Job 38. 11. Ps. 29. 10. 93. 3, 4. 148. 8. Pr. 8. 29.
[n] Ps. 46. 1, 3. Is. 43. 2.
[o] 2 Sa. 12. 15, 16. Ps. 50. 15. 107. 19.
[p] Mat. 8. 28, &c. Lu 8. 26, &c.
[r] Le. 15. 25. Mat. 9. 20.
[s] 2 Ki. 17. 21. Ac. 5. 15. 19. 12.
[t] Ps. 30. 2. 103. 3. 107. 20.
[u] Lu. 6. 19. 8. 46.
[x] Ac. 16. 17. Ja. 2. 19.
[z] 2 Pe. 2. 4. Jude 6.
[a] 1 Joe. 3. 8.
[b] Mat. 12. 45. 26. 53.
[c] ch. 10. 52. Mat. 9 22. Lu. 18. 42. Ac. 14. 9.
[d] Ee. 9. 7.
[e] Lu. 8 49.
[f] De. 14. 8. Is. 65. 4. 66. 3.
[g] 2 Co. 2. 11. 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[h] 1 Ki. 22. 22. Job 1. 12. 2. 6. Ps. 13. 5. 7.
[i] 2 Co. 13. 1.

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unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but [a] sleepeth.

40 And they laughed him to scorn. [b] But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying.

41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, [c] I say unto thee, arise.

42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was *of the age* of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.

43 And [f] he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.

CHAP. VI.

AND [h] he went out from thence, and came into his own country; and his disciples follow him.

2 And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing *him* were astonished, saying, [k] From whence hath this *man* these things? and what wisdom *is* this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?

3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, [m] the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they [n] were offended at him.

4 But Jesus said unto them, [o] A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house.

5 And [p] he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed *them*.

6 And [r] he marvelled because of their unbelief. [s] And he went round about the villages, teaching.

7 ¶ And [t] he called *unto him* the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits;

8 And commanded them that they should take nothing for *their* journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no ‖ money in *their* purse:

9 But [u] *be* shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.

10 And [x] he said unto them, In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from that place.

11 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, [y] shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom ‖ and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

13 And they cast out many devils, [z] and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed *them*.

14 And [a] king Herod heard *of him*; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

15 Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.

16 But [b] when Herod heard *thereof*, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead.

17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.

18 For John had said unto Herod, [c] It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.

19 Therefore Herodias had [d] a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not:

20 For Herod [e] feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

21 And when a convenient day was come, that Herod [f] on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief *estates* of Galilee;

22 And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give *it* thee.

23 And he sware unto her, [i] Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give *it* thee, unto the half of my kingdom.

24 And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Baptist.

25 And she came in [l] straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

26 And the king was exceeding sorry; *yet* for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.

27 And immediately the king sent [m] an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison,

28 And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother.

29 And when his disciples heard *of it*, [n] they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

30 And [o] the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.

31 And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for [p] there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.

32 And [q] they departed into a desert place by ship privately.

33 And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him.

34 And [r] Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and [s] he began to teach them many things.

35 And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a desert place, and now the time *is* far passed:

36 Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat.

37 He answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, [t] Shall we go and buy two hundred [u]pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?

A. D. 31.

[a] Jno. 11. 11. Ac. 20. 10. 1 Th. 5. 10.
[b] Ac. 9. 40.
[c] Lu. 18. 16. 20. 21.
[e] or, *an inward grudge.*
[d] Jno. 11. 43, 44. Ro. 4. 17. Phi 3. 20, 21.
[e] Mat. 21. 6.
[f] or, *kept him*, or, *saved him.*
[f] Mat. 8. 4. 17. 9. Lu. 5. 14.
[g] Ge. 40. 20.
[h] Mat. 13. 54, &c. Lu. 4. 16, &c
[i] Es. 5. 3, 6. 7. 2.
[k] Jno. 6. 42.
[l] Pr. 1. 16. Ro. 3. 15.
[m] Mat. 12. 46. Ga. 1. 19.
[n] Mat. 11. 6.
[o] Jno. 4. 44.
[p] or, *one of his guard.*
[p] ch. 9. 23. Ge. 19. 22. 39. 25.
[r] Is. 59. 16.
[s] Mat. 9. 35. Lu. 13. 22.
[t] ch. 3. 13, 14. Mat. 10. 1. Lu. 9. 1.
[u] 1 Ki. 13. 29, 30. 2 Ch. 34. 16. Ac. 8. 2.
[x] Lu. 9. 10, &c
‖ The word signifieth a *piece of brass money, in value somewhat less than a farthing.* Mat. 10. 9, but here it is taken in general for *money*, Lu. 9. 3.
[y] Ac. 13. 8.
[z] ch. 3. 20.
[a] Mat. 10. 11. Lu. 9. 4. 10. 7, 8.
[a] Mat. 14. 13, &c.
[b] Ac. 13. 51. 18. 6.
[c] Mat. 9. 36. Ro. 15. 2, 3. He. 2. 17. 4. 15.
‖ or.
[d] Lu. 8. 11. 1 Pe. 1. 23.
[e] Ja. 5. 14.
[f] Mat. 14. 1, &c.
[g] Nu. 11. 13, 22. 2 Ki. 4. 43.
[h] Lu. 3. 19.
[i] See Mat. 20. 2.

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38 He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see. And when they knew, they say, [n]Five, and two fishes.

39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

40 And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.

41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, [o]and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave *them* to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

42 And [p]they did all eat, and were filled.

43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

44 And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.

45 And [q] straightway he constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to go to the other side before unto Bethsaida, while he sent away the people.

46 And when he had sent them away, he departed into a mountain to pray.

47 And when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the land.

48 And he saw them [r]toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: and about the fourth watch of the night [s] he cometh unto them, walking upon the sea, and [t] would have passed by them.

49 But when they saw him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, [u] and cried out:

50 For they all saw him, and were troubled. And immediately he talked with them, and saith unto them, [v] Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

51 And he went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered.

52 For [w] they considered not *the miracle* of the loaves: for their [x] heart was hardened.

53 And [y] when they had passed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret, and drew to the shore.

54 And when they were come out of the ship, straightway they knew him,

55 And ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was.

56 And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that [z] they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched [§] him were made whole.

CHAP. VII.

THEN [a] came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem.

2 And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with [b] defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault.

3 For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash *their* hands [†] oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders.

4 And *when they come* from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, *as* the washing of cups, and [‡] pots, brasen vessels, and of [§] tables.

5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?

6 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, [b] This people honoureth me with *their* lips, but their heart is far from me.

7 Howbeit [c]in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.

8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold [d] the tradition of men, *as* the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.

9 And he said unto them, Full well ye [e] reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

10 For Moses said, [f] Honour thy father and thy mother; and, [g] Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:

11 But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, *It is* [h] Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; *he shall be free.*

12 And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;

13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

14 ¶ And [i] when he had called all the people *unto him*, he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one *of you*, and understand:

15 There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.

16 If [k] any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

17 And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.

18 And he saith unto them, [l] Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, [m] cannot defile him;

19 Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

20 And he said, [n] That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.

21 For [o] from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

22 Thefts, ‡ covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

23 All these evil things come from within, [p] and defile the man.

24 ¶ And [q] from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, [r] and would have no man know *it*: but he could not be hid.

25 For a *certain* woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

26 The woman *was a* [s] Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

27 But Jesus said unto her, [t] Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast *it* unto the dogs.

28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

A. D. 32.

[a] Jno. 6. 9.
[b] Is. 29. 13.
[c] 1 Sa. 12. 21. Mal. 3. 14. Tit. 3. 9. Ja. 1. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 18.
[d] 1 Sa. 9. 13. 1 Co. 10. 31. Col. 3. 17.
[e] Col. 2. 22.
[f] De. 5. 3. 2 Ki. 4. 42. — 44. Ps. 145. 15, 16
[g] or, *frustrate.*
[h] Ex. 20. 12. De. 5. 16
[i] Ex. 21. 17. Le. 20. 9. Pr. 20. 20.
[k] Jno. 6. 17.
† or, *over against.*
[l] Mat. 23. 18.
[m] Is. 54. 11. Jon. 1. 13.
[n] Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 3.
[o] Mat. 15. 10, &c.
[p] Ge. 19. 2. Lu. 24. 28.
[q] Ps. 107. 28. — 30.
[r] Is. 43. 2. Jno. 20. 19 — 21.
[s] Mat. 11. 15.
[t] Je. 5. 4, 5. Jno. 3. 10. 1 Co. 3. 2. He. 5. 11.
[u] ch. 8. 17, 18.
[v] ch. 16. 14.
[w] Mat. 14. 34.
[x] Ho. 7. 6. Mi. 2. 1. Ja. 1. 14, 15. 4. 1.
[y] Ge. 6. 5. 8. 21.
‡ *covetousnesses, wickednesses.*
[z] ch. 5. 27, 28. Mat. 9. 20. Ac. 19. 12.
[a] 1 Co. 3. 17. Tit. 1. 15. Jude 8.
§ or, *it.*
[b] Mat. 15. 21, &c.
[c] Is. 42. 2. 1 Ti. 5. 25.
[d] Mat. 15. 1, &c.
‖ or, *common.*
[e] Is. 62. 2. Gal. 3. 28. Col. 3. 11.
† or, *Gentile.*
† or, *diligently:* in the original, *with the fist. Theophylact. up to the elbow.*
[f] Mat. 10. 5. Ro. 15. 8, 9.
‡ Sextarius is about a pint and an half.
§ or, *beds.*
[g] Mat. 10. 5. Ro. 15. 8, 9.
[h] Ex. 20. 12. De. 5. 16
[i] Ex. 21. 17. Le. 20. 9. Pr. 20. 20.
[k] Jno. 6. 17.
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[n] Job 9. 8. Ps. 104. 3.
[o] Mat. 15. 10, &c.
[p] Ge. 19. 2. Lu. 24. 28.
[q] Ps. 107. 28. — 30.
[r] Is. 43. 2. Jno. 20. 19 — 21.
[s] Mat. 11. 15.
[t] Je. 5. 4, 5. Jno. 3. 10. 1 Co. 3. 2. He. 5. 11.
[u] ch. 8. 17, 18.
[v] ch. 16. 14.
[w] Mat. 14. 34.
[x] Ho. 7. 6. Mi. 2. 1. Ja. 1. 14, 15. 4. 1.
[y] Ge. 6. 5. 8. 21.
‡ *covetousnesses, wickednesses.*
[z] ch. 5. 27, 28. Mat. 9. 20. Ac. 19. 12.
[a] 1 Co. 3. 17. Tit. 1. 15. Jude 8.
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[b] Mat. 15. 21, &c.
[c] Is. 42. 2. 1 Ti. 5. 25.
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[f] Mat. 10. 5. Ro. 15. 8, 9.
‡ Sextarius is about a pint and an half.
§ or, *beds.*

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29 And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

31 ¶ And [h] again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis.

32 And [c] they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.

33 And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and [f] he spit, and touched his tongue;

34 And [g] looking up to heaven, [h] he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened.

35 And [i] straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.

36 And [l] he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published *it*;

37 And were beyond measure astonished, saying, [m] He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

CHAP. VIII.

IN those days [p] the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and saith unto them,

2 I [q] have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat:

3 And if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way: for divers of them came from far.

4 And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these *men* with bread here in the wilderness?

5 And [r] he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven.

6 And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves, [s] and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before *them*; and they did set *them* before the people.

7 And they had a few small fishes: and [t] he blessed, and commanded to set them also before *them*.

8 So they did eat, and were filled: [u] and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven baskets.

9 And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away.

10 ¶ And [c] straightway he entered into a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of Dalmanutha.

11 And [f] the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign from heaven, [k] tempting him.

12 And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and saith, Why doth this generation seek after a sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto this generation.

13 And [c] he left them, and entering into the ship again departed to the other side.

14 ¶ Now *the disciples* had forgotten to take bread, neither had they in the ship with them more than one loaf.

15 And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and *of* the leaven of Herod.

16 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have no bread.

17 And when Jesus knew *it*, he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? [x] perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened?

18 Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember?

19 When [d] I brake the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? They say unto him, Twelve.

20 And [e] when the seven among four thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? And they said, Seven.

21 And he said unto them, How is it that [c] ye do not understand?

22 ¶ And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when [m] he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.

24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.

25 After that he put *his* hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, [a] and saw every man clearly.

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, [f] nor tell *it* to any in the town.

27 ¶ And [r] Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Cæsarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am?

28 And they answered, [t] John the Baptist: but some *say*, Elias; and others, One of the prophets.

29 And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answereth and saith unto him, [w] Thou art the Christ.

30 And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.

31 And [g] he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be [g] rejected of the elders, and *of* the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

32 And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him.

33 But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

34 ¶ And when he had called the people *unto him* with his disciples also, he said unto them, [d] Whosoever will come after me, [e] let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

35 For [f] whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.

36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

37 Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

38 Whosoever [h] therefore shall [l] be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, [m] when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

A. D. 32.

[a] ch. 6. 56.
[b] Mat. 15. 29.
[c] Mat. 9. 22. Lu. 11. 14.
[d] ch. 6. 43. Mat. 14. 20. Lu. 9. 17. Jno. 6. 13.
[e] Mat. 15. 37.
[f] ch. 8. 23. Jno. 9. 6.
[g] ch. 6. 41. Jno. 11. 41. 17. 1.
[h] Jno. 11. 33, 38.
[i] ch. 6. 52.
[k] Is. 35. 5, 6. Mat. 11. 5.
[l] ch. 5. 43.
[m] ch. 7. 33.
[n] Ge. 1. 31.
[o] Pr. 4. 18. Phi. 1. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[p] Mat. 15. 32, &c.
[q] ch. 5. 43. Mat. 8. 4.
[r] Mat. 16. 13, &c. Lu. 9. 18, &c.
[s] Ps. 145. 8. He. 2. 17. 4. 15.
[t] Mat. 14. 2.
[u] Mat. 16. 6. Jno. 6. 69. 11. 27. 1 Jno. 4. 15. 5. 1.
[v] ch. 6. 38.
[x] Mat. 17. 22
[y] Ro. 14. 6. 1 Co. 10. 31.
[z] Ps. 118. 22. Is. 53. 3. Ac. 3. 13. 15.
[a] Mat. 14. 19.
[b] 1 Ki. 17. 14., 16. 2 Ki. 4. 2-7. 42-44.
[c] Mat. 15. 39.
[d] Mat. 10. 38. Lu. 14. 27.
[e] Ro. 6. 6. 8. 17. 1 Co. 4. 9. 13. 15. 31. Phi. 3. 10. Re. 3. 10. 12.
[f] Mat. 12. 38. 16. 1, &c. Jno. 6. 30.
[g] Jno. 12. 25.
[h] Ex. 17. 2. De. 6. 16. Ac. 5. 9. 1 Co. 10. 9.
[i] Ps. 81. 12. Je. 23. 33. Ho. 4. 17. 9. 12.
[k] Mat. 10. 33. Lu. 12. 9.
[l] Ro. 1. 16. 2 Ti. 1. 8. 2. 12.
[m] Da. 7. 10. Zec. 14. 5. 2 Th. 1. 7, 8.

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CHAP. IX.

AND he said unto them, [b] Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen [c] the kingdom of God come with power.

2 ¶ And [d] after six days Jesus taketh *with him* Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding *f* white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.

4 And [g] there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus.

5 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, *i* it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

6 For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.

7 And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

8 And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves.

9 And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.

10 And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead should mean.

11 ¶ And they asked him, saying, Why say the scribes [m] that Elias must first come?

12 And he answered and told them, Elias verily cometh first, and restoreth all things; and [n] how it is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer many things, and [p] be set at nought.

13 But I say unto you, That [q] Elias is indeed come, and they have done unto him whatsoever they listed, as it is written of him.

14 ¶ And [r] when he came to *his* disciples, he saw a great multitude about them, and the scribes questioning with them.

15 And straightway all the people, when they beheld him, were greatly amazed, and running to *him* saluted him.

16 And he asked the scribes, What question ye [s] with them?

17 And one of the multitude answered and said, Master, I have brought unto thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit;

18 And wheresoever he taketh him, he [t] teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not.

19 He answereth him, and saith, [u] O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me.

20 And they brought him unto him: and [v] when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming.

21 And he asked his father, How long is it ago since this came unto him? And he said, Of a child.

22 And oftimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us.

A. D. 32.

[a] ch. 11. 23. Lu. 17. 6. Jno. 11. 40. Ac. 14. 9. He. 11. 6.

[b] Mat. 16. 28. Lu. 9. 27. &c.

[c] Mat. 24. 30. 25. 31. Lu. 22. 18.

[d] Lu. 17. 5. Ep. 2. 8. Phi. 1. 29. 2 Th. 1. 3, 11. He. 12. 2.

[e] Mat. 17. 1. &c.

[f] Da. 7. 9. Mat. 28. 3.

[g] 1 Pe. 1. 10.. 12. Re. 19. 10.

[h] Mat. 17. 19. &c.

[i] Ps. 84. 10. Jno. 14. 21 . 23. Phi. 1. 23. 1 Jno. 3. 2.

[k] Mat. 18. 1. &c. Lu. 9. 46. &c. 22. 24. &c.

[l] Ps. 139. 1..4. Jno. 2. 25. 21. 17. He. 4. 13.

[m] Mal. 4. 5.

[n] ch. 10. 43. Mat. 20. 26. 27.

[o] Ps. 22. 6. Is. 53. 2. &c. Da. 9. 26.

[p] Lu. 23. 11. Phi. 2. 7.

[q] ch. 10. 16.

[r] Mat. 11. 14. Lu. 1. 17.

[s] Mat. 17. 14. &c. Lu. 9. 37. &c.

[t] Mat. 10. 40.

[u] Nu. 11. 28.

[v] 1 Co. 12. 3.

[w] or, *among yourselves?*

[x] Mat. 12. 30.

[y] or, *dasheth him.*

[z] Mat. 18. 6. Lu. 17. 1.

[a] De. 32. 20. Ps. 78. 6..8. 22. Jno. 20. 27. He 3. 10..12

[b] De. 13. 6. Mat. 5. 29. 18. 8.

[c] or, *cause thee to offend*: and so ver. 45, 47

[d] ch. 1. 26.

[e] Is. 66. 24.

23 Jesus said unto him, [w] If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth.

24 And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; [x] help thou mine unbelief.

25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, *Thou* dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.

26 And *the spirit* cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him: and he was as one dead; insomuch that many said, He is dead.

27 But Jesus took him by the hand, and lifted him up; and he arose.

28 And [y] when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, Why could not we cast him out?

29 And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

30 ¶ And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee; and he would not that any man should know *it*.

31 For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day.

32 But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.

33 ¶ And [z] he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, [a] What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way?

34 But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who *should be* the greatest.

35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, [b] If any man desire to be first, *the same* shall be last of all, and servant of all.

36 And [c] he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them,

37 Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and [d] whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.

38 ¶ And [e] John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us.

39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: [f] for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.

40 For [g] he that is not against us is on our part.

41 For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.

42 And [h] whosoever shall offend one of *these* little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.

43 And [i] if thy hand † offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

44 Where [k] their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

[f] Nu. 11. 28.

[g] Mat. 12. 30.

[h] Mat. 18. 6. Lu. 17. 1.

[i] De. 13. 6. Mat. 5. 29. 18. 8.

† or, *cause thee to offend*: and so ver. 45, 47

[k] ch. 1. 26.

[l] Is. 66. 24.

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46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

47 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:

48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

49 For every one shall be salted with fire, [b] and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt.

50 Salt [c] *is* good: but if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it? [d] Have salt in yourselves, and [e] have peace one with another.

CHAP. X.

AND [f] he arose from thence, and cometh into the coasts of Judæa by the farther side of Jordan: and the people resort unto him again; and, as he was wont, he taught them again.

2 ¶ And the Pharisees came to him, and asked him, Is it lawful for a man to put away *his* wife? tempting him.

3 And he answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you?

4 And they said, [h] Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put *her* away.

5 And Jesus answered and said unto them, For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept.

6 But from the beginning of the creation [m] God made them male and female.

7 For [n] this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;

8 And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.

9 What [p] therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

10 And in the house his disciples asked him again of the same *matter*.

11 And he saith unto them, [r] Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.

12 And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.

13 ¶ And [u] they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and *his* disciples rebuked those that brought *them*.

14 But when Jesus saw *it*, he was much displeased, and said unto them, [y] Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for [a] of such is the kingdom of God.

15 Verily I say unto you, [c] Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

16 And he took them up in his arms, put *his* hands upon them, and blessed them.

17 ¶ And [d] when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, [f] what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

18 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God.

19 Thou knowest the [h] commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth.

21 Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have [o] treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

23 ¶ And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them [s] that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

27 And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men *it is* impossible, but not with God: for [k] with God all things are possible.

28 ¶ Then [l] Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.

29 And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

30 But [l] he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

31 But [e] many *that are* first shall be last; and the last first.

32 ¶ And [t] they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. [e] And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,

33 *Saying*, [t] Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and [v] they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:

34 And they shall [e] mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and [f] the third day he shall rise again.

35 ¶ And [b] James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, [d] we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire.

36 And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you?

37 They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.

38 But Jesus said unto them, [f] Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?

39 And they said unto him, [h] We can. And Jesus said unto them, [f] Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:

40 But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but *it shall be given to them* [f] for whom it is prepared.

41 And when the ten heard *it*, they began to be much displeased with James and John.

A. D. 33.

[g] Mat. 6. 19, 20. Lu. 12. 33. 16. 9.
[b] Le. 2. 13. Eze. 43. 24.
[c] Mat. 5. 13. Lu. 14. 34.
[d] Ep. 4. 29. Col. 4. 6.
[e] Ro. 12. 18. 14. 19. 2 Co. 13. 11. He. 12. 14.
[f] Joh 31. 24. Ps. 52. 7. 62. 10. 1 Ti. 6. 17.
[g] Mat. 19. 1, &c. Jno. 10. 40. 11. 7.
[h] Job 42. 2. Je. 32. 17. Lu. 1. 37. Phi. 3. 21. He. 7. 25.
[i] Mat. 19. 27, ..30. Lu. 18. 28.. 30.
[k] De. 24. 1. Mat. 5. 31.
[l] 1 Ch. 25. 9.
[m] Ge. 1. 27. 5. 2.
[n] Ge. 2. 24. 1 Co. 6. 16. Ep. 5. 31.
[o] Lu. 18. 30.
[p] Ro. 7. 1..3. 1 Co. 7. 10.. 13.
[q] Mat. 20. 17 ..19. Lu. 18. 31.. 34.
[r] Mat. 5. 32. Lu. 16. 18. He. 13. 4.
[s] ch. 6. 31. 9. 31. Lu. 9. 22.
[t] Ac. 20. 22.
[u] Ex. 10. 9. De. 31. 12, 13 Joel 2. 16. Lu. 18. 15.. 17.
[v] Ac. 13. 27. Je. 5. 6.
[w] Ps. 22. 6..8, 13. Is. 53. 3. Jno. 19. 2, 3.
[y] 1 Sa. 1. 11, &c. Is. 65. 23.
[z] 1 Co. 15. 4.
[a] 1 Co. 14. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[b] Mat. 20. 20, &c.
[c] Mat. 18. 3.
[d] 1 K. 1. 2. 16, 30.
[e] Mat. 19. 16, &c. Lu. 18. 18, &c.
[f] Je. 45. 5. Ro. 8. 28. Ja. 4. 3.
[g] Jno. 6. 28. Ac. 16. 30. Ro. 10. 2..4.
[h] Jno. 13. 37.
[i] Ac. 12. 2. Re. 1. 9.
[k] Ex. XX.
[l] He. 11. 16.

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42 But Jesus called them *to him*, and saith unto them, [b] Ye know that they which [c] are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

43 But [c] so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:

44 And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

45 For even [f] the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and [g] to give his life a ransom for many.

46 ¶ And [h] they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæus, the son of Timæus, sat by the highway side begging.

47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, *thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

49 And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.

50 And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus.

51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.

52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way: [m] thy faith hath made thee whole. And [n] immediately he received his sight, [o] and followed Jesus in the way.

CHAP. XI.

AND [p] when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples,

2 And saith unto them, Go your way into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat; loose him, and bring *him*.

3 And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye that [q] the Lord [r] hath need of him; and straightway he will send him hither.

4 And they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met; and they loose him.

5 And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt?

6 And they said unto them even as Jesus had commanded: and they let them go.

7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and he sat upon him.

8 And many spread their garments in the way: and others [s] cut down branches off the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.

9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, [t] Hosanna; Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord:

10 Blessed *be* [u] the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: [x] Hosanna in the highest.

11 And [y] Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 21. 18 ..21.
[b] Lu. 22. 25.
[c] or, *think good.*
[c] ch. 9. 35. Lu. 9. 48.
[d] Jno. 15. 6. Ho. 6. 4. 8. 10.35..21. 2 Pe. 2. 20.
[e] Lu. 19. 45. Jno. 2. 14.
[f] Jno. 13. 14. Phi. 2. 7.
[g] 1 Ti. 2. 6. Tit. 2. 14.
[h] Mat. 10. 29 ..34. Lu. 18. 35. ..43.
[i] Is. 56. 7.
[†] or, *an house of prayer for all nations?*
[k] Je. 7. 11.
[l] Mat. 21. 45. 46.
[m] Lu. 19. 47. ch. 1. 22. Mat. 7. 28. Lu. 4. 32.
[n] ch. 5. 34. Mat. 9. 22. Ep. 2. 8.
[‡] or, *saved thee.*
[§] or, *Have the faith of God.*
[o] Ps. 34. 6. 146. 8. Is. 42. 16, 18.
[p] Mat. 17. 20. 21. 21. Lu. 17. 6.
[q] Lu. 8. 2, 3.
[r] Mat. 21. 1, &c. Lu. 19. 29, &c. Jno. 12. 14, &c.
[s] Mat. 7. 7. Lu. 11. 9. Jno. 14. 13. 15. 7. 16. 24. Ja. 1. 5, 6.
[t] Mat. 6. 14. Col. 3. 13.
[u] Ps. 24. 1. Ac. 10. 36.
[x] 2 Co. 8. 9. He. 2. 7..9.
[y] Mat. 18. 35.
[z] Mat. 21. 33. Lu. 20. 1.
[‖] or, *thing.*
[a] Le. 23. 40.
[b] Ps. 118. 26.
[c] Is. 9. 6, 7. Je. 33. 15 ..17 Eze. 34. 23, 24.
[d] Ps. 148. 1.
[e] ch. 6. 20. Mat. 3. 5. 14. 5.
[f] Mat. 21. 12.

12 ¶ And [a] on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:

13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not *yet*.

14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, [d] No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard *it*.

15 ¶ And [e] they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;

16 And would not suffer that any man should carry *any* vessel through the temple.

17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, [i] My house shall be called [†] of all nations the house of prayer? but [k] ye have made it a den of thieves.

18 And [l] the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because [m] all the people was astonished at his doctrine.

19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.

20 ¶ And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.

21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, [§] Have faith in God.

23 For [p] verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

24 Therefore I say unto you, [q] What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.

25 And when ye stand praying, [r] forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

26 But [s] if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

27 ¶ And they come again to Jerusalem: [a] and as he was walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders,

28 And say unto him, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority to do these things?

29 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I will also ask of you one [‖] question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.

30 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? answer me.

31 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him?

32 But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for [t] all *men* counted John, that he was a prophet indeed.

33 And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.

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CHAP. XII.

AND [a] he began to speak unto them by parables. A *certain* man [b] planted a vineyard, [c] and *set* an hedge about *it*, and digged *a place for* the winefat, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country.

2 And at the season he sent to the husbandmen [d] a servant, that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruit of the vineyard.

3 And they caught *him*, and beat him, [e] and sent *him* away empty.

4 And again he sent unto them another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded *him* in the head, and sent *him* away shamefully handled.

5 And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and killing some.

6 Having yet therefore [f] one son, his wellbeloved, he sent him also last unto them, saying, They will reverence my son.

7 But those husbandmen said among themselves, [m] This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be our's.

8 And they took him, and killed *him*, and [n] cast *him* out of the vineyard.

9 What shall therefore the lord of the vineyard do? he will come and destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others.

10 And have ye not read this scripture; [o] The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner:

11 This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

12 And [p] they sought to lay hold on him, but feared the people: for they knew that he had spoken the parable against them: and they left him, and went their way.

13 ¶ And [q] they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in *his* words.

14 And when they were come, they say unto him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man; for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth: Is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not?

15 Shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why tempt ye me? bring me a [r] penny, that I may see *it*.

16 And they brought *it*. And he saith unto them, Whose *is* this image and superscription? And they said unto him, Cæsar's.

17 And Jesus answering said unto them, [s] Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's. And they marvelled at him.

18 ¶ Then come unto him the Sadducees, [t] which say there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying,

19 Master, [u] Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave *his* wife *behind him*, and leave no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

20 Now there were seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.

21 And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed: and the third likewise.

22 And the seven had her, and left no seed: last of all the woman died also.

23 In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be of them? for the seven had her to wife.

24 And Jesus answering said unto them, [x] Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither [y] the power of God?

25 For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but [z] are as the angels which are in heaven.

26 And as touching the dead, that they rise: have ye not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, [a] I *am* the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?

27 He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living: ye therefore do greatly err.

28 ¶ And [b] one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?

29 And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments *is*, [c] Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment.

31 And the second *is* like, *namely* this, [d] Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; [e] and there is none other but he:

33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, [f] is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

34 And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. [g] And no man after that durst ask him *any question*.

35 ¶ And [h] Jesus answered and said, while he taught in the temple, How say the scribes that Christ is the son of David?

36 For David himself said [i] by the Holy Ghost, [k] The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool.

37 David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he *then* his son? And the common people heard him gladly.

38 ¶ And [l] he said unto them in his doctrine, [m] Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and [n] *love* salutations in the marketplaces,

39 And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts:

40 Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive greater damnation.

41 ¶ And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast †money [o] into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much.

42 And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two ‡mites, which make a farthing.

43 And he called *unto him* his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That [p] this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:

A. D. 33.

[a] Ezek. 20. 49. Mat. 21. 33, &c. Lu. 20. 9, &c
[b] Ps. 80. 8..16. Is. 5. 1..7. Je. 2. 21. Ro. 11. 17.. 24.
[c] Ro. 3. 1, 2. 9. 4, 5.
[d] Is. 8. 20. Je. 8. 7..9.
[e] Phi. 3. 21.
[f] 2 Ch. 36. 15. He. 1. 1.
[g] 1 Co. 15. 42, 49, 52. He. 12. 22, 23. 1 Joh. 3. 2.
[h] Je. 44. 4, 5, 16 Da. 9. 10, 11. Zec. 7. 8..13.
[i] Ex. 3. 6. Ac. 7. 31, 32.
[k] Mat. 22. 35, &c.
[l] Ps. 2. 7. Mat. 26. 62, 63. 1 Joh. 4. 9. 5. 11, 12.
[m] Ps. 2. 2, 3. 22. 12..16.
[n] De. 6. 4. Lu. 10. 27.
[o] He. 13. 11, 12
[p] Lu. 19. 48.
Ro. 13. 9. Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[r] Ps. 118. 22.
[s] De. 4. 39. Is. 45. 5, 14. 46. 9.
[t] ch. 11. 18. Mat. 21. 45, 46. Joh. 7. 25, 30, 44.
[u] 1 Sa. 15. 22. Ho. 6. 6. Mi. 6. 6..8.
[v] Mat. 22. 15, &c. Lu. 20. 20, &c.
[x] Ro. 3. 19. Col. 4. 6.
[y] Mat. 22. 41 ..46. Lu. 20. 41..
[z] 2 Sa. 23. 2.
[a] Ps. 110. 1.
[b] See Mat. 18. 28.
[b] ch. 4. 2.
[c] Pr. 24. 17. Jo. 15. 14. 1 Pe. 2. 17.
[d] Mat. 23. 1, &c. Lu. 20. 46, 47
[e] Lu. 11. 43.
[f] Ac. 25. 8.
[g] De. 25. 5.
† *A piece of brass money*: see Mat. 10. 9.
[h] 2 Ki. 12. 9.
‡ It is the seventh part of one piece of that brass money.
[i] 2 Co. 8. 12.

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44 For all *they* did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, [o] *even* all her living.

CHAP. XIII.

AND [a] as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what manner of stones and what buildings *are here!*

2 And Jesus answering said unto him, Seest thou these great buildings? [b] there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,

4 Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?

5 And Jesus answering them began to say, [c] Take heed lest any *man* deceive you:

6 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ;* and shall deceive many.

7 And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for *such things* must needs be; but the end *shall* not *be* yet.

8 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these *are* the beginnings of [o] sorrows.

9 ¶ But [d] take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them.

10 And the gospel must first be published among all nations.

11 But when they shall lead *you*, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, [e] but the Holy Ghost.

12 Now [f] the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against *their* parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.

13 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but [g] he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

14 ¶ But [h] when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, [i] spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then [k] let them that be in Judæa flee to the mountains:

15 And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter *therein*, to take any thing out of his house:

16 And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.

17 But [l] woe to them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

18 And pray ye that your flight be not in the winter.

19 For [m] *in* those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.

20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.

21 And *f* then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here *is* Christ; or, lo, *he is* there; believe *him* not:

A. D. 33.

o Da. 24. 6. 1 Jno. 3. 17.
b 2 Pe. 3. 17.
c Mat. 24. 1, &c. Lu. 21. 5, &c.
d Da. 7. 10. Zep. 1. 15. Mat. 24. 29, &c. Lu. 21. 25.
e Lu. 19. 44.
f ch. 14. 62. Da. 7. 13, 14. Mat. 16. 27. Ac. 1. 11. 1 Th. 4. 16. 2 Th. 1. 7, 10. Re. 1. 7.
g Mat. 24. 22 ..34 Lu. 21. 28, &c.
h Je. 29. 8. Ep. 5. 6. 1 Th. 2. 3.
i Is. 40. 6.
o The word in the original *importeth the pains of a woman in travail.*
k Mat. 10. 17. 16. 24. 9. Re. 2. 10.
l 1 Th. 5. 6.
m Pr. 24. 33, 34. Ro. 13. 11.. 14. Ep. 5. 14.
n Ac. 8. 1. 4. 8, 31.
o Mi. 7. 6. Mat. 10. 21.
p Mat. 26 2..5 Lu. 22. 1. Jno. 11. 55. 13. 1.
r Da. 12. 12. Re. 2. 10.
s Mat. 24. 15.
t Da. 9. 27.
u Mat. 26. 6, &c. Lu. 7. 37.. Jno. 12. 1, 2.
v Lu. 21. 21.
† or, *pure nard*, or, *liquid nard.*
x Ec. 4. 4.
y Lu. 23. 29.
z See Mat. 18. 28.
a Jno. 6. 43. 1 Co. 10. 10. Phi. 2. 14.
o Da. 9. 26. 12. 1. Joel 2. 2. Mat. 24. 21.
b Is. 54. 17. 2 Co. 10. 18.
c Ac. 9. 26.
d De. 15. 11.
e 2 Co. 9. 13, 14 Ja. 2. 14..16. 1 Jno. 3. 16 ..19.
f Lu. 17. 23.

22 For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, *if it were* possible, even the elect.

23 But [b] take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.

24 ¶ But [d] in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,

25 And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.

26 And [f] then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

27 And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

28 Now [g] learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:

29 So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, *even* at the doors.

30 Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.

31 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but [i] my words shall not pass away.

32 ¶ But of that day and *that* hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

33 Take [l] ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.

34 *For the Son of man is* as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

35 Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:

36 Lest coming suddenly [m] he find you sleeping.

37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

CHAP. XIV.

AFTER [p] two days was *the feast of* the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put *him* to death.

2 But they said, Not on the feast *day*, lest there be an uproar of the people.

3 ¶ And [u] being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of † spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured *it* on his head.

4 And [x] there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made?

5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred [z] pence, and have been given to the poor. [a] And they murmured against her.

6 And Jesus said, [b] Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought [c] a good work on me.

7 For [d] ye have the poor with you always, [e] and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.

8 She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.

9 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout

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the whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

10 ¶ And [h] Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.

11 And when they heard *it*, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

12 ¶ And [d] the first day of unleavened bread, when they [o] killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?

13 And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him.

14 And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guestchamber, [i] where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

15 And [l] he will shew you a large upper room furnished *and* prepared: there make ready for us.

16 And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.

17 And [e] in the evening he cometh with the twelve.

18 And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, [p] One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.

19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, *Is* it I? and another *said*, *Is* it I?

20 And he answered and said unto them, *It is* one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish.

21 The Son of man indeed goeth, [m] as it is written of him: but [n] woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born.

22 ¶ And [p] as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake *it*, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body.

23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave *it* to them: and they all drank of it.

24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

25 Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

26 ¶ And [q] when they had sung an † hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

27 And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, [r] I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.

28 But [s] after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.

29 But [t] Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet *will* not I.

30 And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, *even* in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.

31 But [u] he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 26. 36, &c. Lu. 22. 39, &c. Jno. 18. 1, &c
[b] Mat. 26. 14, &c. Lu. 22. 3, 4.
[c] Jno. 12. 27.
[d] Lu. 22. 7.
[e] or, *sacrificed*.
[f] Ro. 8. 15. Ga. 4. 6. He. 5. 7.
[g] Ro. 5. 20. 6. 23.
[h] Ro. 7. 23. Ga. 5. 17.
[i] Re. 3. 20.
[k] 2 Co. 12. 8.
[l] Pr. 16. 1.
[m] Ro. 3. 19.
[n] Jno. 13. 1.
[o] Mat. 26. 20, &c.
[p] Ps. 41. 9. 55. 12, 14. Jno. 6. 64. 12. 10, 11. 18, 21.
[r] Mat. 26. 47, &c. Lu. 22. 47, &c. Jno. 18. 3, &c. Ac. 1. 16.
[s] Ps. 2. 1, 2. 22. 11..13
[t] 2Sa. 20. 9, 10. Ps. 55. 20, 21. Pr. 27. 6.
[u] Ge. 3. 15. Is. 52. 14. 53. 1..10. Da. 9. 24, 26. Zec. 13. 7.
[v] Ac. 1. 25.
[x] Mat. 7. 21. Jno. 13. 13, 14.
[y] Mat. 26. 26.. 29. Lu. 22. 19, &c. 1 Co. 11. 23, &c.
[z] La. 4. 20. Ac. 2. 23.
[a] Ps. 22. 6. Is. 53. 3, &c. Da. 9. 24, 26 Lu. 22. 37. 24. 44.
[b] ver. 27. Job 19. 13, 14. Ps. 88. 8. Is. 63. 3. 2 Ti. 4. 16.
[c] Mat. 26. 30.
† or, *psalm*.
[d] Mat. 26. 57, &c. Lu. 22. 54, &c. Jno. 18. 13, &c.
[e] Zec. 13. 7.
[f] ch. 16. 7.
[g] Jno. 13. 37, 38.
[h] Ps. 27. 12.
[i] 1 Pe. 3. 16.. 18.
[k] 2 Ki. 8. 13. Je. 10. 23. 17. 9, 10.

32 And [a] they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray.

33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy;

34 And saith unto them, [z] My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36 And he said, [c] Abba, Father, [f] all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: [g] nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?

38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. [h] The spirit truly *is* ready, but the flesh *is* weak.

39 And again he went away, [c] and prayed, and spake the same words.

40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) [m] neither wist they what to answer him.

41 And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: it is enough, [n] the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

42 Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.

43 ¶ And [r] immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him [a] a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

44 And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, [r] Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead *him* away safely.

45 And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, [x] Master, master; and kissed him.

46 ¶ And [a] they laid their hands on him, and took him.

47 And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

48 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and *with* staves to take me?

49 I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but [a] the scriptures must be fulfilled.

50 And [b] they all forsook him, and fled.

51 And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about *his* naked *body*; and the young men laid hold on him:

52 And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.

53 ¶ And [d] they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes.

54 And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest: and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.

55 And the chief priests and all the council [k] sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; [i] and found none.

56 For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together.

57 And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying,

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58 We heard him say, [a] I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.

59 But neither so did their witness agree together.

60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?

61 But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?

62 And Jesus said, I am: [c] and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

63 Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?

64 Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death.

65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands.

66 ¶ And [i] as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest:

67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth.

68 But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew.

69 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them.

70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art *one* of them: [o] for thou art a Galilæan, and thy speech agreeth *thereto*.

71 But he began to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not this man of whom ye speak.

72 And [q] the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And [s] when he thought thereon, [t] he wept.

CHAP. XV.

AND [u] straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried *him* away, and delivered *him* to Pilate.

2 And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest *it*.

3 And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing.

4 And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee.

5 But [z] Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled.

6 Now [a] at *that* feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired.

7 And there was *one* named Barabbas, *which lay* bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection.

A. D. 33.

[a] ch. 15. 29. Jno. 2. 19.
[b] Ac. 3. 13..15.
[c] Ge. 4. 4, &c. 1 Sa. 16. 8, 9. Pr. 27. 4. Tit. 3. 3. Ja. 3. 14..16. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[d] Jno. 11. 47 ..53.
[e] Mat. 24. 30. 26. 64. Lu. 22. 69.
[f] He. 7. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[g] Jno. 19. 1, 16.
[h] Pr. 29. 25. Ga. 1. 10.
[i] Mat. 26. 58, 69. Lu. 22. 55. Jno. 18. 16.
[k] Job 30. 8..13 Ps. 35. 15..17 Is. 50. 6. Mi. 5. 1. He. 12. 2, 3.
[l] Job 13. 9.
[m] Lu. 23. 26.
[n] Ro. 16. 13.
[o] Ac. 2. 7.
[p] Ac. 5. 30. 2 Co. 5. 21. Ga. 3. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[r] Ps. 22. 18.
[s] Mat. 26. 75.
[t] Mat. 27. 45.
[u] Ps. 2. 6. Zec. 9. 9. Mat. 2. 2.
[o] or, *he wept abundantly*, or, *he began to weep*.
[x] Ese. 7. 16. 2 Co. 7. 10.
[z] Ps. 2. 2. Mat. 27. 1, &c. Lu. 22. 66. 23. 1, &c. Jno. 18. 28, &c. Ac. 3. 13. 4. 26.
[y] Is. 53. 12. Lu. 22. 37.
[a] Ps. 22. 7.
[a] ch. 14. 58. Jno. 2. 19.
[b] Jno. 11. 47.. 52. 12. 33, 34. 1 Pe. 3. 17, 18.
[c] Is. 53. 7. Jno. 19. 9.
[d] Mat. 27. 15. Lu. 23. 17. Jno. 18. 39.
[e] Mat. 27. 44. Lu. 23. 39.
[f] Lu. 23. 44.
[g] Am. 8. 9, 10.

8 And the multitude crying aloud began to desire *him to do* as he had ever done unto them.

9 But Pilate answered them, saying, [b] Will ye that I release unto you the king of the Jews?

10 For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him [c] for envy.

11 But [d] the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them.

12 And Pilate answered and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do *unto him* whom ye call the King of the Jews?

13 And they cried out again, Crucify him.

14 Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him.

15 ¶ And [e] *so* Pilate, [h] willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged *him*, to be crucified.

16 And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Prætorium; and they call together the whole band.

17 And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his *head*,

18 And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!

19 And [k] they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing *their* knees worshipped him.

20 And when they had [l] mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.

21 And [m] they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and [n] Rufus, to bear his cross.

22 And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.

23 And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received *it* not.

24 And when they had [p] crucified him, [r] they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.

25 And [s] it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

26 And the superscription of his accusation was written over, [t] THE KING OF THE JEWS.

27 And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.

28 And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, [y] And he was numbered with the transgressors.

29 And [z] they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, [a] thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days,

30 Save thyself, and come down from the cross.

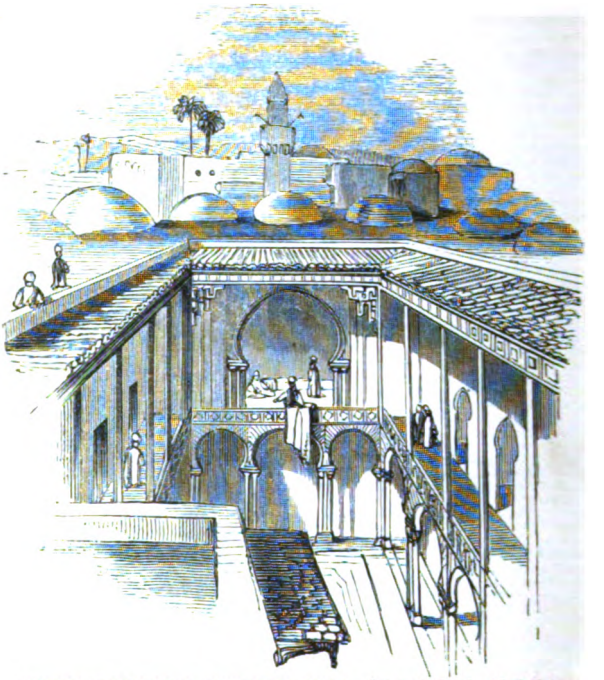
31 Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, [b] He saved others; himself he cannot save.

32 Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And [c] they that were crucified with him reviled him.

33 And when the sixth hour was come, [d] there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried

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COVERED GALLERIES OF AN EASTERN HOUSE.—*Original Sketch.*—Mark ii. 4.



BETHANY.—*Original Sketch.*—Mark xi. 11.

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with a loud voice, saying, [a] Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard *it*, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.

36 And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and [b] gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.

37 And [c] Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

38 And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.

39 ¶ And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

40 There were also women looking on [d] afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome;

41 (Who also, when he was in Galilee, [e] followed him, and ministered unto him;) and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem.

42 ¶ And [f] now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,

43 Joseph of Arimathæa, an honourable counsellor, which also [g] waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.

44 And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling *unto him* the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead.

45 And when he knew *it* of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph.

46 And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.

47 And Mary Magdalene and Mary *the mother* of Joses beheld where he was laid.

CHAP. XVI.

AND [h] when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary *the mother* of James, and Salome, [a] had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

2 And very early in the morning the first *day* of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

6 And [c] he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, [g] as he said unto you.

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: [f] neither said they any thing to any *man*; for they were afraid.

9 ¶ Now when *Jesus* was risen early the first *day* of the week, [h] he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, [i] out of whom he had cast seven devils.

10 *And* she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.

11 And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

12 ¶ After that he appeared in another form [m] unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

13 And they went and told *it* unto the residue: neither believed they them.

14 ¶ Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat [n] at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

15 And [p] he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, [r] and preach the gospel to every creature.

16 He [s] that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; [t] but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; [u] In my name shall they cast out devils; they [v] shall speak with new tongues;

18 They [w] shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; [x] they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

19 ¶ So then [b] after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and [c] sat on the right hand of God.

20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with *them*, [d] and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

A. D. 33.

[a] Ps. 22. 1. Mat. 27. 46.
[b] Ps. 69. 21.
[c] Mat. 28. 5, 7.
[d] Mat. 27. 50. Lu. 23. 46. Jno. 19. 30.
[e] ch. 14. 25. Mat. 28. 32.
[f] Mat. 28. 8.
[g] Ps. 38. 11.
[h] Jno. 20. 14.
[i] Ro. 5. 20, 21.
[k] Lu. 8. 2, 3.
[l] Mat. 27. 57, &c. Lu. 23. 50, &c. Jno. 19. 38, &c.
[m] Lu. 24. 13.
[n] Lu. 2. 25, 38.
[o] Lu. 24. 36. Jno. 20. 19. 1 Co. 15. 5.
[o] or, *together*.
[p] Mat. 28. 19. Jno. 15. 16.
[r] Col. 1. 23.
[s] Jno. 3. 16, 36. Ac. 2. 38. 16. 30, 33. Ro. 10. 9. 1 Pe. 3. 21.
[t] Jno. 12. 48.
[u] Lu. 10. 17. Ac. 5. 16. 8. 7. 16. 18. 19. 12.
[v] Ac. 2. 4. 10. 46. 19. 6. 1 Co. 12. 10. 28.
[w] Lu. 10. 19. Ac. 28. 5.
[x] Mat. 28. 1, &c. Lu. 24. 1, &c. Jno. 20. 1, &c.
[a] Ac. 5. 15, 16. 9. 17. Ja. 5. 14, 15.
[a] Lu. 23. 56.
[b] Ac. 1. 2, 3.
[c] Ps. 110. 1. Ac. 7. 55.
[d] Ac. 5. 12. 14. 3. 1 Co. 2. 4, 5. He. 2. 4.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II. 4.—COVERED GALLERIES. Carefully observe the text. Scott says, 'The house it may be supposed was low, perhaps only one story high, and there was some way up on the outside; but though there might be also an opening in the roof, yet it seems not to have been wide enough to let the bed pass through. They, therefore, uncovered the roof, and even broke up what was in the way. Some think he was let down through the battlements on the outside of the house into the yard, but the language of the evangelists seems incapable of this meaning; and any injury done to the roof by breaking it up might be repaired at a small expense.' Dr. Jenks remarks, 'The explanation here given by Scott is unsatisfactory. Would four men, perhaps strangers, take so great a liberty as to unroof the house of another? Besides removing the earth, rafters, and other materials of the roof, would have endangered the crowd below. There is an easier solution. Over the court or yard of eastern houses was usually spread a large *awning* to screen from the sun. (See the adaptation of the roofs of the galleries for this, as shewn in the cut.) *Roof* here means covering or awning. The four men carried the paralytic up the private stairs on the outside to the top of the house, which was flat-roofed, *uncovered* the awning by loosing one or more of the fastenings, which were probably fixed to the parapet, and let him down, and, as it should be rendered, not *through*, but *along* the tiling. But it is said, "And when they had broken up," &c. These words may refer, not, as Scott and others suppose, to the roof, but to the bed. They brought him upon the *bed* or *bedstead* to the roof, then *broke it up*, or took it apart, and formed a couch of the sacking, which was easily let down into the yard. So in Luke v. 19, we read the men brought the sick of the palsy to the roof, in a *bed*, and let him down with *his couch*.'

CH. XI. 11.—BETHANY lies in a small ravine of mount Olivet. It is embosomed in fruit trees. It has about twenty inhabited houses; the rest are ruins.

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The Gospel according to S. LUKE.

Probably written for Gentile Christians: and while omitting some things recorded by the other Evangelists, mentions some parables, discourses, miracles, and events not recorded in them.

CHAP. I.

FORASMUCH as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,

2 Even [a] as they delivered them unto us, which [b] from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word;

3 It [c] seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee [d] in order, [f] most excellent Theophilus,

4 That [g] thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

5 ¶ [h] THERE was in the days of Herod, the king of Judæa, a certain priest named Zacharias, [i] of the course of Abia: and his wife *was* of the daughters of Aaron, and her name *was* Elisabeth.

6 And they were both [l] righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.

7 And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were *now* well stricken in years.

8 And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God [n] in the order of his course,

9 According to the custom of the priest's office, his [o] lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.

10 And [p] the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.

11 And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of [q] the altar of incense.

12 And when Zacharias saw *him*, [r] he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.

13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and [s] thou shalt call his name John.

14 And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.

15 For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and [t] shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, [u] even from his mother's womb.

16 And [f] many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.

17 And [g] he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient [†] to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

18 And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby [i] shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years.

19 And the angel answering said unto him, I am [l] Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.

20 And, behold, [m] thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.

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[a] He. 2. 3. 1 Jno. 1. 1.
[b] Mar. 1. 1. Jno. 15. 27.
[c] 1 Co. 7. 40.
[d] 2 Ki. 11. 5. 1 Ch. 9. 25.
[e] Ac. 11. 4.
[f] Ac. 1. 1.
[g] Jno. 20. 31.
[h] Before the Common Account, called Anno Domini, the Sixth Year. Mat. 2. 1.
[i] Ge. 30. 23. Is. 4. 1. 54. 1, 4.
[k] Ne. 12. 4, 17.
[l] Ge. 17. 1. Job 1. 1. Phi. 3. 6.
[m] Mat. 1. 18.
[n] Da. 9. 23. 10. 19.
[o] or, graciously accepted, or, much graced: ver. 30.
[p] Ge. 6. 12.
[q] 1 Ch. 24. 19.
[r] ver. 12.
[s] Ex. 30. 7, 8. 2 Ch. 29. 11.
[t] Le. 16. 17. Nu. 8. 3, 4.
[u] Is. 7. 14. Mat. 1. 21.
[v] Mar. 5. 7.
[w] Ex. 30. 1.
[x] 28a. 7. 11, 12. Is. 9. 6, 7. 16. 5. Je. 22. 5. Ps. 132. 11. Re. 3. 7.
[y] Da. 10. 8. Ac. 10. 4. Re. 1. 17.
[z] Jno. 12. 34. He. 1. 8.
[a] ver. 60, 63.
[b] Mat. 1. 20.
[c] ch. 7. 33. Nu. 6. 3. Ju. 13. 4.
[d] Je. 1. 5. Ga. 1. 15.
[e] Jno. 1. 34. Re. 1. 4.
[f] Mal. 4. 5, 6.
[g] Mat. 11. 14.
[h] Ge. 18. 14. Je. 32. 17. Re. 4. 21.
[†] or, by.
[i] Ge. 17. 17.
[k] Jos. 21. 9...11
[l] Da. 8. 16. 9. 21...23. Mat. 18. 10. He. 1. 14.
[m] Eze. 3. 26. 24. 27.
[n] Ju. 5. 24.

21 And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple.

22 And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless.

23 And it came to pass, that, as soon as [d] the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house.

24 And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,

25 Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on *me*, to [i] take away my reproach among men.

26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

27 To a virgin [m] espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name *was* Mary.

28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, [n] Hail, *thou that art* [o] highly favoured, [p] the Lord *is* with thee: blessed *art* thou among women.

29 And when she saw *him*, [q] she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

31 And, [r] behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

32 He shall be great, [s] and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and [t] the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

33 And [u] he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

35 And the angel answered and said unto her, [v] The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called [w] the Son of God.

36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.

37 For [x] with God nothing shall be impossible.

38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

39 And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, [y] into a city of Juda;

40 And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth.

41 And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:

42 And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, [z] Blessed *art* thou among women, and blessed *is* the fruit of thy womb.

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43 And whence *is* this to me, that the mother of my Lord ſhould come to me?
44 For, lo, as ſoon as the voice of thy ſalutation ſounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.
45 And bleſſed *is* ſhe [o] that believed: for there ſhall be a performance of thoſe things which were told her from the Lord.
46 And Mary ſaid, [d] My ſoul doth magnify the Lord,
47 And my ſpirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
48 For [f] he hath regarded the low eſtate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth [g] all generations ſhall call me bleſſed.
49 For he that is mighty [h] hath done to me great things; and [i] holy *is* his name.
50 And [k] his mercy *is* on them that fear him from generation to generation.
51 He hath ſhewed ſtrength with his arm; [m] he hath ſcattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
52 He [n] hath put down the mighty from *their* ſeats, and exalted them of low degree.
53 He [o] hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath ſent empty away.
54 He hath holpen his ſervant Iſrael, [r] in remembrance of *his* mercy;
55 As [s] he ſpake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his ſeed for ever.
56 And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own houſe.
57 Now Eliſabeth's full time came that ſhe ſhould be delivered; and ſhe brought forth a ſon.
58 And her neighbours and her couſins heard how the Lord had ſhewed great mercy upon her; and [t] they rejoiced with her.
59 And it came to paſs, that [y] on the eighth day they came to circumciſe the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.
60 And his mother anſwered and ſaid, [e] Not *ſo;* but he ſhall be called John.
61 And they ſaid unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.
62 And they made ſigns to his father, how he would have him called.
63 And he aſked for a writing table, and wrote, ſaying, His name is John. And they marvelled all.
64 And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue *loosed*, and he ſpake, and praiſed God.
65 And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all theſe [t] ſayings were noiſed abroad throughout all the hill country of Judæa.
66 And all they that heard *them* [e] laid *them* up in their hearts, ſaying, What manner of child ſhall this be! And [f] the hand of the Lord was with him.
67 And his father Zacharias [g] was filled with the Holy Ghoſt, and propheſied, ſaying,
68 Bleſſed *be* the Lord God of Iſrael; for he hath viſited and redeemed his people,
69 And hath raiſed up an horn of ſalvation for us in the houſe of his ſervant David;
70 As [m] he ſpake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been ſince the world began:
71 That we ſhould be ſaved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;
72 To perform the mercy *promiſed* to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;
73 The [s] oath which he ſware to our father Abraham,
74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might [h] ſerve him without fear,
75 In [i] holineſs and righteouſneſs before him, all the days of our life.
76 And thou, child, ſhalt be called the prophet of the Higheſt: for [z] thou ſhalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;
77 To give knowledge of ſalvation unto his people [k] by the remiſſion of their ſins,
78 Through the [l] tender mercy of our God; whereby the [§] dayſpring from on high hath viſited us,
79 To [l] give light to them that ſit in darkneſs and *in* the ſhadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
80 And the child grew, and waxed ſtrong in ſpirit, and was in the deſerts till the day of his ſhewing unto Iſrael.

CHAP. II.

AND it came to paſs [p] in thoſe days, that there went out a decree from Cæſar Auguſtus, that all the world ſhould be [‖] taxed.
2 (*And* [t] this taxing was firſt made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)
3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
4 And Joſeph alſo went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto [u] the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; ([v] becauſe he was of the houſe and lineage of David:)
5 To be taxed with Mary his eſpouſed wife, being great with child.
6 And ſo it was, that, while they were there, the days were accompliſhed that ſhe ſhould be delivered.
7 And ſhe brought forth her firſtborn ſon, and wrapped him in ſwaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; becauſe there was no room for them in the inn.
8 And there were in the ſame country ſhepherds abiding in the field, keeping [o] watch over their flock by night.
9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord ſhone round about them: [z] and they were ſore afraid.
10 And the angel ſaid unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, [b] which ſhall be to all people.
11 For [c] unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, [d] which is Chriſt the Lord.
12 And this *ſhall be* a ſign unto you; Ye ſhall find the babe wrapped in ſwaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
13 And [A] ſuddenly there was with the angel [g] a multitude of the heavenly hoſt praiſing God, and ſaying,
14 Glory [i] to God in the higheſt, and on earth [k] peace, [l] good will toward men.
15 And it came to paſs, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the [‡] ſhepherds ſaid one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and ſee this thing which is come to paſs, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
16 And they came with haſte, and found Mary, and Joſeph, and the babe lying in a manger.
17 And when they had ſeen *it*, they made

A. M. 3998.
a Ge. 12. 3. 22.16,17. He. 6.13,17.
o or, *which believed that there.*
b Ro. 6.18,22. He. 9. 14.
c Ep. 4. 24. 2 Pe. 1. 4.
d 1Sa.2.1,&c. Hab. 3. 18.
e Is. 40. 3. Mal. 3. 1. Mat. 11. 10.
f 1 Sa. 1. 11. Pe. 138. 6.
g ch. 11. 27. Mal. 3. 12.
† or, *for.*
‡ or, *bowels of the mercy.*
h Ps. 71. 19. 126. 2, 3.
§ or, *sun-rising*, or, *branch.* Nu. 24. 17. Zec. 3. 8. 6. 12.
i Ps. 111. 9.
k Ps.103.17,18
l Is. 9. 2. Mat. 4. 16. Ac. 26. 18.
m Ps. 33. 10. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
n Job 5. 11.
o Ps. 34. 10.
P Before the Account called Anno Domini the Fifth Year.
r Ps. 98. 3. Je. 31. 3, 20.
‖ or, *inrolled.*
s Ge. 17. 19. Ps. 132. 11. Ro. 11. 26. Ga. 3. 16.
t Ac. 5. 37.
u 1 Sa. 16.1,4. Jno. 7. 42.
v Mat. 1. 16.
x Ro. 12. 15.
y Ge. 17. 12. Le. 12. 3.
z ver. 13.
o or, *the night watches.*
a ch. 1. 12.
† or, *things.*
b Ge. 12. 3. Mat. 28. 19. Col. 1. 23.
c Is. 9. 6.
d Phl. 2. 11. ch. 2. 19, 51.
f Ge. 39. 2.
g Ac. 11. 21.
A Joel 2. 28.
i Ge. 28. 12. 32. 1, 2. Re. 5. 11.
k Ep. 1. 6. 2. 14,21.
l Ro. 5. 1. Ep. 2. 17.
‡ Jno. 3. 16. 2 Th. 2. 16.
‡ *men the shepherds.*
m Je. 23. 5, 6. Da. 9. 24. Ro. 1. 3.

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known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard *it* wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But [e] Mary kept all these things, and pondered *them* in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21 And [h] when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called [i] JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22 And when [k] the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;

23 (As *it* is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)

24 And to offer a sacrifice according to [l] that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name *was* Simeon; and the same man *was* just and devout, [m] waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not [n] see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

27 And he came [o] by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,

28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

29 Lord, [p] now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:

30 For mine eyes [q] have seen thy salvation,

31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

32 A [r] light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

33 And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

34 And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this *child* is set for the [s] fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for [t] a sign which shall be spoken against;

35 (Yea, [u] a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

36 And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity;

37 And she *was* a widow of about fourscore and four years, which [v] departed not from the temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers [w] night and day.

38 And she coming in that instant [x] gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that [y] looked for redemption in † Jerusalem.

39 And when they had [z] performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

40 And [a] the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every [b] year at the feast of the passover.

42 And [c] when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.

43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not *of it*.

44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance.

45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.

46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.

47 And [d] all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.

49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about [e] my Father's business?

50 And [f] they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.

51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother [g] kept all these sayings in her heart.

52 And Jesus [h] increased in wisdom and [i] stature, and in favour with God and man.

CHAP. III.

NOW in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judæa, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituræa and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene,

2 [k] Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness.

3 And [l] he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance [m] for the remission of sins;

4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, [n] The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways *shall be* made smooth;

6 And [o] all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, [p] O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

8 Bring forth therefore [q] fruits † worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, [r] We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

9 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: [s] every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

10 And the people asked him, saying, What [t] shall we do then?

11 He answereth and saith unto them, [u] He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.

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a ch. 1. 66.
b Gen. 37. 11.
c Mat. 1. 21, 25.
d Lu. 12. 2. . 4, 5
e ch. 4. 22, 32. Mat. 7. 28. Mar. 1. 22. Joh. 7. 15, 46.
f Ex. 13. 2. 34. 19. Nu. 3. 13.
g Lu. 12. 5, 6, 8.
h Joh. 2. 16.
i ch. 9. 45. 18. 34.
k Is. 40. 1. Mar. 15. 43.
l ver. 19. Da. 7. 28.
m Ps. 69. 49.
n ch. 2. 11. 5.
o 1 Sa. 2. 26.
p Mat. 4. 1.
q or, *age*.
r Ge. 46. 30. Phi. 1. 23.
s ch. 2. 6.
t Is. 52. 10.
u Joh. 11. 49, 51. 18. 13. Ac. 4. 6.
v Is. 49. 2. 42. 6. 49. 6. 60. 1..3. Ac. 13. 47. 28. 28.
w Mat. 3. 1.
x ch. 1. 77.
y Is. 40. 3. Mat. 3. 3. Mar. 1. 3. Joh. 1. 23.
z Is. 8. 14. Ho. 14. 9. Ro. 9. 32, 33. 1 Co. 1. 23, 24. 2 Co. 2. 16. 1 Pe. 2. 7, 8.
a Ac. 28. 22.
b Joh. 19. 25.
c ch. 2. 10. Ps. 98. 2. Is. 52. 10.
d Mat. 3. 7.
e Is. 1. 16, 17. Eze. 18. 27 ..32. 2 Co. 7. 10, 11 Ga. 5. 22..24
† or, *meet for*.
f Ac. 26. 7. 1 Ti. 5. 5.
g Is. 45. 1, 2. Je. 7. 4..10. Joh. 8. 33. Ro. 9. 7.
h ch. 24. 21. Mar. 15. 43.
‡ or, *Israel*.
i Mat. 7. 19.
k ver. 53. ch. 1. 80.
l Ac. 2. 37.
m ch. 11. 41. 2 Co. 6. 14. Ja. 2. 15, 16. 1 Joh. 3. 17. 4. 20.
n Ex. 23. 15, 17 34. 23. De. 16. 1, 16.

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12 Then [a] came also publicans to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do?

13 And he said unto them, [b] Exact no more than that which is appointed you.

14 And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, [c] Do violence to no man, [d] neither accuse *any* falsely; and be content with your [†] wages.

15 And as the people were [‡] in expectation, and all men [§] mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;

16 John answered, saying unto *them* all, [e] I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: [h] he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:

17 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and [i] will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.

18 And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.

19 But [k] Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done,

20 Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.

21 Now when all the people were baptized, [l] it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,

22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.

23 And Jesus himself began to be about [m] thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) [j] the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,

24 Which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Janna, which was *the son* of Joseph,

25 Which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Amos, which was *the son* of Naum, which was *the son* of Esli, which was *the son* of Nagge,

26 Which was *the son* of Maath, which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Semei, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Juda,

27 Which was *the son* of Joanna, which was *the son* of Rhesa, which was *the son* of Zorobabel, which was *the son* of Salathiel, which was *the son* of Neri,

28 Which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Addi, which was *the son* of Cosam, which was *the son* of Elmodam, which was *the son* of Er,

29 Which was *the son* of Jose, which was *the son* of Eliezer, which was *the son* of Jorim, which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi,

30 Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim,

31 Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, which was *the son* of [f] Nathan, [g] which was *the son* of David,

32 Which [h] was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson,

A. D. 26.

[a] ch. 7. 29. Mat. 21. 32.
[b] ch. 19. 8.
[c] Ge. 11. 24, 26
[d] or, *Put no man in fear.*
[†] Ex. 23. 1. Le. 19. 11.
[‡] or, *allowance.*
[§] or, *in suspence.*
[e] or, *reasoned*, or, *debated.*
[h] Ge. 11. 12.
[f] Ge. 5. 6. &c. 11. 10. &c.
[g] Mat. 3. 11.
[h] Joel 2. 28, 29. Jno. 7. 38. 1 Co. 12. 13.
[i] Mt. 4. 12. Mat. 13. 30.
[j] Ge. 5. 1, 2.
[k] Mat. 14. 3. Mar. 6. 17.
[l] Is. 11. 2. 4. 61. 1. Mat. 4. 1, &c. Mar. 1. 12. &c. Ac. 10. 38.
[m] Ex. 34. 28. 1 Ki. 19. 8.
[n] Jno. 4. 6. He. 4. 15.
[o] Mat. 3. 13. Jno. 1. 32.
[p] De. 8. 3. Is. 9. 20. Ep. 6. 17.
[r] Nu. 4. 3, &c.
[s] Jno. 8. 44. 2 Co. 11. 14. Re. 12. 9.
[t] Mat. 13. 5. Jno. 6. 42.
[u] Jno. 12. 31. 14. 30. Re. 13. 2, 7.
[‖] or, *fall down before me.*
[v] De. 6. 13. 10. 20.
[x] Mat. 4. 5.
[y] Ps. 91. 11.
[z] De. 6. 16.
[a] Jno. 14. 30. He. 4. 15.
[b] Mat. 4. 12. Jno. 4. 43.
[c] Ac. 10. 37.
[d] Mat. 2. 23. 13. 54. Mar. 6. 1.
[e] Ac. 13. 14. 17. 2.
[f] Zec. 12. 12.
[g] 2 Sa. 5. 14. 1 Ch. 3. 5.
[h] Ru. 4. 18, &c. 1 Ch. 2. 10, &c.

33 Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which was *the son* of Juda,

34 Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, [c] which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor,

35 Which was *the son* of Saruch, which was *the son* of Ragau, which was *the son* of Phalec, which was *the son* of Heber, which was *the son* of Sala,

36 Which [c] was *the son* of Cainan, which was *the son* of Arphaxad, [f] which was *the son* of Sem, which was *the son* of Noe, which was *the son* of Lamech,

37 Which was *the son* of Mathusala, which was *the son* of Enoch, which was *the son* of Jared, which was *the son* of Maleleel, which was *the son* of Cainan,

38 Which was *the son* of Enos, which was *the son* of Seth, which was *the son* of Adam, [j] which was *the son* of God.

CHAP. IV.

AND [i] Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And [m] in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, [n] he afterward hungered.

3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.

4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, [p] That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

6 And the devil said unto him, [q] All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for [u] that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.

7 If thou therefore wilt ‖ worship me, all shall be thine.

8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for [v] it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

9 And [x] he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence:

10 For [y] it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:

11 And in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

12 And Jesus answering said unto him, [z] It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him [a] for a season.

14 ¶ And [b] Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into [c] Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

16 ¶ And he came to [d] Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, [e] he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

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18 The [a] Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath [b] anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

19 To preach [f] the acceptable year of the Lord.

20 And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And [g] the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21 And he began to say unto them, This day [i] is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

22 And all bare him witness, and [k] wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is [m] not this Joseph's son?

23 And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in [o] Capernaum, do also here [p] in thy country.

24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet [r] is accepted in his own country.

25 But I tell you of a truth, [s] many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

26 But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, *a city* of Sidon, unto a woman *that was* a widow.

27 And [v] many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,

29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the † brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.

30 But he [x] passing through the midst of them went his way,

31 And [b] came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.

32 And they were astonished at his doctrine: [c] for his word was with power.

33 ¶ And [d] in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice,

34 Saying, I Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, *thou* Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; [f] the Holy One of God.

35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not.

36 And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, [k] What a word *is this*! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.

37 And [h] the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.

38 ¶ And [m] he arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; [n] and they besought him for her.

39 And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them.

40 ¶ Now [r] when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them.

41 And [o] devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, [d] Thou art Christ the Son of God. And [p] he rebuking *them* suffered them not [o] to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.

42 And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought him, and came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them.

43 And he said unto them, [h] I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.

44 And [t] he preached in the synagogues of Galilee.

CHAP. V.

AND [u] it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,

2 And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing *their* nets.

3 And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

4 Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, [x] Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, [y] we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: [z] nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

6 And when they had this done, [y] they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

7 And they beckoned unto *their* partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.

8 When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, [a] Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:

10 And so *was* also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.

11 And when they had brought their ships to land, [c] they forsook all, and followed him.

12 ¶ And [f] it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on *his* face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

13 And he put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, [i] I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

14 And he charged him to tell no man: but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, [l] according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

15 But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: [o] and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

16 ¶ And [p] he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed.

17 And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pha-

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A. D. 31.

[a] Is. 11. 2..4. 61. 1.
[b] Ps. 2. 2, 6. Da. 9. 24. Jno. 1. 41. Ac. 10. 38.
[c] Mar. 1. 34. 3. 11.
[d] Ac.16.17,18.
[e] Mar.1.25,34
[f] or, *to say that they knew him to be Christ.*
[g] Le.25.8,&c. 2 Co. 6. 2.
[g] Ac. 3. 12.
[h] Jno. 9. 4. Ac. 10. 38. 2 Ti. 4. 2.
[i] Jno. 1. 45.
[k] ch. 2. 47. Ps. 45. 2. Mat. 13. 54. Mar. 6. 2.
[l] Mat. 13. 55.
[m] Jno. 6. 42.
[n] Mat. 4. 18, &c. Mar. 1. 16, &c.
[o] Mat. 4. 13. 11. 23.
[p] Mar. 6. 1.
[r] Mat. 13. 57. Mar. 6. 4. Jno. 4. 44.
[s] 1 Ki. 17. 9. 18. 1. Ja. 5. 17.
[t] Jno. 21. 6.
[u] Ps. 127. 1, 2.
[v] 2 Ki. 5. 14.
[x] 2 Ki. 5. 10.. 14. Jno. 2. 5. 15. 14.
[y] Ec. 11. 6. 1 Co. 15. 58. Ga. 6. 9.
† or, *edge.*
[x] Jno. 8. 59. 10. 39.
[a] 2 Sa. 6. 9. 1 Ki. 17. 18.
[b] Mat. 4. 13. Mar. 1. 21.
[c] Mat.6.28,29. Tit. 2. 15.
[d] Mar. 1. 23.
‡ or, *Away.*
[e] ch. 18. 28. Mat. 4. 20. 19. 27. Mar. 1. 18.
[f] ch. 1. 35. Ps. 16. 10. Da. 9. 24.
[g] Mat.8.2,&c. Mar. 1. 40, &c.
[h] Ac.19.11..17
[i] Ge. 1. 3, 9. Ps. 33. 9. Eze. 36. 29.
[k] Is. 52. 13.
[l] Le.14.4,&c.
[m] Mar. 1. 14.
[n] Mar. 1. 29.
[o] Ja. 5.14,15.
[o] Mat. 4. 25. Mar. 3. 7. Jno. 6. 2.
[p] Mat. 14. 23. Mar. 6. 46.
[r] Mat. 8. 16. Mar. 1. 32.

risees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judæa, and Jerusalem: [a] and the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them.

18 ¶ And, [b] behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay *him* before him.

19 And when they could not find by what *way* they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the house-top, and let him down through the tiling with *his* couch into the midst before Jesus.

20 And [c] when he saw their faith, he said unto him, [d] Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.

21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? [e] Who can forgive sins, but God alone?

22 But [m] when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts?

23 Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk?

24 But that ye may know that the Son of man [p] hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go unto thine house.

25 And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, [q] glorifying God.

26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to day.

27 ¶ And [r] after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me.

28 And he left all, rose up, and followed him.

29 And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and [n] there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.

30 But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?

31 And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

32 I [s] came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

33 ¶ And they said unto him, Why do the disciples of John fast often, and make prayers, and likewise *the disciples* of the Pharisees; but thine eat and drink?

34 And he said unto them, Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while [t] the bridegroom is with them?

35 But [f] the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

36 ¶ And [f] he spake also a parable unto them; No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was *taken* out of the new [i] agreeth not with the old.

37 And no man putteth new wine into old [l] bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish.

38 But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

39 No man also having drunk old *wine* straightway desireth new: for he saith, The old is better.

A. D. 31.

[a] Ac. 4. 30. 19. 11.
[b] Mat. 12. 1, &c. Mar. 2. 23. &c.
[c] Mat. 9. 2, &c Mar. 2. 5, &c.
[d] De. 23. 25.
[e] Ex. 20. 10.
[f] 1 Sa. 21. 6.
[g] Ge. 22. 12. Jno. 2. 25.
[h] Ja. 2. 18.
[k] Ps. 107. 17. 18 Is. 38. 17. Col. 3. 13.
[i] Le. 24. 9.
[k] Ps. 32. 5. Is. 43. 25.
[l] Re. 1. 10.
[m] Ps. 139. 2. Mat. 12. 25. He. 4. 12, 13.
[n] ch. 13. 14. 14. 3. Mar. 3. 1, &c. Jno. 9. 16.
[o] 1 Ki. 13. 4. Zec. 11. 17. Jno. 5. 3.
[p] Is. 53. 11. Mat. 28. 18. Jno. 5. 22, 23. 17. 2. 20. 22, 23. Ac. 5. 31.
[q] Ps. 37. 32, 33. 38. 12. Is. 29. 21. Je. 20. 10.
[r] Ps. 34. 8. 50. 23. 103. 1...3. Jno. 9. 24.
[s] Mat. 9. 9, &c. Mar. 2. 14. &c.
[n] Ps. 2. 1, 2. Ec. 9. 3. Ac. 7. 54.
[o] ch. 15. 1.
[m] Mat. 14. 23.
[p] Mat. 10. 1.
[q] Jno. 1. 42.
[s] 1 Co. 5. 9...11. 1 Ti. 1. 15. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[t] Jude 1.
[u] Mat. 4. 25. Mar. 3. 7.
[f] Is. 54. 5. 62. 5. Zep. 3. 17. 2 Co. 11. 2. Ep. 5. 25, &c.
[g] Jno. 12. 6. 13. 33. 14. 3, 4. Ac. 1. 9. 3. 21.
[f] Mat. 9. 15, 17 Mar. 2. 21, 22
[g] Mat. 14. 36.
[h] ch. 8. 46. Mar. 5. 30.
[i] De. 22. 11. 2 Co. 6. 16.
[k] Mat. 5. 3, &c. 11. 5. Ja. 2. 5.
[l] Ps. 119. 83.
[m] Is. 55. 1. 65. 13.
[n] Is. 61. 3.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 19. 3. 14.
[p] Jno. 16. 2.

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AND [k] it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first that he went through the corn fields; [d] and his disciples plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing *them* in *their* hands.

2 And certain of the Pharisees said unto them, Why do ye that [e] which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days?

3 And Jesus answering them said, Have ye not read so much as this, [f] what David did, when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;

4 How he went into the house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and gave also to them that were with him; [i] which it is not lawful to eat but for the priests alone?

5 And he said unto them, That [l] the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

6 And [m] it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose [o] right hand was withered.

7 And the scribes and Pharisees watched [r] him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him.

8 But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.

9 Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy *it*?

10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

11 And [u] they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.

12 And [s] it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

13 ¶ And when it was day, he called *unto him* his disciples: [p] and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;

14 Simon, (to whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,

15 Matthew and Thomas, James the *son* of Alphæus, and Simon called Zelotes,

16 And Judas [b] *the brother* of James, and Judas Iscariot, which also was the traitor.

17 ¶ And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, [u] and a great multitude of people out of all Judæa and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;

18 And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed.

19 And the whole multitude [g] sought to touch him: for [h] there went virtue out of him, and healed *them* all.

20 ¶ And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, [k] Blessed *be ye* poor: for your's is the kingdom of God.

21 Blessed [m] *are ye* that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. [n] Blessed *are ye* that weep now: for ye shall laugh.

22 Blessed [o] are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they [p] shall separate you *from their company*, and shall re-

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preach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

23 Rejoice [a] ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in heaven: for [b] in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.

24 But [c] woe unto you / that are rich! for [d] ye have received your consolation.

25 Woe [e] unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. [f] Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

26 Woe [g] unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

27 ¶ But [h] I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

28 Bless them that curse you, and [i] pray for them which despitefully use you.

29 And unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other; [k] and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not *to take thy* coat also.

30 Give [l] to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask *them* not again.

31 And [m] as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

32 For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.

33 And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same.

34 And if ye lend *to them* of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.

35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and [n] lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and *to* the evil.

36 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

37 Judge[o] not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

38 Give, [p] and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your [q] bosom. For / with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

39 And he spake a parable unto them, [r] Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?

40 The [s] disciple is not above his master: but every one [t] that is perfect shall be as his master.

41 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

42 Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, [u] cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

43 For [v] a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

44 For [w] every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they §grapes.

45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

46 ¶ And [x] why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

47 Whosoever [y] cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:

48 He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, [z] and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, [a] the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and [b] could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

49 But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

CHAP. VII.

NOW when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, [c] he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who [d] was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, [e] beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this:

5 For [f] he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: [g] for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof:

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but [h] say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto [i] one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*.

9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

11 ¶ And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people.

12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her.

13 And when the Lord saw her, [k] he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

14 And he came and touched the ‡bier: and they that bare *him* stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, [l] Arise.

15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

16 And [m] there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, [n] That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, [o] That God hath visited his people.

[a] Ac. 5. 41. Col. 1. 24. Ja. 1. 2.
[b] ch. 13. 28. Mal. 1. 6. Mat. 7. 21. 25. 11.
[c] Ac. 7. 51.
[d] Mat. 7. 24.
[e] Am. 6. 1. Ja. 5. 1.
[f] ch. 19. 21.
[g] ch. 16. 25. Mat. 5. 2, 5, 16.
[h] Is. 65. 13.
[i] Pr. 14. 13.
[k] Pr. 10. 22. Is. 29. 16. 2 Th. 2. 19.
[l] Jno. 15. 19. 1 Jno. 4. 5.
[m] Jno. 16. 33. Ac. 14. 22. Ro. 8. 35. 39. 1 Co. 15. 55., 58.
[n] 2 Pe. 1. 10. Jude 24.
[o] Ex. 23. 4. Pr. 25. 21. Ro. 12. 20.
[p] ch. 23. 34. Ac. 7. 60.
[q] 1 Co. 6. 7.
[r] Mat. 6. 5, &c.
[s] De. 15. 7, 8, 10 Pr. 21. 26.
[t] 2 Ki. 5. 1, &c. Job 31. 15. Ac. 10. 7. Col. 4. 1.
[u] Mat. 7. 12.
[x] Jno. 4. 47.
[y] 1 Ki. 5. 1. Ga. 5. 6. 1 Jno. 3. 14.
[z] Ps. 37. 26.
[a] Pr. 29. 23.
[b] Ps. 107. 30.
[c] Mat. 7. 1, &c.
[d] *this man.*
[e] Pr. 19. 17.
[f] Ps. 79. 12.
[g] Mar. 4. 24. Ja. 2. 13.
[h] Mat. 15. 14.
[i] Mat. 10. 24. Jno. 13. 16. 15. 20.
[k] or, *shall be perfected as his master.*
[l] Pr. 18. 17.
[m] He. 2. 17. 4. 15.
‡ or, *coffin.*
[n] Mat. 7. 16, 17.
[o] ch. 8. 54. Jno. 11. 43. Ac. 9. 40. Ro. 4. 17.
[p] Mat. 12. 33 ..35.
§ *a grape.*
[q] ch. 1. 65.
[r] ch. 24. 19. Jno. 4. 19. 6. 14. 9. 17.
[s] ch. 1. 68. Ex. 4. 31. Ps. 106. 4, 5.

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17 And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about.

18 And [a] the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.

19 ¶ And John calling *unto him* two of his disciples sent *them* to Jesus, saying, Art thou [b] he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

21 And in the same hour he cured many of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight.

22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; [c] how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, [d] to the poor the gospel is preached.

23 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be [e] offended in me.

24 ¶ And [f] when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind?

25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.

26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, [g] and much more than a prophet.

27 This is *he*, of whom it is written, [h] Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

29 And all the people that heard *him*, and the publicans, justified God, [m] being baptized with the baptism of John.

30 But the Pharisees and lawyers [†] rejected [n] the counsel of God [‡] against themselves, being not baptized of him.

31 ¶ And the Lord said, [p] Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like?

32 They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept.

33 For [s] John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil.

34 The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!

35 But [t] wisdom is justified of all her children.

36 ¶ And [u] one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which [v] was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

38 And stood at his feet behind *him* [w] weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe *them* with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed *them* with the ointment.

39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw *it*, [x] he spake within himself, saying, [y] This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this is* that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.

40 And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

41 There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: [z] the one owed five hundred [a] pence, and the other fifty.

42 And when they had nothing to pay, [b] he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?

43 Simon answered and said, [c] I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My [d] head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

47 Wherefore [e] I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.

48 And he said unto her, [f] Thy sins are forgiven.

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

50 And he said to the woman, [g] Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

CHAP. VIII.

AND it came to pass afterward, that [h] he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve *were* with him,

2 And [i] certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, [k] out of whom went seven devils,

3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

4 ¶ And [l] when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:

5 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.

6 And some fell upon [m] a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.

7 And some fell among [n] thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.

8 And other fell on [o] good ground, and sprang up, [p] and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

9 And [q] his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?

10 And he said, [r] Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; [s] that

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[a] Mat. 11. 2, &c.
[b] Is. 65. 5.
[c] ch. 15. 2.
[d] Ge. 49. 10. Nu. 24. 17. Da. 9. 24. Zec. 9. 9. Jno. 6. 14.
[e] Ro. 5. 20. 1 Ti. 1. 15, 16.
[f] See Mat. 18. 28.
[g] Ps. 32. 1..5. 103. 3. Ac. 13. 38, 39. Ro. 3. 24. 4. 5..8.
[h] 2 Co. 5. 14, 15.
[i] Is. 35. 5. 42. 7. Jno. 2. 23. 3. 2. 10. 25. 14. 11.
[k] ch. 4. 18.
[l] Mat. 13. 57. 24. 10. 26. 31. 1 Co. 1. 23. 2. 14.
[m] Mat. 11. 7.
[n] Ps. 33. 8.
[o] 1 Ti. 1. 14.
[p] ch. 1. 76. 7. 28.
[q] Mat. 9. 2, &c. Mar. 2. 5, &c.
[r] Mal. 3. 1. Mar. 1. 2.
[s] Mat. 9. 23. Mar. 5. 34.
[t] Ac. 10. 38.
[u] ch. 3. 12. Mat. 3. 5.
[†] or, *frustrated.*
[v] Ac. 20. 27.
[‡] or, *within themselves.*
[x] Mat. 27. 55, 56.
[y] Mat. 11. 16.
[z] Mar. 16. 9.
[a] Mat. 13. 2, &c.
[b] ch. 1. 15. Mat. 3. 4. Mar. 1. 6.
[c] Eze. 11. 19. 36. 26. Zec. 7. 12.
[d] Mat. 11. 19.
[e] Mar. 26. 6, &c. Mar. 14. 3, &c. Jno. 11. 2. 12. 3, &c.
[f] Jo. 4. 3, 4.
[g] Ro. 7. 18.
[h] Jno. 15. 8. Ga. 5. 22, 23. Phi. 1. 11.
[i] Ro. 5. 8. 1 Ti. 1. 9, 15.
[k] Mar. 4. 10, &c.
[l] 1 Co. 2. 10. 1 Jno. 2. 27.
[m] Is. 61. 3. Mat. 5. 4. 2 Co. 7. 10, 11. Ja. 4. 9, 10.
[n] Is. 6. 9.

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seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

11 Now [a] the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

12 Those by the way side are they that hear; [b] then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, [c] lest they should believe and be saved.

13 They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, [d] receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall [e] away.

14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, [f] and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, [h] and bring forth fruit with patience.

16 ¶ No [i] man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth *it* under a bed; but setteth *it* on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.

17 For [m] nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither *any thing* hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.

18 Take heed therefore how ye hear: for [o] whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he [p] seemeth to have.

19 ¶ Then [r] came to him *his* mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press.

20 And it was told him *by certain* which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to see thee.

21 And he answered and said unto them, My mother and my brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it.

22 ¶ Now [u] it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth.

23 But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled *with water*, and were in jeopardy.

24 And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm.

25 And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, [y] What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.

26 ¶ And [z] they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes which is over against Galilee.

27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in *any* house, but in the tombs.

28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of God most high? I beseech thee, [c] torment me not.

29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.

32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them.

33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.

34 When they that fed *them* saw what was done, they fled, and went and told *it* in the city and in the country.

35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, [c] and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

36 They also which saw *it* told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed.

37 ¶ Then [f] the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about [g] besought him to depart from them; for they were taken with great fear: and he went up into the ship and returned back again.

38 Now [p] the man out of whom the devils were departed besought him that he might be with him: but Jesus sent him away, saying,

39 Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, [q] and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him.

40 And it came to pass, that, when Jesus was returned, the people *gladly* received him: [t] for they were all waiting for him.

41 ¶ And, [v] behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:

42 For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him.

43 ¶ And [x] a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any,

44 Came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanched.

45 And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

46 And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that [a] virtue is gone out of me.

47 And [b] when the woman saw that she was not hid, [c] she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately.

48 And he said unto her, [d] Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

49 ¶ While [f] he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's *house*, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; [g] trouble not the Master.

[a] Mat. 13. 18, &c. Mar. 4. 14, &c.
[b] 1 Jno. 2. 13, 14. 3. 12. Re. 20. 2.
[c] Ac. 28. 27.
[d] Ro. 10. 3.
[e] 2 Ch. 24. 2, 17, &c. Ezr. 33. 31, 32. Ac. 8. 13.
[f] 2 Ti. 1. 15.
[g] 1 Ti. 6. 9, 10. 2 Pe. 2. 14, 15. 1 Jno. 2. 15, 16.
[h] Ps. 1. 1...3. 92. 13...15. Phi. 4. 1. Col. 1. 6, 10. He. 6. 7-13. 15, 16.
[i] Ps. 51. 10. Ro. 12. 2. Ep. 4. 22...24. Col. 3. 9, 10.
[k] ch. 11. 33. Mat. 5. 15. Mar. 4. 21...25.
[l] Mat. 6. 34.
[m] ch. 12. 2. Mat. 10. 26.
[n] De. 5. 25. 1 Ki. 17. 18. Ac. 16. 39.
[o] ch. 19. 26. Mat. 13. 12. 25. 29.
[p] Mar. 5. 18...21.
[o] *or, thinketh that he hath.*
[r] Mat. 12. 46...50. Mar. 3. 31...35.
[s] De. 10. 21. Ps. 66. 16. 126. 2, 3. Jno. 4. 29.
[t] Pr. 8. 34. Ac. 10. 33.
[u] Mat. 8. 23...27. Mar. 4. 35...41.
[y] Mat. 9. 18, 19 Mar. 5. 22.
[z] Mat. 9. 20...22.
[y] Ge. 1. 9, 10. Pr. 8. 29. 30. 4.
[z] Mat. 8. 28...33. Mar. 5. 1, &c.
[a] ch. 6. 19. Mar. 5. 30.
[b] Ps. 38. 9. Je. 31. 18. Ho. 5. 3.
[c] Is. 66. 5. 2 Co. 7. 15. Phi. 2. 12. He. 12. 28.
[d] 2 Co. 6. 18.
[e] Ja. 2. 19. 2 Pe. 2. 4. 1 Jno. 3. 8.
[f] Mar. 5. 35, &c.
[g] Is. 7. 12. Jno. 4. 34.

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50 But when Jesus heard *it*, he answered him, saying, Fear not: [a] believe only, and she shall be made whole.

51 And when he came into the house, he [a] suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.

52 And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, [c] but sleepeth.

53 And [f] they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

54 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, [h] arise.

55 And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat.

56 And her parents were astonished: but [i] he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.

CHAP. IX.

THEN [m] he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

2 And [o] he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.

3 And [p] he said unto them, Take nothing for *your* journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

4 And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.

5 And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, [s] shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.

6 And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the gospel, and healing every where.

7 ¶ Now [v] Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed, because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead;

8 And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.

9 And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? [y] And he desired to see him.

10 ¶ And [z] the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. [a] And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.

11 And the people, when they knew *it*, followed him: [c] and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and [d] healed them that had need of healing.

12 And [f] when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place.

13 But he said unto them, [g] Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.

14 For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company.

15 And they did so, and made them all sit down.

16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.

17 And they did eat, and were all filled:

A. D. 31.

[a] Jno. 11. 25, 40. Ro. 4. 20.
[b] Mat. 16. 13, &c. Mar. 8. 27, &c.
[c] 2 Ki. 4. 33, 36. Is. 42. 2. Ac. 9. 40.
[d] ver. 7, 8. Mat. 14. 2.
[e] Jno. 11. 11, 13.
[f] Job 12. 4. 17. 2. Ps. 22. 7.
[g] Jno. 6. 69. Ac. 8. 37. 1 Jno. 5. 1.
[h] ch. 7. 14. Jno. 11. 43. Ro. 4. 17.
[i] Mat. 17. 22. Ac. 4. 25, 28. 13. 27, 29. 1 Co. 15. 3, 4. 1 Pe. 1. 11.
[k] ch. 14. 27. Mat. 10. 38.
[l] Mat. 8. 4. 9. 30. Mar. 5. 43.
[m] Mat. 10. 1, &c. Mar. 3. 13, &c. 6. 7, &c.
[n] Mat. 16. 26. Ac. 1. 25. 2 Pe. 2. 15, 17.
[o] ch. 10. 1, 9.
[p] ch. 10. 4. 22. 35.
[r] 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[s] Ac. 13. 51.
[t] Mat. 17. 1, &c. Mar. 9. 2, &c.
[u] or, *things*.
[w] He. 5. 7.
[x] Mat. 14. 1, &c.
[y] 1 Sa. 26. 12. Da. 8. 18. 10. 9.
[z] ch. 23. 8.
[a] Mar. 6. 30, &c.
[c] Mat. 14. 13.
[d] Ps. 4. 6, 7. 27. 4. 63. 2, 5. Jno. 14. 8. 2 Co. 4. 6.
[e] Is. 61. 1.
[f] Jno. 6. 37.
[g] Ex. 40. 34, 38. Ps. 18. 9, 11. Is. 19. 1.
[e] He. 4. 16.
[f] Re. 1. 17.
[g] Mat. 14. 15. Jno. 6. 1, 5.
[h] Mat. 3. 17.
[i] De. 18 18, 19 Is. 55. 3, 4. Ac. 3. 22. He. 2. 3. 3. 7, &c.
[k] Mat. 17. 9.
[l] 2 Ki. 4. 42.
[m] Mat. 17. 14, &c. Mar. 9. 14, 17, &c.

and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets.

18 ¶ And [k] it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?

19 They answering said, [l] John the Baptist; but some *say*, Elias; and others *say*, that one of the old prophets is risen again.

20 He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, [g] The Christ of God.

21 And he straitly charged them, and commanded *them* to tell no man that thing;

22 Saying, [i] The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

23 ¶ And [k] he said to *them* all, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

24 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it.

25 For [n] what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away?

26 For [r] whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and *in his* Father's, and of the holy angels.

27 But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God.

28 ¶ And [t] it came to pass about an eight days after these [u] sayings, he took Peter and John and James, [w] and went up into a mountain to pray.

29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment *was* white *and* glistering.

30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:

31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

32 But Peter and they that were with him [x] were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.

33 And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, [b] it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.

34 While he thus spake, [d] there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: [e] and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

35 And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, [h] This is my beloved Son: [i] hear him.

36 And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. [k] And they kept *it* close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.

37 ¶ And [m] it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met him.

38 And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child.

39 And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him.

40 And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not.

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41 And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.

42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare *him*. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father.

43 ¶ And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples,

44 Let / these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.

45 But [h] they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not: and [h] they feared to ask him of that saying.

46 ¶ Then there arose a reasoning among them, [i] which of them should be greatest.

47 And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,

48 And said unto them, [k] Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: [l] for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.

49 ¶ And [m] John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him, because he followeth not with us.

50 And Jesus said unto him, Forbid *him* not: for [n] he that is not against us is for us.

51 ¶ And it came to pass, when the time was come that [o] he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,

52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

53 And [p] they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.

54 And when his disciples James and John saw *this*, [q] they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as [r] Elias did?

55 But he turned, [s] and rebuked them, and said, [t] Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

56 For [u] the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save *them*. And they went to another village.

57 ¶ And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain *man* said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.

59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

60 Jesus said unto him, [x] Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, Lord, [y] I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, [z] and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

CHAP. X.

AFTER these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and [a] sent them two and two before his face into every city and

A. D. 32.

[a] Mat. 9. 37, 38. Joh. 4. 35.
[b] 2 Th. 3. 1.
[c] Mat. 10. 16.
[d] ch. 3. 3.
[e] 2 Ki. 4. 29.
[f] Mat. 17. 22.
[g] 1 Co. 10. 27.
[h] ch. 2. 50. 18. 34. Mar. 9. 32.
[i] 1 Co. 9. 4, &c. 1 Ti. 5. 18.
[k] Joh. 4. 27. 16. 19.
[l] Mat. 18. 1, &c. Mar. 9. 34, &c.
[m] ch. 9. 2.
[n] Mat. 3. 2.
[o] Mat. 10. 40. Joh. 12. 44. 13. 20.
[p] Mat. 23. 11, 12.
[q] ch. 9. 5. Ac. 13. 51. 18. 6.
[r] Nu. 11. 28.
[s] ch. 11. 23. Mat. 12. 20.
[t] Mat. 11. 21, ..24.
[u] Mar. 16. 19. Ac. 1. 2.
[x] Eze. 3. 6.
[y] Joh. 4. 4, 9.
[z] Ge. 11. 4. De. 1. 28. Is. 14. 13. Je. 51. 53.
[a] Eze. 26. 20. 32. 18.
[b] Ja. 1. 8.
[c] Mat. 10. 40. Mar. 9. 37. Joh. 13. 20.
[d] 1 Th. 4. 8.
[e] 2Ki. 1.10,12.
[f] Joh. 5. 23.
[g] Pr. 9. 8.
[h] Ja. 17. 9. Ja. 3. 10. 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[i] Joh. 3. 17. 12. 47. 1 Joh. 4. 14.
[k] Joh. 12. 31. 16. 11. Re. 12. 8, 9.
[l] Mar. 16. 18. Ac. 28. 5.
[m] Ex. 32. 32. Ps. 69. 28. Is. 4. 3. Da. 12. 1. Phi. 4. 3. He. 12. 23. Re. 21. 27.
[n] Mat. 11. 25.
[o] ch. 15. 32. Re. 3. 1.
[p] 1 Ki. 19. 20.
[q] Many ancient copies add these words, *And turning to his disciples, he said,*
[r] Mat. 13. 16. Joh. 3. 35. 5. 27.
[s] Joh. 1. 18.
[t] 2 Ti. 4. 10.
[u] Mar. 6.7, &c.
[x] 1 Pe. 1. 10.

place, whither he himself would come.

2 Therefore said he unto them, [a] The harvest truly is great, but the labourers *are few*: [b] pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

3 Go your ways: [c] behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.

4 Carry [d] neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and [e] salute no man by the way.

5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace *be* to this house.

6 And [f] if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

7 And in the same house remain, [g] eating and drinking such things as they give: for [i] the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.

8 And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:

9 And [m] heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, [n] The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

10 But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say,

11 Even [r] the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

12 But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city.

13 Woe [u] unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! [x] for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

14 But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.

15 And thou, Capernaum, which art [y] exalted to heaven, [z] shalt be thrust down to hell.

16 He [a] that heareth you heareth me; and [b] he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that / despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.

17 ¶ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

18 And he said unto them, [c] I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

19 Behold, [d] I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because [e] your names are written in heaven.

21 ¶ In [f] that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

22 [g] All [r] things are delivered to me of my Father: and [i] no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will reveal *him*.

23 ¶ And he turned him unto *his* disciples, and said privately, Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things that ye see:

24 For I tell you, [y] that many prophets

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and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

25 ¶ And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, [c] Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

27 And he answering said, [d]Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and [e] thy neighbour as thyself.

28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and [f]thou shalt live.

29 But he, willing to [g] justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?

30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.

31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, [h] he passed by on the other side.

32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and passed by on the other side.

33 But a certain [i] Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion *on him*,

34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two [k] pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

38 ¶ Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named [l] Martha received him into her house.

39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also [m]sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:

42 But [n] one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

CHAP. XI.

AND it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, [o]Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

3 Give us [p] day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into [q]temptation; but deliver us from evil.

A. D. 32.

[a] or, *out of his way.*
[c] Exe. 33. 31 ...33. Mat. 19. 16. 22. 35.
[d] De. 6. 5. He. 8. 10.
[e] Le. 19. 18. Ro. 13. 9. Ja. 2. 8, 9. 1 Jno. 3. 17 ...19.
[f] ch. 18. 1, &c. Ro. 15. 30.
[g] Le. 18. 5. Ne. 9. 29. Eze. 20. 11, 13, 21. Ro. 10. 5.
[h] Mat. 7. 7...11. 21. 22. Mar. 11. 24. Jno. 15. 7. Ja. 1. 6. 1 Jno. 3. 22.
[i] ch. 16. 15. Pr. 21. 3.
[k] Ps. 38. 11.
[l] *give.*
[m] Jno. 4. 9.
[n] Mat. 9. 32, &c. 12. 22, &c.
[o] *Beelzebul,* and so ver. 18, 19.
[p] *The Roman penny is the eighth part of an ounce, which after five shillings the ounce is sevenpence halfpenny.*
[q] Mat. 12 36. 16. 1.
[r] Jno. 2. 25.
[s] Mar. 3. 24. 27.
[t] Jno. 11. 1. 12. 2, 3.
[u] Job 15. 6. Ro. 3. 19.
[v] Ex. 8. 19.
[w] Ac. 22. 3. 1 Co. 7. 32, &c.
[x] Da. 2. 44.
[y] Is. 53. 12. Col. 2. 15. 1 Jno. 3. 8. 4. 4. Re. 20. 1...3.
[z] Mat. 12. 30.
[a] Ps. 27. 4. Jno. 17. 3. Ga. 5. 6. Col. 2. 10.. 14. 1 Jno. 5. 11, 12.
[b] Mat. 12. 43 ...45.
[c] Pr. 4. 16. Is. 49. 22. 57. 20, 21.
[d] Mat. 6. 9...13
[e] Jno. 5. 14. He. 6. 4. 10. 26. 2 Pe. 2. 20.
[f] or, *for the day.*
[g] ch. 1. 28, 48.

5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

6 For a friend of mine [a] in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, [d] yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

9 And [f] I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if *he ask* a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he [h] offer him a scorpion?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

14 ¶ And [k] he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.

15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through [l] Beelzebub the chief of the devils.

16 And others, tempting *him*, [t] sought of him a sign from heaven.

17 But [u] he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, [v] Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.

18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.

19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? therefore [p] shall they be your judges.

20 But if I [r] with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt [s] the kingdom of God is come upon you.

21 When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:

22 But [w] when a stronger than he shall come upon him and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.

23 He [x] that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.

24 When [y] the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; [z] and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

25 And when he cometh, he findeth *it* swept and garnished.

26 Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and [b] the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.

27 ¶ And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, [c] Blessed *is* the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.

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28 But he said, Yea [a] rather, blessed *are* they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

29 ¶ And [b] when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, [c] This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.

30 For [as] Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.

31 The [d] queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.

32 The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they [e] repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.

33 No [f] man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth *it* in a secret place, neither under a [g]bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.

34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; [h] but when *thine eye* is evil, thy body also *is* full of darkness.

35 Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.

36 If thy whole body therefore *be* full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when [i] the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

37 ¶ And as he spake, a certain Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat.

38 And [r] when the Pharisee saw *it*, he marvelled that he had not first washed before dinner.

39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; but [s] your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.

40 *Ye* fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within also?

41 But [t] rather give alms [§] of such things as ye have; and, behold, [u] all things are clean unto you.

42 But [v] woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, [w] and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

43 Woe [x] unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.

44 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! [y] for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware *of them*.

45 ¶ Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him, Master, thus saying thou reproachest us also.

46 And he said, Woe unto you also, *ye* lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.

47 Woe unto you! for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.

48 Truly [z] ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and ye build their sepulchres.

49 Therefore also said [a] the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and *some* of them they shall slay and persecute:

50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation;

51 From [d] the blood of Abel unto [e] the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation.

52 Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye [f] hindered.

53 And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge *him* vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:

54 Laying wait for him, and [i] seeking to catch something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him.

CHAP. XII.

IN [k] the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

2 For [m] there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

3 Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

4 And [o] I say unto you [p] my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

6 Are not five sparrows sold for two [§] farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

7 But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: [r] ye are of more value than many sparrows.

8 Also [s] I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

10 And [t] whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

11 And [d] when they bring you unto the synagogues, and *unto* magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:

12 For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

13 ¶ And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

14 And he said unto him, [v] Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

15 And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

16 And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

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a ch. 9. 21. Mat. 7. 21. Ja. 1. 22. 1 Jno. 3. 21 24.
b Mat. 12. 38. &c.
c Mat. 3. 7. 27. 24, 25. Jno. 8. 44. Ac. 7. 51, 52.
d Ge. 4. 8.
e 2 Ch. 24. 20, 21.
f Jon. 1. 17. 2. 10.
g 1 Ki. 10. 1.
* or, *forbad*.
h Jon. 3. 5.
i Ps. 5. 5, 6. Mar. 12. 13.
j ch. 8. 16. Mat. 5. 15. Mar. 4. 21.
† See Mat. 5. 15.
k Mat. 16. 6, &c. Mar. 8. 15, &c.
l Mat. 6. 22.
m Ps. 81. 12. Pr. 28. 22. Je. 5. 21. Ro. 11. 8, 10. 2 Co. 4. 4.
n ch. 8. 17. Ec. 12. 14. Mat. 10. 26. Mar. 4. 22.
‡ *a candle by its bright shining.*
o Is. 51. 7, 8, 12, 13. Je. 1. 8. Mat. 10. 28.
p Jno. 15. 14, 15.
r Mar. 7. 3.
s Pr. 26. 25. 30. 12. Je. 4. 14.
§ See Mat. 10. 29.
t ch. 12. 33. Is. 58. 7. Da. 4. 27.
‖ or, *as you are able*.
u Ps. 8. 6. Is. 43. 3, 4. Zep. 3. 17.
v Tit. 1. 15.
w Mar. 8. 38. 2 Ti. 2. 12. 1 Jno. 2. 23.
x Mat. 23. 23, &c.
y 1 Sa. 15. 22. Pr. 21. 3. Mat. 2 11, 12.
z Mat. 23. 6. Mar. 12. 38, 39.
a Mat. 12. 31, 32. Mar. 3. 28. 1 Jno. 5. 16.
b Ps. 5. 9.
c ch. 21. 14. Mar. 13. 11.
d Jno. 18. 36.
e Col. 3. 5. 1 Ti. 6. 7, &c.
f Job 15. 6.
g Pr. VIII. 1 Co. 1. 30.

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17 And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?

18 And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

19 And I will say to my soul, [e] Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry.

20 But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night [o] thy [d] soul shall be required of thee: [p] then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

21 So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, [f] and is not rich toward God.

22 ¶ And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, [g] Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

23 The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment.

24 Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and [h] God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?

25 And [i] which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, [m] why take ye thought for the rest?

27 Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

28 If then God so clothe the grass, which [n] is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, [§] neither be ye of doubtful mind.

30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

31 ¶ But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

32 Fear not, little flock; for [r] it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

33 Sell [s] that ye have, and give alms; [u] provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.

34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

35 Let [x] your loins be girded about, and *your* [y] lights burning;

36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.

37 Blessed [z] *are* those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

38 And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

39 And [a] this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

40 Be [c] ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

41 ¶ Then Peter said unto him, Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?

42 And the Lord said, [b] Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his houshold, to give *them their* portion of meat in due season?

43 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

44 Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath.

45 But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;

46 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will † cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

47 And [i] that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*.

48 But [l] he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

49 ¶ I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?

50 But [t] I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I ‡ straitened till it be accomplished!

51 Suppose [v] ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; [w] but rather division:

52 For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.

53 The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

54 ¶ And he said also to the people, [v] When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway ye say, There cometh a shower; and so it is.

55 And when *ye see* the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.

56 *Ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; [z] but how is it that ye do not discern this time?

57 Yea, [a] and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?

58 ¶ When [b] thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, [c] *as thou art* in the way, give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison.

59 I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last ‖ mite.

CHAP. XIII.

THERE were present at that season some that told him of the Galilæans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

2 And Jesus answering said unto them,

A. D. 33.

[e] ch. 21. 34, 36. Mat. 24. 44. 25. 13. Mar. 13. 33. 1 Th. 5. 6.
[o] Mat. 25. 21. 1 Co. 4. 5.
[f] Ec. 11. 9. 1 Co. 15. 32. Ja. 5. 5.
[p] or, *do they require thy soul.*
[d] Job 20. 22. 27. 8. Ps. 52. 7. Je. 4. 14.
[g] Ps. 39. 6. Je. 17. 11.
[f] ver. 33. Mat. 6. 20. 1 Ti. 6. 18, 19. Ja. 5. 5.
[g] Mat. 6. 25, &c.
† or, *cut him off.* Mat. 24. 51.
[h] Job 38. 41. Ps. 147. 9.
[i] Nu. 15. 30. De. 28. 2. Jno. 9. 41. 15. 22. Ac. 17. 30. Ja. 4. 17.
[k] Ec. 7. 13.
[l] Le. 5. 17. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[m] 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[n] Is. 40. 6. Ja. 1. 10, 11.
[o] Mat. 20. 22. Mar. 10. 38.
‡ or, *pained.*
[p] Mat. 10. 34 ..36.
§ or, *live not in careful suspense.*
[r] Mt. 7. 6. Jno. 7. 43. 9. 16. 10. 19.
[s] Mat. 11. 25, 26.
[t] Mat. 19. 21. Ac. 2. 45. 4. 34.
[u] ch. 16. 9. Mat. 6. 20.
[v] Mat. 16. 2.
[x] Ep. 6. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 13.
[y] Mat. 25. 1, &c.
[z] Da. 9. 24, 25. Hag. 2. 7. Mal. 3. 1. 4. 2. Ac. 3. 24...26.
[a] De. 32. 29. Ac. 2. 40. 13. 26, 38.
[b] Pr. 25. 8. Mat. 5. 25.
[c] Ps. 32. 6. Pr. 13. 4. Is. 55. 6. 2 Co. 6. 2. He. 3. 7...13.
[d] Mat. 24. 46.
‖ See Mar. 12. 42.
[e] 2 Pe. 3. 10. Re. 3. 3. 16. 15.

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[a] Suppose ye that these Galilæans were sinners above all the Galilæans, because they suffered such things?

3 I tell you, Nay: [d] but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

4 Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were [e] sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?

5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

6 ¶ He spake also this parable; [h] A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; [i] and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.

7 Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, [f] Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: [m]cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?

8 And he answering said unto him, Lord, [e] let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung *it:*

9 And if it bear fruit, *well:* and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down.

10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

11 ¶ And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself.*

12 And when Jesus saw her, he called *her to him*, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

13 And [r] he laid *his* hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

14 And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, [s] There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and [v] not on the sabbath day.

15 The Lord then answered him, and said, *Thou* hypocrite, [p] doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or *his* ass from the stall, and lead *him* away to watering?

16 And ought not this woman, [q] being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

17 And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

18 ¶ Then [t] said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?

19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.

20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?

21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three [t] measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

22 And [s] he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

23 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,

24 ¶ Strive [i] to enter in at the strait gate: for [k] many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

25 When [m]once the master of the house

A. D. 33.

[a] Jno. 9. 2. Ac. 28. 4.
[b] Mat. 25. 10.
[c] ch. 6. 46.
[d] Re. 2. 21, 22.
[e] Mat. 25. 12.
[e] or, *desisteth.* ch. 11. 4. Mat. 18. 24.
[f] Mat. 7. 23.
[g] Ps. 6. 8. Mat. 25. 41.
[h] Ps. 80. 8..16.
[i] Mat. 6. 12. 13. 42. 24. 51.
[k] Is. 5. 2. Mat. 21. 19.
[l] Jno. 15. 2, 16. Ga. 5. 22, 23.
[m] Ex. 32. 10. Da. 4. 14. Ro. 2. 4, 5.
[n] Mat. 12. 30. 20. 16. Mar. 10. 31.
[o] Ps. 105. 23. Je. 15. 1. Joel 2. 17. Ro. 10. 1. 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[p] He. 2. 10.
[r] Mar. 16. 18. Ac. 9. 17.
[s] Mat. 23. 37.
[t] Ex. 20. 9.
[u] Le. 26. 31, 32. Ps. 69. 25. Is. 1. 7. Da. 9. 27. Mi. 3. 12.
[v] ch. 6. 7. 14. 3. Mat. 12. 10. Mar. 3. 2.
[w] ch. 19. 38. Ps. 118. 26. Mat. 21. 9. Mar. 11. 10. Jno. 12. 13.
[x] ch. 14. 5.
[y] ch. 19. 9.
[z] Ps. 37. 20, 33. 64. 5, 6. Is. 29. 21.
[a] Mar. 12. 10.
[b] Mat. 13. 31, 32. Mar. 4. 30, 32.
[c] ch. 13. 15. Ex. 23. 5. De. 22. 4.
[d] Ac. 6. 10.
[e] Phi. 2. 3. 3 Jno. 9.
[f] See Mat. 13. 33.
[g] Mat. 9. 35. Mar. 6. 6.
[h] Es. 6. 6..12. Pr. 3. 35. 11. 2. Ese. 28. 2, 10.
[i] Mat. 7. 13.
[k] Jno. 7. 34. 8. 21. 13. 33. Ro. 9. 31.
[l] Pr. 25. 6, 7.
[m] Ps. 32. 6. Is. 55. 6.

is risen up, and [h] hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, [i] Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, [k] I know you not whence ye are:

26 Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27 But [l] he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; [l] depart from me, all *ye* workers of iniquity.

28 There [i] shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you *yourselves* thrust out.

29 And they shall come from the east, and *from* the west, and from the north, and *from* the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

30 And, [n] behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.

31 ¶ The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.

32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* [p] I shall be perfected.

33 Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the *day* following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.

34 O [r] Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen *doth gather* her brood under *her* wings, and ye would not!

35 Behold, [u] your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until *the time* come when ye shall say, [w] Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

CHAP. XIV.

AND it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath day, that [x] they watched him.

2 And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy.

3 And Jesus answering spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, [a] Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?

4 And they held their peace. And he took *him*, and healed him, and let him go;

5 And answered them, saying, [d] Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day?

6 And [e] they could not answer him again to these things.

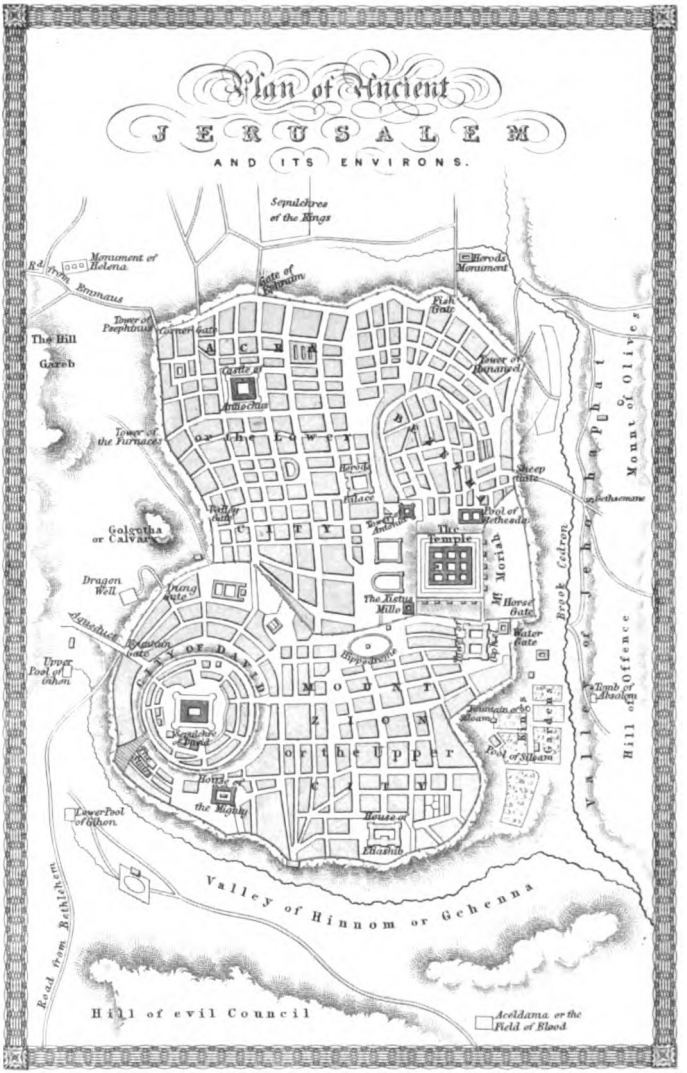
7 ¶ And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, [f] when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them,

8 When thou art bidden of any *man* to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him;

9 And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; [g] and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.

10 But [f] when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say

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unto thee, Friend, go up higher: [a] then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.

11 For [b] whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

12 ¶ Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor *thy* rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.

13 But when thou makest a feast, [c] call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:

14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

15 ¶ And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, [d] Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

16 Then [e] said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:

17 And [f] sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

18 And [m] they all with one *consent* began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.

24 For I say unto you, [g] That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

25 ¶ And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them,

26 If [r] any *man* come to me, [s] and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, [t] yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

27 And [u] whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

28 For [v] which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it?*

29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish *it*, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,

30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.

33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

34 ¶ Salt [b] *is* good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?

35 It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; *but* men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

CHAP. XV.

THEN [d] drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.

2 And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, [f] and eateth with them.

3 ¶ And he spake this parable unto them, saying,

4 What [g] man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?

5 And when he hath found *it*, he layeth *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.

6 And when he cometh home, he calleth together *his* friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; *for* I have found my sheep [m] which was lost.

7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, [n] more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

8 ¶ Either what woman having ten [o] pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it?*

9 And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over [p] one sinner that repenteth.

11 ¶ And he said, A certain man had two sons:

12 And the younger of them said to *his* father, [r] Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them [s] *his* living.

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, [u] and took his journey into a far country, and there [v] wasted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

15 And [w] he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields [b] to feed swine.

16 And [d] he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

17 And [f] when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

18 I [g] will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: [h] make me as one of thy hired servants.

20 And he arose, and came to his father. But [i] when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, [k] and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

A. D. 33.

[a] 1 Sa. 15. 17. Pr. 15. 33.
[b] Mat. 5. 13. Mar. 9. 50.
[c] Job 22. 29. Ps. 18. 27. Pr. 29. 23. Mat. 23. 12. Ja. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
[d] Mat. 9. 10, &c.
[e] Ne. 8. 10, 12. Re. 19. 9.
[f] Ac. 11. 3. Ga. 2. 12.
[g] Mat. 18. 12. Lu. 19. 9.
[h] Is. 55. 1. 7. Re. 3. 20.
[i] Pr. 9. 2, 5.
[m] Is. 26. 12, 13. Je. 6. 10, 16. Jno. 1. 11. 5. 40.
[n] Ps. 119. 176. 1 Pe. 2. 10, 25.
[o] ch. 5. 32.
[p] *Drachma*, here translated *a piece of silver*, is the eighth part of an ounce, which cometh to sevenpence halfpenny, and is equal to the Roman penny, Mat. 18. 28.
[r] 2 Ch. 32. 19 ...19. Mat. 16. 14. Ac. 11. 18.
[s] De. 21. 16, 17.
[t] Mar. 12. 44.
[u] Mat. 21. 43. 22. 8. Ac. 3. 46.
[v] Job 22. 17, 18 Pr. 27. 6. Is. 1. 4. 30. 11. Ep. 2. 13, 17.
[w] Ro. 13. 13, 14 1 Pe. 4. 3, 4.
[x] De. 13. 5. 33. 9. Mat. 10. 37.
[y] Ro. 9. 13.
[z] Re. 12. 11.
[a] 2 Ti. 2. 25, 26.
[b] Ro. 16. Ep. 2. 3. 4. 17...19. Col. 3. 5..7. Tit. 3. 3.
[c] ch. 9. 23. Mar. 8. 34. 2 Ti. 3. 12.
[d] Is. 55. 3. Ho. 12. 1. Ro. 6. 19...21
[e] Pr. 24. 27.
[f] Ps. 73. 22.
[g] Ps. 32. 5. 116. 3...6.
[h] Ja. 4. 10.
[i] Ac. 2. 39. Ep. 2. 13, 17.
[k] Ps. 51. 4.

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22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry:

24 For [e] this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

25 Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.

26 And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

27 And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28 And [f] he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

29 And he answering said to *his* father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, [f] neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:

30 But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.

31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

CHAP. XVI.

AND he said also unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods.

2 And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward.

3 Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.

4 I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.

5 So he called every one of his lord's debtors *unto him*, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord?

6 And he said, An hundred [g] measures of oil. And he said unto him, [r] Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty.

7 Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred [t] measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore.

8 And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than [u] the children of light.

9 And I say unto you, [v] Make to yourselves friends of the [w] mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

10 He [x] that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.

11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous [y] mammon, who will commit to your trust the true *riches*?

12 And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 6. 24.
[b] Mat. 23. 14.
[c] Ep. 2. 1. 5. 14. Re. 3. 1.
[d] ch. 10. 29.
[e] Ps. 7. 9.
[f] 1 Sa. 18. 7.
[g] ch. 7. 29. Mat. 4. 17. 11. 12, 13.
[h] Ps. 102. 26, 27. Is. 40. 8. 51. 6. Mat. 5. 18. 1 Pe. 1. 25.
[i] Ro. 10. 19. 1 Th. 2. 16.
[k] Mat. 5. 32. 19. 9. Mar. 10. 11. 1 Co 7. 10, 11.
[l] Ro 3 20, 27. 10. 3. 1 Joo. 1. 8., 10.
[m] Ps. 9. 17. Pr. 15. 24. Re. 20. 13, 14
[n] Zec. 14. 12.
[o] Is. 66. 24. Mar. 9. 44, &c.
[p] ch. 6. 24. Job 21. 13.
[r] Ps. 49. 6., 8.
[s] The word *Batos* in the original containeth nine gallons three quarts: see Exe. 45. 10, 11, 14.
[t] 2 Ki. 5. 20., 27. Tit. 2. 10.
[u] Is. 8. 20. 31. 16. Joo 5. 39, 45 Ac. 15. 21. 17. 11.
[v] The word here interpreted a measure is the original containeth about fourteen bushels and a pottle.
[w] Joo. 12. 36. Ep. 5. 8. 1 Th. 5. 5.
[x] ch. 11. 41. Da. 4. 27. Mat. 6. 19. 19. 21. 1 Ti. 6. 17., 19.
[y] Mat. 28. 11 ..15. Joo. 11. 43., 53. 12. 10, 11.
[z] or, *riches*.
[a] ch. 19. 27. Mat. 25. 21.
[b] Mat. 18. 6, 7. Mar. 9. 42. 1 Co. 11. 19.
[c] or, *riches*.
[d] Mat. 18. 15, 21.

13 ¶ No [z] servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

14 And the Pharisees also, [a] who were covetous, heard all these things: and they derided him.

15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which [b] justify yourselves before men; but [c] God knoweth your hearts: for [d] that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

16 The [e] law and the prophets *were* until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

17 [f] And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.

18 Whosoever [g] putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from *her* husband committeth adultery.

19 ¶ There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:

20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores,

21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;

23 And [h] in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and [i] cool my tongue; for I [k] am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said, Son, [l] remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that *would come* from thence.

27 Then he said, [r] I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house:

28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

29 Abraham saith unto him, [s] They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, [t] neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

CHAP. XVII.

THEN said he unto the disciples, [a] It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe *unto him*, through whom they come!

2 It were better for [b] him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.

3 [c] Take heed to yourselves: [d] If thy

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brother trespass against thee, [e] rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

6 And the Lord said, [a] If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

7 But which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding cattle, will say unto him by and by, when he is come from the field, Go and sit down to meat?

8 And will not rather say unto him, Make ready wherewith I may sup, and gird thyself, [f] and serve me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward thou shalt eat and drink?

9 Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not.

10 So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We [g] are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.

11 ¶ And it came to pass, [h] as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.

12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, [m] which stood afar off:

13 And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.

14 And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, [n] Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.

15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,

16 And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.

17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine?

18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.

19 And [p] he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

20 ¶ And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with ‡ observation:

21 Neither shall they say, [r] Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the [s] kingdom of God is ‖ within you.

22 And he said unto the disciples, [t] The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see *it*.

23 And [u] they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after *them*, nor follow *them*.

24 For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one *part* under heaven, shineth unto the other *part* under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.

25 But [x] first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.

26 And [a] as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.

27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

28 Likewise [b] also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed *them* all.

30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man [b] is revealed.

31 In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back.

32 Remember [d] Lot's wife.

33 Whosoever [e] shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.

34 I [f] tell you, in that night there shall be two *men* in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.

35 Two *women* shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

36 [g] Two *men* shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

37 And they answered and said unto him, [h] Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body *is*, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND he spake a parable unto them *to this end*, that men ought [i] always *to* pray, and not to faint;

2 Saying, There was [†] in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man:

3 And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary.

4 And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man;

5 Yet [o] because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.

6 And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.

7 And [p] shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

8 I tell you [r] that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?

9 And he spake this parable unto certain [t] which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.

11 The Pharisee [u] stood and prayed thus with himself, [x] God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: [b] for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

15 And [c] they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when *his* disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them.

16 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for [f] of such is the kingdom of God.

A. D. 33.

[a] Le. 19. 17. Pr. 17. 10. Ja. 5. 19.
[b] 2 Th. 1. 7.
[c] Mar. 9. 23.
[d] Ge. 19. 26.
[e] ch. 9. 24. Mat. 10. 39. 16. 25. Mar. 8. 35. Jno. 12. 25.
[f] Mat. 24. 40, 41. 1 Th. 4. 17.
[g] ch. 13. 27.
[h] This 36th verse is wanting in most of the Greek copies.
[i] Job 39. 30.
[k] Job 22. 3. 35. 7. Ps. 16. 2. Mat. 25. 30. Ro. 3. 12. 11. 35. 1 Co. 9. 16, 17.
[l] Jno. 4. 4.
[m] Ro. 12. 12. Ep. 6. 18. Col. 4. 2. 1 Th. 5. 17.
[†] *in a certain city.*
[m] Le. 13. 46.
[n] ch. 5. 14. Le. 13. 2. 14. 2. Mat. 8. 4.
[o] ch. 11. 37.
[p] Ro. 6. 10.
[r] He. 10. 37. 2 Pe. 3. 8, 9.
[s] ch. 7. 50. 18. 42. Mat. 9. 22. Mar. 5. 34. 10. 52.
[t] ch. 10. 29. 16. 15.
‡ or, *as being righteous.*
§ or, *outward show.*
[u] ch. 21. 8.
[x] Ro. 14. 17.
[y] Ps. 135. 2.
‖ or, *among you,* Jno. 1. 26.
[y] Is. 1. 15. 58. 2. Ro. 3. 17.
[z] Mar. 9. 15. Jno. 17. 12.
[a] Mat. 24. 23, &c.
[b] ch. 14. 11. Job 22. 29. Mat. 23. 12. Ja. 4. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 5, 6.
[c] ch. 9. 22. Mar. 6. 31. 9. 31. 10. 33.
[d] Ge. VII.
[e] Mat. 19. 13 .15. Mar. 10. 13 . 16.
[f] 1 Co. 14. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[g] Ge. XIX.

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17 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein.

18 And [a] a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none *is* good, save one, *that is*, God.

20 Thou knowest the commandments, [b] Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, [d] Honour thy father and thy mother.

21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.

22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: [f] sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.

24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, [g] How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they that heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?

27 And he said, [m] The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee.

29 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, [r] There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,

30 Who [t] shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

31 ¶ Then [u] he took *unto him* the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things [x] that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.

32 For [z] he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:

33 And they shall scourge *him*, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.

34 And [a] they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.

35 ¶ And [b] it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging:

36 And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.

37 And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.

38 And he cried, saying, Jesus, [c] *thou* son of David, [e] have mercy on me.

39 And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

40 And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,

41 Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

42 And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: [f] thy faith hath saved thee.

43 And immediately he [h] received his sight, and followed him, [i] glorifying God:

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 19. 16, &c. Mar. 10. 17, &c.
[b] 2 Ch. 17. 5, 6.
[c] Ex. 20. 13, 16. De. 5. 17, 20. Ro. 13. 9.
[d] Ep. 6. 2. Col. 3. 20.
[e] Ps. 139. 1, 2. Ese. 16. 6. Jno. 1. 48.
[f] Mat. 6. 19, 20. 1 Ti. 6. 19.
[g] Is. 64. 5.
[h] ch. 5. 30. Mat. 9. 11.
[i] Pr. 11. 28.
[k] ch. 3. 14.
[l] Ex. 22. 1. 2 Sa. 12. 6.
[m] ch. 1. 37. Je. 32. 17. Zec. 8. 6.
[n] Ro. 4. 11, 12, 16. Ga. 3. 7.
[o] ch. 13. 16.
[p] Mat. 10. 6. 15. 24.
[r] De. 33. 9.
[s] Ac. 1. 6.
[t] Job 42. 10.
[u] Mat. 25. 14, &c. Mar. 13. 34.
[x] Mat. 16. 21. 17. 22. 20. 17. Mar. 10. 32, &c. 34.
[z] *Mina*, here translated a pound, is twelve ounces and an half: which according to Bp. the ounce is 2l. 2s. 6d.
[a] Ps. XXII. Is. LIII.
[b] Jno. 1. 11.
[c] ch. 23. 1. Mat. 27. 2. Jno. 18. 28. Ac. 3. 13.
† *silver*, and so ver. 23.
[e] ch. 2. 50. 9. 45. Mar. 9. 32. Jno. 10. 6. 12. 16.
[b] Mat. 20. 29, &c. 34. Mar. 10. 46, &c. 52.
[e] ch. 16. 10.
[d] Je. 23. 5. Ro. 1. 3. 2 Ti. 2. 8. 16.
[e] Ps. 67. 12.
[f] 2 Sa. 1. 16. Job 15. 6. Mat. 12. 37. Ro. 3. 19.
[g] ch. 17. 19. Ep. 2. 8. Ja. 2. 14, &c. 26.
[h] Is. 35. 5.
[i] ch. 5. 26. Ac. 4. 21. 11. 18. Ga. 1. 24.

and all the people, when they saw *it*, gave praise unto God.

CHAP. XIX.

AND *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho.

2 And, behold, *there was a* man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, [b] and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, [c] he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchæus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and [g] received him joyfully.

7 And when they saw *it*, they all murmured, saying, [k] That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

8 And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by [k] false accusation, [l] I restore *him* fourfold.

9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as [n] he also is [o] a son of Abraham.

10 For [p] the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because [s] they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.

12 He [u] said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.

13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten [z] pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

14 But [y] his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this *man* to reign over us.

15 And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the† money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.

16 Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.

17 And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been [g] faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.

18 And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.

19 And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.

20 And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin:

21 For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.

22 And he saith unto him, [f] Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow:

23 Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury?

24 And he said unto them that stood by,

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Take from him the pound, and give *it* to him that hath ten pounds.

25 (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)

26 For I say unto you, [b] That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, [c] even that he hath shall be taken away from him.

27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay *them* before me.

28 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, [d] he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.

29 And [e] it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called [f] *the mount* of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,

30 Saying, Go ye into the village over against *you*; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring *him hither*.

31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose *him*? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord [g] hath need of him.

32 And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.

33 And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?

34 And they said, The Lord hath need of him.

35 And they brought him to Jesus: and [h] they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.

36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.

37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen:

38 Saying, [i] Blessed *be* the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: [k] peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.

40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, [l] the stones would immediately cry out.

41 ¶ And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and [m] wept over it,

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things *which belong* unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall [n] cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,

44 And [o] shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and [p] they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; [q] because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

45 And [r] he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;

46 Saying unto them, [s] It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but [t] ye have made it a den of thieves.

47 And he taught daily in the temple. But [u] the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,

48 And could not find what they might do: for all the people [x] were very attentive to hear him.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 21. 23 ..27.
[b] ch. 8. 18. Mat. 13. 12. Mar. 4. 25. Jno. 15 [1,]2.
[c] 2 Jno. 8. Re. 3. 11.
[d] Ac. 4. 7. 7. 27.
[e] Col. 4. 6.
[f] Ps. 40.6..8. Jno. 18. 11. He. 12. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 1.
[g] Mat. 21. 1, &c. Mar. 11. 1, &c.
[h] Zec. 14. 4.
[i] ch. 7. 29. Mat. 14. 5.
[k] Is. 44. 18. Jo. 8. 7..9.
[l] 2 Co. 8. 9. He. 2. 7..9.
[m] Ps.80.8..16. Is. 5. 1. Je. 2. 21. Mat. 21. 33, &c. Mar. 12. 1, &c.
[n] Ac. 7. 52. 1 Th. 2. 15. He.11.35,37
[o] 2 Ki. 9. 13. Jno. 12. 14.
[p] ch. 13. 35. Ps. 118. 26.
[q] Ps. 2. 8. He. 1. 2.
[r] Jno. 11. 53. Ac. 7. 57.
[s] ch. 2. 14. Ep. 2. 14.
[t] ch. 21. 24. He. 2. 3.
[u] Hab. 2. 11.
[x] Ps. 116. 22. Mat. 21. 42.
[y] Jno. 11. 33.
[a] Is. 8. 14, 15. Zec. 12. 3. Ro. 9. 33. 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[b] Is. 60. 12. Da. 2.34,35.
[c] ch. 21. 20. Is. 29. 3, 4. Je. 6. 3, 6.
[d] 1 Ki. 9. 7, 8. Mi. 3. 12.
[e] Mat. 22. 15, &c.
[f] ch. 21. 6. Mat. 24. 2. Mar. 13. 2.
[g] ch. 1. 68,78. Da. 9. 24. 1 Pe. 2. 12.
[h] Jno.2.14,15
[i] Mar. 12. 14, &c.
[k] Is. 56. 7.
[l] Je. 7. 11.
[m] or, *of a truth.*
[n] Jno. 7. 19. 8. 37.
[o] Jno.2.24,25 He. 4. 13.
[p] See Mat. 18. 28.
[q] or, *hanged on him,* Ac. 16. 14.

CHAP. XX.

AND [a] it came to pass, *that* on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon *him* with the elders,

2 And spake unto him, saying, [b] Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this authority?

3 And he answered and said unto them, [c] I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:

4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?

5 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not?

6 But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that [d] John was a prophet.

7 And they answered, [e] that they could not tell whence *it was*.

8 And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

9 Then began he to speak to the people this parable; [m] A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time.

10 And at the season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard: [n] but the husbandmen beat him and sent *him* away empty.

11 And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and entreated *him* shamefully, and sent *him* away empty.

12 And again he sent a third: and they wounded him also, and cast *him* out.

13 Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son: it may be they will reverence *him* when they see him.

14 But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, [f] This is the heir: come, [g] let us kill him, that the inheritance may be our's.

15 So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed *him*. What therefore shall the lord of the vineyard do unto them?

16 He [o] shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard *it*, they said, God forbid.

17 And he beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, [p] The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner?

18 Whosoever [q] shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but [r] on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

19 ¶ And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them.

20 And [s] they watched *him*, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and authority of the governor.

21 And they asked him, saying, [t] Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person *of any*, but teachest the way of God [u] truly:

22 Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Cæsar, or no?

23 But [x] he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me?

24 Shew me a [y] penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Cæsar's.

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25 And he said unto them, [a] Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which be Cæsar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

26 And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they marvelled at his answer, and held their peace.

27 ¶ Then [b] came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, [c] which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,

28 Saying, Master, [d] Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

29 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.

30 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.

31 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died.

32 Last [e] of all the woman died also.

33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.

34 And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:

35 But they which shall be [m] accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:

36 Neither can they die any more: for [n] they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, [o] being the children of the resurrection.

37 Now that the dead are raised, [p] even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

38 For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for [q] all live unto him.

39 ¶ Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said.

40 And [r] after that they durst not ask him any *question at all*.

41 And he said unto them, [s] How say they that Christ is David's son?

42 And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, [t] The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

43 Till I make thine enemies thy footstool.

44 David therefore calleth him Lord, how is he then his son?

45 ¶ Then [u] in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples,

46 Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and [v] love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;

47 Which devour widows' houses, [w] and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.

CHAP. XXI.

AND he looked up, [x] and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.

2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two [y] mites.

3 And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, [z] that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:

4 For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in [m] all the living that she had.

5 ¶ And [n] as some spake of the temple,

A. D. 33.

[a] Ro. 13. 7. 1 Pe. 2. 17.
[b] ch. 19. 47.
[c] Mat. 22. 23, &c. Mar. 12. 18, &c.
[d] Ac. 23. 6, 8. 1 Co. 15. 12, &c.
[e] 2 Ti. 2. 17, 18.
[m] De. 29. 5.
[n] Ep. 5. 6. 2 Th. 2. 3. 1 Joo. 4. 1.
[o] *or, and, The time,* Mat. 3. 2. 4. 17.
[p] Ec. 1. 4. 9. 5. He. 9. 27.
[q] Ro. 2. 10.
[r] Ac. 4. 3. 5. 18. 12. 4. 16. 24.
[s] Ac. 25. 23.
[t] 1 Pe. 2. 13.
[u] Ac. 5. 41. 2 Th. 1. 5. Re. 3. 4.
[v] Phil. 1. 28. 2 Th. 1. 5.
[w] ch. 12. 11. Mat. 10. 19, &c.
[x] 1 Co. 15. 42, 49, 52. 1 Joo. 3. 2.
[y] Ac. 6. 10.
[z] Ro. 8. 23.
[a] Mi. 7. 6.
[b] Ex. 3. 6.
[c] Ac. 7. 59. 12. 2.
[d] Ro 6.10,11. 14. 7, 9.
[e] Ro. 3. 19.
[f] Mat. 24. 15, &c. Mar. 13. 14, &c.
[g] Is. 9. 6, 7. 11. 1. Je. 23. 5, 6. 33.15,21.
[h] Ps. 110. 1. Ac. 2. 34. 1 Co. 15. 25. He. 1. 13.
[i] Da.9.26,27. Zec. 11. 1.
[k] Mat.23.1,&c
[l] ch. 11. 43.
[m] Ezc. 33. 31. 2 Ti. 3.2..5.
[n] Da. 9. 27. 12. 7. Re. 11. 2.
[o] 2Pe.3.10,12.
[p] Mar. 12. 41 ..44.
[q] See Mar. 12. 42.
[r] 2 Co. 8. 12.
[s] Da.7.13,14. Ac. 1. 11. 1 Th. 4. 16. Re. 1. 7. 14. 14.
[t] De. 34. 6. 1 Joo. 3. 17.
[u] Mat. 24. 1, &c. Mar. 13. 1, &c.
[v] Ro.8.19,23.

how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,

6 *As for* these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which [o] there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

7 And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign *will there be* when these things shall come to pass?

8 And he said, [p] Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ*; [q] and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.

9 But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end *is* not by and by.

10 Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:

11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

12 But [r] before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and [s] into prisons, [t] being brought before kings and rulers [u] for my name's sake.

13 And [v] it shall turn to you for a testimony.

14 Settle [w] *it* therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:

15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, [x] which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.

16 And [y] ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and [z] *some* of you shall they cause to be put to death.

17 And ye shall be hated of all [a] *men* for my name's sake.

18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish.

19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

20 And [b] when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

21 Then let them which are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that [c] all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, [d] until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

25 ¶ And [e] there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

27 And then shall they see the Son of man [f] coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for [g] your redemption draweth nigh.

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29 And [a] he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;

30 When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.

31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

32 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.

33 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

34 ¶ And [b] take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and *so* that day come upon you unawares.

35 For [c] as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

36 Watch [d] ye therefore, and [e] pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to [m] stand before the Son of man.

37 And [n] in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and [o] at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called *the mount* of Olives.

38 And all the people came [p] early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.

CHAP. XXII.

NOW [q] the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the passover.

2 And [r] the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.

3 ¶ Then [s] entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.

4 And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them.

5 And they were glad, and [t] covenanted to give him money.

6 And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them [u] in the absence of the multitude.

7 ¶ Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed.

8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.

9 And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare?

10 And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in.

11 And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, [v] where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

12 And [x] he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready.

13 And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.

14 And [w] when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, [†] With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, [y] until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide *it* among yourselves:

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 24. 32, &c. Mar. 13. 28, &c.
[b] 1 Co. 11. 24.
[c] 1 Co. 10. 16.
[d] Ps. 41. 9. Jno. 13. 21, 26.
[e] Ro. 13. 13. 1 Th. 5. 6. 1 Pe. 4. 7.
[f] Ac. 2. 23. 4. 28.
[g] 1 Th. 5. 2. 2 Pe. 3. 10. Re. 3. 3. 16. 15.
[h] ch. 9. 46. Mar. 9. 34.
[i] Mat. 25. 13.
[k] ch. 18. 1.
[l] Mat. 20. 25 ..28.
[m] Ps. 1. 5. Ep. 6. 13.
[n] Jno. 8. 1, 2.
[o] ch. 22. 39.
[p] 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[r] ch. 9. 48.
[q] Ex. 9. 10. Jo. 25. 3. 44. 4.
[r] ch. 12. 37.
[s] Jno. 13. 13, 14. Phl. 2. 7.
[t] Ex. 12 1..34 Mat 26.2. 5 Mar. 14.1,2
[u] 1 Co. 5. 7, 8. Pe. 2. 2. Jno. 11. 47. Ac. 4. 27.
[x] He. 4. 15.
[a] ch. 12. 32. Mat. 24. 47.
[b] 2 Co. 1. 7. 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[c] Jno. 13. 2, 27
[b] ch. 14. 15. Mat. 8. 11. Re. 19. 9.
[c] Ps. 49. 14. Mat. 19. 28. 1 Co. 6. 2. Re. 3. 21.
[d] 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[e] Am. 9. 9.
[f] Zec. 11. 12. 2 Pe. 2. 3, 15.
[g] Jno. 17. 9, 11, 15.
[h] Ps. 51. 13. Jno. 21. 15 ..17.
[o] or, *without tumult.*
[i] Re. 2. 20.
[j] Is. 53. 12. Mar. 15. 28.
[k] Pr. 16. 1.
[l] Mat. 26. 36, &c. Mar. 14. 32, &c. Jno. 18. 1, &c.
[m] ch. 21. 37.
[n] Mar. 14. 17.
[†] or, *I have heartily desired.*
[o] Mat. 6. 13.
[p] ch. 14. 15. Ac. 10. 41.
[‡] *willing to remove.*

18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.

19 ¶ And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: [h] this do in remembrance of me.

20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, [i] This cup *is* the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

21 ¶ But, [d] behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.

22 And truly the Son of man goeth, [f] as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed!

23 And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing.

24 ¶ And [k] there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest.

25 And [l] he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors.

26 But [p] ye *shall* not *be* so: [r] but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.

27 For [s] whether *is* greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? *is* not he that sitteth at meat? but [m] I am among you as he that serveth.

28 Ye are they which have continued with me in [y] my temptations.

29 And [z] I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;

30 That [b] ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, [c] and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

31 ¶ And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, [d] Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may [e] sift *you* as wheat:

32 But [f] I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

33 And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.

34 And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.

35 And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

36 Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take *it*, and likewise *his* scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.

37 For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, [g] And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end.

38 And they said, Lord, behold, here *are* two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.

39 ¶ And [l] he came out, and went, [m] as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

40 And [o] when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation.

41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,

42 Saying, Father, if thou be [‡] willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

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43 And there appeared [a] an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.

44 And [b] being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.

47 ¶ And while he yet spake, [c] behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, [d] and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him.

48 But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss?

49 When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

50 ¶ And [m] one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.

51 And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. [n] And he touched his ear, and healed him.

52 Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves?

53 When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: [p] but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

54 ¶ Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. [q] And Peter followed afar off.

55 And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, [r] Peter sat down among them.

56 But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him.

57 And [s] he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not.

58 And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not.

59 And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilæan.

60 And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew.

61 And the Lord turned, [t] and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, [u] Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.

62 And Peter went out, [v] and wept bitterly.

63 ¶ And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote *him*.

64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?

65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.

66 ¶ And as soon as it was day, [x] the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying,

67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:

68 And if I also ask *you*, ye will not answer me, nor let *me* go.

69 Hereafter [h] shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 4. 11.
[b] Jno. 12. 27. Heb. 5. 7.
[c] Mat. 27. 2, &c. Mar. 15. 1, &c. Jno. 18. 28, &c.
[d] Ac. 17. 7.
[e] Mat. 26. 47, &c. Mar. 14. 43, &c. Jno. 18. 3, &c.
[f] Mat. 17. 27. 22. 21. Mar. 12. 17.
[g] Jno. 19. 12.
[h] 28a. 20. 9, 10. Ps. 55. 21. Pr. 27. 6.
[i] 1 Ti. 6. 13.
[k] 1 Pe. 2. 22.
[l] Ps. 22. 12, 13. 57. 4. Ac. 5. 33. 23. 10.
[m] Ro. 12. 19. 2 Co. 10. 4.
[n] 1 Pe. 1. 21.. 23.
[o] ch. 9. 9.
[p] Job 20. 5. Jno. 13. 27. Ep. 6. 12.
[q] 2 Ki. 5. 5, 6, 11.
[r] 2 Ch. 22. 31.
[s] Ps. 38. 13, 14. 39. 1, 2, 9. Mat. 7. 6. Ac. 8. 32.
[t] 1 Pe. 2. 23.
[u] Ps. 1. 1. 1 Co. 15. 33. 2 Co. 6. 14.. 18.
[v] Is. 53. 3.
[w] Ac. 2. 13, 14, 18. 27. 1. 2. 11, 12.
[x] Ps. 63. 4, 5. Ac. 4. 27. Re. 17. 13, 14
[y] Mat. 27. 23 ..25. Mar. 15. 14 Jno. 18. 39 ..40. 19. 4.
[z] ver. 1, 2.
[a] Da. 6. 4. Ac. 13. 28. He. 7. 26.
[b] Job 33. 27, 28 Is. 57. 15.. 18
[c] Mat. 26. 24, 75. Jno. 13. 38.
[d] Jno. 19. 1.
[e] 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[f] Ac. 3. 14.
[g] Mat. 27. 1, &c. Ac. 4. 26. 22. 5.
[h] He. 1. 3. 8. 1.
[i] Mat. 27. 25, &c. Mar. 15. 15.
[k] or, *asserted.* Ex. 23. 2.

70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am.

71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND [a] the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.

2 And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this *fellow* [b] perverting the nation, and [c] forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying [d] that he himself is Christ a King.

3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? [e] And he answered him and said, Thou sayest *it*.

4 Then said Pilate to the chief priests and *to* the people, [f] I find no fault in this man.

5 And [g] they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.

6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilæan.

7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

8 ¶ And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for [h] he was desirous to see him of a long *season*, because he had heard many things of him; [i] and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.

9 Then he questioned with him in many words; [k] but he answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.

11 And [l] Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked *him*, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.

12 ¶ And the same day [m] Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.

13 ¶ And [n] Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

14 Said unto them, [o] Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined *him* before you, [p] have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him:

15 No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him.

16 I [q] will therefore chastise him, and release *him*.

17 (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.)

18 And [r] they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this *man*, and release unto us Barabbas:

19 (Who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.)

20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.

21 But they cried, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify him.

22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let *him* go.

23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

24 And [s] Pilate [t] gave sentence that it should be as they required.

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25 And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will.

26 And [c] as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear *it* after Jesus.

27 ¶ And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him.

28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

29 For, [f] behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed *are* the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.

30 Then [h] shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.

31 For [i] if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?

32 And [m] there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.

33 And [o] when they were come to the place, which is called [o] Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

34 ¶ Then said Jesus, Father, [p] forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

35 And [q] the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided *him*, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.

36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,

37 And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

39 ¶ And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.

40 But the other answering [x] rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, [y] seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

41 And we indeed justly; [z] for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

42 And he said unto Jesus, [b] Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

44 And [c] it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the ‡ earth until the ninth hour.

45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

46 ¶ And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, [f] Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

47 Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man.

48 And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned.

49 And [k] all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

50 ¶ And, behold, *there was* a man named Joseph, a counsellor; *and he was* a good man, and a just:

51 (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) *he was* of Arimathæa, a city of the Jews: [l] who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.

52 This *man* went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, [e] and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

54 And that day was [d] the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.

55 And the women also, [r] which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and [s] beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

56 And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day [t] according to the commandment.

CHAP. XXIV.

NOW [l] upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, [n] bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain *others* with them.

2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

3 And [r] they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, [g] behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:

5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down *their* faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye † the living among the dead?

6 He is not here, but is risen: [u] remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,

7 Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

8 And [g] they remembered his words,

9 And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

10 It was Mary Magdalene, and [s] Joanna, and Mary *the mother* of James, and other *women that were* with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

11 And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.

12 Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

13 ¶ And, [d] behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs.

14 And [s] they talked together of all these things which had happened.

15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, [s] Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

16 But [h] their eyes were holden that they should not know him.

17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

18 And the one of them, [t] whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?

19 And he said unto them, What things?

A. D. 33.

[a] Jno. 19. 17.
[b] ch. 2. 25,26.
[c] Is. 53. 9.
[d] Mat. 27. 62.
[e] ch. 8. 2.
[f] ch. 21. 23. Mat. 24. 19.
[g] Mar. 15. 47.
[h] Is. 2. 19. Ho. 10. 8. Re. 6. 16. 9. 6.
[i] Ez. 20. 10. Is. 58.13,14.
[k] Ps. 11. 21. Jo. 25. 29. Eze. 20. 47. 21.3,4. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[l] Mat. 28. 1, &c. Mar. 16. 1, &c. Jno. 20. 1, &c.
[m] Is. 53. 12.
[n] ch. 23. 56.
[o] Mat. 27. 33. Mar. 15. 22. Jno. 19. 17. 18.
[o] or, *the place of a skull.*
[p] Mat. b. 44. Ac. 3. 17. 7. 60. 1 Co. 4. 12.
[q] ver. 23.
[x] Ps. 22. 17. Zec. 12. 10.
[y] Jno. 20. 12. Ac. 1. 10.
† or, *him that liveth.* He. 7. 8. Re. 1. 18.
[z] ch. 9. 22. Mat. 16. 21. 17. 23. Mar. 8. 31. 9. 31.
[a] Jno. 2. 22.
[b] Le. 19. 17. Ep. 5. 11.
[y] 2 Ch. 28. 23. Je. 5. 3. Re. 16. 11.
[z] ch. 8. 3.
[c] Le. 26. 40.. 42. Jos.7.19,20. 2 Ch. 33.12. Ja. 4. 7. 1 Jno.1.8,9.
[b] Ro. 10.9,10.
[c] Mat. 27. 45. Mar. 15. 33.
[d] Mar. 16. 12, 13.
‡ or, *land.*
[e] De. 6. 7. Ps. 55. 14. Mal. 3. 16.
[f] Ps. 31. 5. 1 Pe. 2. 23.
[g] Mat. 18. 20.
[h] 2 Ki.6. 15.. 20. Jno. 20. 14. 21. 4.
[i] Jno. 19. 25.
[k] Ps. 38. 11. Jno. 19. 25.
[l] Mat. 27. 57. Mar. 15. 42. Jno. 19. 38.
[m] Mat. 27. 61. Mar. 15. 47. 16. 1. Lu. 23. 55.
[n] Jno. 19. 39.
[o] Mat. 28. 1. Mar. 16. 2. Lu. 24. 1. Jno. 20. 1.
[p] Mat. 28. 5. Mar. 16. 6. Lu. 24. 5.
[q] Mat. 28. 6. Mar. 16. 6. Lu. 24. 6. Jno. 20. 9.
[r] Mat. 28. 8. Mar. 16. 8. Lu. 24. 8.
[s] Mat. 28. 9. Jno. 20. 14.
[t] Mat. 28. 17. Mar. 16. 11. Lu. 24. 11. Jno. 20. 25.
[u] Mat. 28. 10. Jno. 20. 17.
[x] Mat. 28. 11. Jno. 20. 19.
[y] Mat. 28. 12. Mar. 16. 14. Lu. 24. 36. Jno. 20. 19.
[z] Mat. 28. 13. Jno. 20. 19.
[a] Mat. 28. 14. Jno. 20. 26.
[b] Mat. 28. 15. Mar. 16. 14. Lu. 24. 44. Jno. 20. 21.
[c] Mat. 28. 16. Mar. 16. 15. Lu. 24. 47. Jno. 20. 21.
[d] Mat. 28. 17. Mar. 16. 16. Lu. 24. 48. Jno. 20. 22.
[e] Mat. 28. 18. Mar. 16. 19. Lu. 24. 50. Jno. 20. 23.
[f] Mat. 28. 19. Mar. 16. 15. Lu. 24. 47. Jno. 20. 21.
[g] Mat. 28. 20. Mar. 16. 20. Lu. 24. 53. Jno. 20. 31.

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And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, [c] which was a prophet [b] mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:

20 And [d] how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.

21 But we trusted [e] that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done.

22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre;

23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.

24 And [h] certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.

25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

26 Ought not [i] Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

27 And beginning at [m] Moses and [n] all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and [p] he made as though he would have gone further.

29 But [q] they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.

30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, [r] he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them.

31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he [s] vanished out of their sight.

32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them,

34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and [p] hath appeared to Simon.

A. D. 33.

[c] ch. 7. 16. Mat. 21. 11. Jno. 3. 2. 4. 19. 6. 14. Ac. 2. 22.
[b] Ac. 7. 22.
[d] Jno. 20. 19.
[e] ch. 23. 1. Ac. 13. 27, 28.
[h] ch. 1. 68. 2. 38. Ac. 1. 6.
[f] Mar. 6. 49.
[i] Ac. 17. 3. 1 Pe. 1. 11.
[k] Ge. 45. 26.
[l] ver. 19.
[m] Jno. 21. 5. Ac. 10. 41.
[n] Mat. 16. 21. 20. 18.
[o] Ac. 17. 3. 1 Pe. 1. 11.
[p] Ge. 3. 15. 49. 10. De. 18. 15.
[q] Ps. 16. 9, 10. XXII. 22. 11. Is. 7. 14. 9. 6. LIII. Jo. 23. 5. De. 9. 24. Mi. 7. 20. Mal. 3. 1.
[r] Ac. 16. 14.
[s] Mar. 6. 48.
[t] Is. 50. 6. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[u] Ac. 16. 18.
[v] 1 Jno. 2. 12.
[w] Mal. 1. 11.
[x] Mat. 14. 19.
[y] Is. 44. 3. Joel 2. 28. Ac. 2. 1, &c.
[z] or, *ceased to be seen of them.* ch. 4. 30. Jno. 8. 59.
[a] Ac. 1. 12.
[b] 2 Ki. 2. 11. Ac. 1. 9. Ep. 4. 8.
[c] Ac. 2. 46. 5. 42.
[d] 1 Co. 15. 5.

35 And they told what things *were done* in the way, and how he was known [u] of them in breaking of bread.

36 ¶ And [x] as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.

37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen [y] a spirit.

38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?

39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and *his* feet.

41 And while they yet believed not [z] for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have [a] ye here any meat?

42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.

43 And he took *it*, and did eat before them.

44 And he said unto them, [b] These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then [c] opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, [r] Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

47 And that repentance and [t] remission of sins should be preached in his name [w] among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

48 And ye are witnesses of these things.

49 ¶ And, [x] behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

50 ¶ And he led them out [y] as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

51 And [z] it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

53 And were continually [a] in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. VII. 11.—NAIN. This was a small city or town not far from Capernaum, celebrated chiefly for the miracle which our Lord performed at its gate, of restoring the widow's son to life. The Nain of the New Testament is now called Nein. Eusebius and Jerome describe it as not far from Endor. The crusaders recognised it; and it has since been mentioned by most travellers to the present day. It has now dwindled to a small hamlet, occupied at most by a few families. Ever memorable be this spot, as itself a monument to the honour of Him "who went about doing good." It has been well said, 'They who weep most tragically at the sight of a tragedy live coldly to themselves, indifferent to the real miseries around them.' Not so with Jesus. True greatness is combined with tenderness, and the Lord of Glory, the Prince of Life, was moved with compassion when he saw this mourning widow, and shewed the reality of his compassion, by giving him back to life again.

CH. XXI. 37.—MOUNT OF OLIVES. 'The mount of Olives,' says an esteemed authority, 'will seem to many of our readers as the most interesting locality in the world. The marks and boundaries of Jerusalem itself have been so altered in the course of ages, that it would be difficult to fix upon any spot which may be supposed to present even nearly the same appearance which it did in the time of Christ. But respecting the mount of Olives there is no doubt or question. In all the changes of time and of possessors, it has continued to retain its name, and to exhibit the perennial green of the tree from which that name was derived. There is much reason to conclude that even in its surface it is now little different from what it was in the day when king David went up its ascent, "weeping and barefoot;" or that later day when the Son of man was wont to resort thither. The sides of the mount of Olives are still sprinkled with olive trees, though not thickly, as was probably the case in his day; and a few other trees are occasionally seen. But that any of the olive trees now found there should have existed in the time of Christ, can scarcely be expected. The monks, however, never to be fully credited, shew eight trees of a vast age, growing on the lower slope of the mountain towards the brook Kidron, to which the credulous look with high veneration. It has been objected that these trees cannot be so old as they profess, and that the Romans cut down all the wood around Jerusalem. It is, however, pleaded that the growth of the olive is slower than that of any other tree, that the girth of the largest tree being twenty-four feet is a proof of its prodigious age; and that there is nothing unnatural in assigning the age of nineteen centuries to these patriarchs of the vegetable kingdom. Moreover, it has been observed, that the Romans had no temptation to cut down the olives; that they were then young and slender, and of little value in any way for constructing military machines.

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SUPPOSED SITE OF NAIN.—*Cassas.* Luke vii. 11.



ASCENT TO THE MOUNT OF OLIVES.—*Original Sketch.*—Luke xxi. 37.

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The Gospel according to S. JOHN.

John was the brother of that James whom Herod beheaded, Acts xii. 2. He wrote about A. D. 97, having chiefly in view 'to record such miracles and discourses as most clearly displayed the character, office, and Divine nature of the Saviour.' His gospel supplies what the other Evangelists had omitted.

CHAP. I.

IN the beginning [a] was the Word, and the Word was with God, [c] and the Word was God.

2 The [c] same was in the beginning with God.

3 All [f] things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

4 In [h] him was life; and the life was the light of men.

5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

6 ¶ There [i] was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.

7 The [m] same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe.

8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.

9 *That* [p] was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

10 He was in the world, and [r] the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

12 But [t] as many as received him, to them gave he [u] power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

13 Which [w] were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word [x] was made [z] flesh, and dwelt among us, (and [y] we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) [a] full of grace and truth.

15 ¶ John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, [c] He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me.

16 And of his [b] fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.

17 For [e] the law was given by Moses, *but* grace [d] and truth came by Jesus Christ.

18 No man hath seen God at any time; the [e] only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him*.

19 ¶ And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?

20 And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ.

21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou [e] that [h] prophet? And he answered, No.

22 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?

23 He [i] said, *I am* the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as [i] said the prophet Esaias.

24 And they which were sent were of the Pharisees.

25 And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet?

A. D. 30.

[a] Pr. 8. 22, &c.
[b] Mal. 3. 1.
[c] 1 Jno. 5. 7.
[d] Ac. 19. 4.
[e] Ge. 1. 1.
[f] Re. 3. 14.
[g] Jn. 7. 24.
[h] 1 Jno. 5. 11.
[i] Is. 53. 7. Is. 53. 7. Ac. 8. 32. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 5. 6, &c.
[k] Is. 53. 11. He. 1. 3. Re. 1. 5.
[l] or, *beareth*.
[m] Mat. 3. 1.
[n] Ac. 19. 4.
[o] Lu. 1 76, 77.
[p] ch. 5. 32.
[r] Is. 49. 6. 1 Jno. 2. 8.
[s] ver. 5.
[t] Ps. 33. 6. Ep. 3. 9. Col. 1. 16. He. 1. 2. 11. 3.
[u] Ac. 1. 5.
[w] Ro. 8. 15. 1 Jno. 3. 1.
† or, *the right*, or, *privilege*.
[x] ch. 3. 5. Ja. 1. 18.
[z] Ro. 1. 3. Ga. 4. 4.
[a] He. 2. 11..17
[y] Is. 40. 5. Mat. 17. 2. 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[a] Col. 1. 19. 2. 3, 9.
[c] Mat. 3. 11.
‡ or, *abideth*.
[b] ch. 3. 34. Ep. 1. 6..8. Col. 2. 9, 10.
[c] Ex. 20 1, &c
[d] Ro. 3. 24.
§ *That was two hours beforenight.*
[e] 1 Jno. 4. 9.
[f] Mat. 4. 18.
‖ or, *the anointed*.
[g] Mat. 16. 18.
[e] or, *a prophet*.
[h] De. 18. 15, 18
† or, *Peter*.
[i] ch. 3. 28.
[k] ch. 12. 21.
[l] Is. 40. 3.
[m] ch. 21. 2.
[n] Ge. 3. 15. 49. 10. De. 18. 18.
[o] Is. 9. 6. 53. 2. Mi. 5. 2. Zec. 9. 9.
[p] ch. 7. 41, 42, 52

26 John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: [k] but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not;

27 He [d] it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose.

28 These things were done [g] in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

29 ¶ The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold [l] the Lamb of God, [k] which [o] taketh away the sin of the world.

30 This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.

31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, [n] therefore am I come baptizing with water.

32 And [s] John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.

33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, [t] the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

34 And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

35 ¶ Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples;

36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!

37 And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.

38 Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, What seek ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where ‡ dwellest thou?

39 He saith unto them, Come and see. They came and saw where he dwelt, and abode with him that day: for it was about § the tenth hour.

40 One of the two which heard John *speak*, and followed him, was [f] Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.

41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, ‖ the Christ.

42 And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, he said, Thou art Simon the son of Jona: [g] thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, † A stone.

43 ¶ The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.

44 Now [k] Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

45 Philip findeth [m] Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom [n] Moses in the law, and the [o] prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

46 And Nathanael said unto him, [p] Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see.

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47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold [a] an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!

48 Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.

49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, [d] thou art the Son of God; thou art [f] the King of Israel.

50 Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.

51 And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, [g] Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

CHAP. II.

AND the third day there was a marriage in [i] Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:

2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.

3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.

4 Jesus saith unto her, [l] Woman, [m] what have I to do with thee? [n] mine hour is not yet come.

5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do *it*.

6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, [r] after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.

7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.

8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare *it*.

9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,

10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: *but* thou hast kept the good wine until now.

11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, [s] and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

12 ¶ After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and [y] his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days.

13 ¶ And [z] the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,

14 And [a] found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:

15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not [c] my Father's house an house of merchandise.

17 And his disciples remembered that it was written, [d] The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

18 ¶ Then answered the Jews and said unto him, [e] What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?

A. D. 30.

[a] ch. 6. 29. Ps. 32. 2. 73. 1. Ro. 2. 28, 29. 9. 6.
[b] Mat. 24. 61. Mat. 4. 29.
[c] 1 Co. 3. 16. 6. 19. 2 Co. 6. 16. Col. 2. 9. He. 3. 2.
[d] Mat. 14. 33. 1 Jno. 4. 9.
[e] Lu. 24. 8.
[f] ch. 18. 37. 19. 3. Mat. 21. 5. 27. 11, 42.
[g] Ge. 28. 12. Mat. 4. 11. Lu. 2. 9, 13. Ac. 1. 10.
[h] ch. 6. 64. 16. 30. 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. Mat. 9. 4. Ac. 1. 24. Re. 2. 23.
[i] Jos. 19. 28.
[j] ch. 7. 30. 19. 23.
[k] ch. 9. 16, 33. Ac. 2. 22.
[l] ch. 19. 26.
[m] 2 Sa. 16. 10. 19. 22.
[n] Ac. 10. 36.
[o] ch. 7. 6.
[p] ch. 1. 13. Lu. 6. 34. Tit. 3. 5. Ja. 1. 18. 1 Pe. 1. 23. 1 Jno. 3. 9.
[o] or, *from above*. ver. 7.
[r] Mar. 7. 3.
[s] Ac. 2. 38. Ro. 8. 2. 1 Co. 6. 11. 1 Jno. 2. 29.
[t] Ec. 11. 5. 1 Co. 2. 11.
[u] ch. 6. 52, 60.
[v] ch. 1. 14.
[x] Mat. 11. 27.
[y] Mat. 12. 46.
[z] ch. 5. 1. 6. 4. 11. 55. Ex. 12. 14. De. 16. 1, 16.
[a] Pr. 30. 4. Ac. 2. 34. 1 Co. 15. 47. Ep. 4. 9, 10.
[b] Mar. 11. 15.
[c] Nu. 21. 9.
[d] ch. 8. 28. 12. 32.
[e] ch. 6. 47.
[f] Ro. 5. 8. 1 Jno. 4. 9.
[g] Lu. 2. 49.
[h] Ps. 69. 9.
[i] Lu. 9. 56. 1 Jno. 4. 14.
[k] ch. 6. 30. Mat. 12. 38.
[l] ch. 20. 31. Ro. 3. 21, 26. 5. 1. 6. 1, 24. Ep. 1. 13

19 Jesus answered and said unto them, [b] Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

21 But he spake [c] of the temple of his body.

22 When therefore he was risen from the dead, [d] his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

23 ¶ Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast *day*, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.

24 But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all *men*,

25 And needed not that any should testify of man: for [h] he knew what was in man.

CHAP. III.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:

2 The *same* came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for [k] no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except [l] God be with him.

3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, [p] Except a man be born [o] again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, [t] Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

8 The [t] wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

9 Nicodemus answered and said unto him, [u] How can these things be?

10 Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

11 Verily, [v] verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

12 If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you *of* heavenly things?

13 And [x] no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, *even* the Son of man which is in heaven.

14 ¶ And [c] as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so [d] must the Son of man be lifted up:

15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but [e] have eternal life.

16 ¶ For [f] God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For [i] God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

18 ¶ He [l] that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is

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condemned already, [a] because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

20 For [b] every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be [c] reproved.

21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

22 ¶ After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judæa; and there he tarried with them, [d] and baptized.

23 ¶ And John also was baptizing in Ænon near to [e] Salim, because there was much water there: [f] and they came, and were baptized.

24 For John was not yet cast into prison.

25 ¶ Then there arose a question between *some* of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying.

26 And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, [h] to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all *men* come to him.

27 John answered and said, [m] A man can † receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.

28 Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, [o] I am not the Christ, but [p] that I am sent before him.

29 He [r] that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but [s] the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

30 He must increase, but I *must* decrease.

31 He [u] that cometh from above [v] is above all: [x] he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: [y] he that cometh from heaven is above all.

32 And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony.

33 He that hath received his testimony hath [z] set to his seal that God is true.

34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit [a] by measure *unto him*.

35 The [b] Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.

36 He [c] that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but [d] the wrath of God abideth on him.

CHAP. IV.

WHEN therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and [e] baptized more disciples than John,

2 (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)

3 He left Judæa, and departed again into Galilee.

4 And he must needs go through Samaria.

5 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground [f] that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.

6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with *his* journey, sat thus on the well: *and* it was about the sixth hour.

7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for [g] the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee [h] living water.

11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

14 But [i] whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him [l] shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

15 The [m] woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.

16 Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither.

17 The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband:

18 For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly.

19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, [r] I perceive that thou art a prophet.

20 Our fathers worshipped in [s] this mountain; and ye say, that in [t] Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.

21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, [u] when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

22 Ye worship [x] ye know not what: we know what we worship: for [y] salvation is of the Jews.

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in [z] spirit [a] and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

24 God [b] *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.

26 Jesus saith unto her, [c] I that speak unto thee am *he*.

27 ¶ And upon this came his disciples, and marvelled that he talked with the woman: yet no man said, What seekest thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?

28 The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men,

29 Come, see a man, [d] which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?

30 Then [e] they went out of the city, and came unto him.

31 ¶ In the mean while his disciples prayed him, saying, Master, eat.

A. D. 30.

[a] Mar. 16. 16. Ac. 13. 46. 2 Th. 1. 8. 2. 12. He. 2. 3. Re. 21. 8.
[b] Job 24. 13, 17. Ep. 5. 13.
[c] 2 Ki. 17. 24. Lu. 9. 52, 53. Ac. 10. 28.
[d] or, *discovered*.
[e] Is. 12. 3. 44. 3. Je. 2. 13. Zec. 13. 1. 14. 8.
[f] ch. 4. 2.
[g] 1 Sa. 9. 4.
[h] Mat. 3. 5, 6.
[i] Mat. 14. 3.
[k] ch. 6. 35, 58.
[l] ch. 1. 7, 15, 27, 34.
[m] ch. 7. 39.
[n] 1 Co. 4. 7. He. 5. 4. Ja. 1. 17.
† or, *take unto himself*
[o] ch. 6. 34. 17. 2, 3. Ro. 6. 23. 1 Jno. 5. 20.
[p] ch. 1. 20, 27.
[q] Mal. 3. 1.
[r] 2 Co. 11. 2. Ep. 5. 25, 27. Re. 21. 9.
[s] Ca. 5. 1.
[t] ch. 6. 14. 7. 40. Lu. 7. 16. 24. 19.
[u] ch. 8. 23.
[v] ch. 1. 15, 27. Mat. 28. 18. Ro. 9. 5.
[x] 1 Co. 15. 47.
[y] Ju. 9. 7.
[z] Phi. 2. 9.
[a] De. 12. 5, 11. 1 Ki. 9. 3. 2 Ch. 7. 12.
[b] Mal. 1. 11. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[c] Ro. 3. 4.
[d] 2 Ki. 17. 28.
[e] Is. 2. 3. Ro. 9. 4, 5.
[f] ch. 1. 16.
[g] He. 2. 6.
[h] Phi. 3. 3.
[i] ch. 1. 17.
[k] Hab. 2. 4. Ro. 1. 17. 1 Jno. 5. 11.
[l] 2 Co. 3. 17.
[m] Pa. 2. 12. Ro. 2. 5. 1 Th. 1. 10. He. 10. 29.
[n] ch. 3. 22, 26.
[o] ch. 9. 37. Is. 65. 1. Mat. 26. 63, 64. Mar. 14. 61, 62.
[p] Ge. 33. 19. 48. 22. Jos. 24. 32.
[r] ver. 25. ch. 1. 47, 49.
[s] Is. 60. 8.

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32 But he said unto them, [a] I have meat to eat that ye know not of.

33 Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him *ought* to eat?

34 Jesus saith unto them, [b] My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to [c] finish his work.

35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and *then* cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; [d] for they are white already to harvest.

36 And [e] he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

37 And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.

38 I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours.

39 ¶ And [f] many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him [g] for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did.

40 So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days.

41 And [h] many more believed because of his own word;

42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: [i] for we have heard *him* ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.

43 ¶ Now after two days he departed thence, and went into Galilee.

44 For [k] Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath no honour in his own country.

45 Then when he was come into Galilee, the Galilæans received him, [l] having seen all the things that he did at Jerusalem at the feast: [m] for they also went unto the feast.

46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, [n] where he made the water wine. And there was a certain [t] nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.

47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death.

48 Then said Jesus unto him, [p] Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.

49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come [q] down ere my child die.

50 Jesus saith unto him, [r] Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.

51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told *him*, saying, Thy son liveth.

52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.

53 So the father knew that *it was* at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house.

54 This *is* again the second miracle *that* Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

CHAP. V.

AFTER [s] this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

A. D. 30.

[a] Ja. 53. 11. Je. 15. 16.
[b] Ne. 3. 1. 12. 39.
[c] or, gate.
[c] ch. 6. 38. 17. 4. 19. 30. Joh 23. 12.
[d] He. 12. 2.
[e] Mat. 9. 37. Lu. 10. 2.
[f] Da. 12. 3. 1 Co. 9. 19. 23. Phl. 2. 15, 16. 1 Th. 2. 19.
[g] Ac. 10. 33. 28. 28. Ro. 5. 20.
[h] Mat. 9. 6, 7. Mar. 2. 11, 12 Lu. 5. 24...25
[i] ver. 29.
[k] ch. 9. 14.
[l] Ex. 20. 10. Ne. 13. 19. Je. 17. 21, &c. Mat. 12. 2. Mar. 3. 4. Lu. 13. 14
[m] 1 Co. 2. 4, 5. Ec. 4. 12.
[n] ch. 17. 8. 1 Jno. 4. 14.
[t] or, *from the multitude that was.*
[o] Mat. 13. 57. Mar. 6. 4. Lu. 4. 24.
[p] ch. 8. 11. Mat. 12. 45.
[q] ch. 2. 23. 3. 2.
[r] De. 16. 16.
[s] ch. 2. 1, 11.
[t] or, *courtier*, or, *ruler.*
[u] ch. 9. 4. 11. 10.
[v] ch. 7. 19.
[x] ch. 10. 30, 33. Phl. 2. 6.
[y] Nu. 14. 11. Mat. 16. 1. Ac. 2. 22. 1 Co. 1. 22.
[z] ver. 30. ch. 12. 49. 14. 10.
[a] Ps. 40. 17. 86. 10...12.
[b] Ac. 14. 9, 10. Ro. 4. 20, 21. He. 11. 13.
[c] ch. 3. 35. Mat. 3. 17. 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[d] ch. 11. 25, 43. Lu. 7. 14. 8. 54.
[e] ch. 3. 35. 17. 2. Mat. 11. 27. 28. 18. Ac 17. 31. 1 Pe. 4. 5.
[f] 1 Jno. 2. 23.
[g] ch. 3. 16, 18. 6. 40, 47. 8 51. 20. 31.
[h] Le 23 2, &c.
[i] 1 Jno. 3. 14.

2 Now there is at Jerusalem [h] by the sheep *market* a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches.

3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water.

4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had.

5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.

6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time *in that case*, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?

7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

8 Jesus saith unto him, [i] Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.

9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and [k] on the same day was the sabbath.

10 ¶ The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: [l] it is not lawful for thee to carry *thy* bed.

11 He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk.

12 Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk?

13 And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, [t] a multitude being in *that* place.

14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: [p] sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.

15 The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole.

16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day.

17 ¶ But Jesus answered them, [u] My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.

18 Therefore the Jews [x] sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, [z] making himself equal with God.

19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, [a] The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

20 For [c] the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.

21 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; [d] even so the Son quickeneth whom he will.

22 For the Father judgeth no man, but [e] hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

23 That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. [f] He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, [g] He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; [i] but is passed from death unto life.

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25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when [a] the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son *to have* life in himself;

27 And [c] hath given him authority to execute judgment also, [d] because he is the Son of man.

28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

29 And *shall come forth;* [e] they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because [h] I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

31 If [i] I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.

32 [k] There [l] is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.

33 Ye sent unto John, [l] and he bare witness unto the truth.

34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved.

35 He was a burning and [m] a shining light: and [n] ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

36 ¶ But [p] I have *greater* witness than *that* of John: for [r] the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

37 And the Father himself, which hath sent me, [t] hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor [u] seen his shape.

38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

39 ¶ Search [w] the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and [x] they are they which testify of me.

40 And [y] ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

41 I [z] receive not honour from men.

42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.

43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

44 How can ye believe, [b] which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only?

45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: [c] there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses, in whom ye trust.

46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: [d] for he wrote of me.

47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

CHAP. VI.

AFTER [e] these things Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is *the sea* of Tiberias.

2 And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased.

3 And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples.

4 And [f] the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.

5 ¶ When Jesus then lifted up *his* eyes, and saw a great company come unto him,

A. D. 31.

[a] Ep. 2. 1, 5. 5. 14. Col. 2. 13.
[b] Nu. 11. 21, 22
[c] Ac. 10. 42. 17. 31.
[d] Da. 7. 13, 14. Phi. 2. 7...11.
[e] 2 Ki. 4. 43.
[f] Is. 26. 19. 1 Th. 4. 16. 1 Co. 15. 52
[g] Da. 12. 2. Mat. 25. 32, 33, 46.
[h] ch. 4. 34. 6. 38. Mat. 26. 39.
[i] ch. 8. 14. Re. 3. 14.
[k] Mat. 3. 17. 17. 5. 1 Jno. 5. 6, 7, 9
[l] ch. 1. 15, 19, 27, 32.
[m] 2 Pe. 1. 19.
[n] Mat. 13. 20. 21. 26. Mar. 6. 20.
[o] ch. 1. 21. 4. 19, 25. 7. 40. Ge. 49. 10. Mat. 11. 3.
[p] 1 Jno. 5. 9.
[r] ch. 3. 2. 10. 25. 15. 24.
[t] Mat. 14. 23, &c. Mar. 6. 47, &c.
[t] ch. 6. 27. 8. 18. Mat. 3. 17. 17. 5.
[u] ch. 1. 18. De. 4. 12. 1 Ti. 1. 17. 1 Jno. 4. 12.
[w] Is. 8. 20. 34. 16. Lu. 16. 29. Ac. 17. 11.
[x] ch. 1. 45. De. 18. 15, 18 Lu. 24. 27.
[y] ch. 1. 11. 3. 19.
[z] Ps 35. 3. Is. 43. 2, 3.
[a] 1 Th. 2. 6.
[b] ch. 12. 43. Ro. 2. 29.
[c] Ro. 2. 12.
[d] Ge. 3. 15. 12. 3. 18. 18. 22. 18. 49. 10. Ac. 26. 22.
[e] Mat. 14. 15, &c. Mar. 6. 35, &c. Lu. 9. 10, &c.
[f] ch. 2. 13. 5. 1. Le. 23. 5, 7. De. 16. 1.
[g] or, *Work not.*
[h] ch. 4. 14. Ps. 119. 103. Is. 55. 1, 2. Je. 15. 16.

he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?

6 And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, [k] Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.

8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him,

9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: [l] but what are they among so many?

10 And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand.

11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.

13 Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth [o] that prophet that should come into the world.

15 ¶ When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, *to* make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

16 And [s] when even was *now* come, his disciples went down unto the sea,

17 And entered into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them.

18 And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew.

19 So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship: and they were afraid.

20 But he saith unto them, [s] It is I; be not afraid.

21 Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went.

22 ¶ The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but *that* his disciples were gone away alone;

23 (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:)

24 When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus.

25 And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when camest thou hither?

26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

27 [t] Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but [t] for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the

[k] ch. 12. 5. 14. 5.
[l] Nu. 11. 21, 22
[o] De. 18. 15, 18.
[s] Mat. 14. 27. Mar. 6. 50.
[t] Is. 55. 2.

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Son of man shall give unto you: [a] for him hath God the Father sealed.

28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This [d] is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

30 They said therefore unto him, [e] What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work?

31 Our [f] fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, [g] He gave them bread from heaven to eat.

32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.

33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

34 Then [i] said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread.

35 And Jesus said unto them, [k] I am the bread of life: [m] he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

36 But [n] I said unto you, That ye also have seen me, and believe not.

37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and [r] him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

38 For I came down from heaven, [s] not to do mine own will, [t] but the will of him that sent me.

39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, [v] that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

40 And this is the will of him that sent me, [y] that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, I am the bread which came down from heaven.

42 And they said, [a] Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven?

43 Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, Murmur not among yourselves.

44 No [c] man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

45 It [f] is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

46 Not [h] that any man hath seen the Father, [k] save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.

47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, [m] He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

48 I am that bread of life.

49 Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

50 This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

51 I am the living bread [o] which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and [r] the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

52 The Jews therefore [u] strove among themselves, saying, [v] How can this man give us *his* flesh to eat?

A. D. 32.

[a] Mat. 3. 17. Lu. 9. 35. Ac. 2. 22. 2 Pe. 1. 17.
[b] Mat. 26. 26, 28.
[c] ver. 63. Pr. 9. 4..6.
[d] 1 Jno. 3. 23.
[e] Mat. 12. 38. Mar. 8. 11. 1 Co. 1. 22.
[f] 1 Jno. 3. 24. 4. 13, 16.
[g] Ex. 16. 15. Nu. 11. 7. Ne. 9. 15. 1 Co. 10. 3. Ps. 78. 24, 25.
[i] ch. 4. 15.
[k] Mat. 11. 6.
[l] ver. 48, 58. 1 Co. 10. 16.
[m] ch. 7. 37. Is. 49. 10.
[n] ver. 26, 64.
[o] Mar. 16. 19. Ac. 1. 9. Ep. 4. 8.
[p] 2 Co. 3. 6.
[r] ch. 10. 28, 29. Mat. 24. 24. 2 Ti. 2. 19. 1 Jno. 2. 19.
[s] Mat. 26. 39.
[t] ch. 4. 34.
[u] ch. 2. 24, 25. 13. 11.
[v] ch. 17. 6. 17. 12. 18. 9.
[x] ver. 44, 45.
[y] ch. 3. 15, 16. Ro. 5. 21. 1 Jno. 2. 25. 5. 11..13.
[a] Mat. 13. 55. Mar. 6. 3. Lu. 4. 22.
[c] Ac. 5. 20.
[h] ch. 1. 49. 11. 27. Mat. 16. 16. Ro. 1. 3.
[f] Lu. 6. 13.
[d] ch. 13. 27.
[e] ver. 65. Ca. 1. 4.
[f] Is. 54. 13. Je. 31. 34. Mi. 4. 2. He. 8. 10. 10. 16.
[g] ch. 5. 16, 18.
[h] ch. 1. 18. 1 Jno. 4. 12.
[i] Lu. 22. 34.
[k] ch. 7. 29. 8. 19. Mat. 11. 27.
[l] Mat. 12. 46. Ac. 1. 14.
[m] ch. 3. 16, 18, 36.
[n] Mar. 3. 21.
[o] ch. 3. 13.
[p] ch. 2. 4. 8. 20.
[r] He. 10. 5, 10.
[s] ch. 15. 19.
[t] ch. 3. 19.
[u] ch. 7. 43. 9. 16. 10. 19. Ac. 23. 7.
[v] ch. 3. 9.

53 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except [b] ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.

54 Whoso [e] eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

55 For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

56 He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, [f] dwelleth in me, and I in him.

57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.

58 This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.

59 These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.

60 Many [h] therefore of his disciples, when they had heard *this*, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?

61 When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, Doth this offend you?

62 *What* [o] and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before?

63 It [p] is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.

64 But there are some of you that believe not. For [u] Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him.

65 And he said, Therefore [x] said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.

66 ¶ From that *time* many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the [c] words of eternal life.

69 And [b] we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

70 Jesus answered them, [d] Have not I chosen you twelve, [d] and one of you is a devil?

71 He spake of Judas Iscariot *the son* of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve.

CHAP. VII.

AFTER these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the [g] Jews sought to kill him.

2 Now [i] the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.

3 His [l] brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judæa, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest.

4 For *there is* no man *that* doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.

5 For [m] neither did his brethren believe in him.

6 Then Jesus said unto them, [p] My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready.

7 The [s] world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, [t] because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil.

8 Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up

[b] ch. 1. 49. 11. 27. Mat. 16. 16. Ro. 1. 3.
[c] Lu. 6. 13.
[d] ch. 13. 27.
[e] ver. 65. Ca. 1. 4.
[f] Is. 54. 13. Je. 31. 34. Mi. 4. 2. He. 8. 10. 10. 16.
[g] ch. 5. 16, 18.
[h] ch. 1. 18. 1 Jno. 4. 12.
[i] Lu. 22. 34.
[k] ch. 7. 29. 8. 19. Mat. 11. 27.
[l] Mat. 12. 46. Ac. 1. 14.
[m] ch. 3. 16, 18, 36.
[n] Mar. 3. 21.
[o] ch. 3. 13.
[p] ch. 2. 4. 8. 20.
[r] He. 10. 5, 10.
[s] ch. 15. 19.
[t] ch. 3. 19.
[u] ch. 7. 43. 9. 16. 10. 19. Ac. 23. 7.
[v] ch. 3. 9.

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yet unto this feast; for my time is not yet full come.

9 When he had said these words unto them, he abode *still* in Galilee.

10 ¶ But when his brethren were gone up, then went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret.

11 Then [b] the Jews sought him at the feast, and said, Where is he?

12 And [d] there was much murmuring among the people concerning him: for some said, [f] He is a good man: others said, Nay; but he deceiveth the people.

13 Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.

14 ¶ Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught.

15 And [i] the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man † letters, having never learned?

16 Jesus answered them, and said, [l] My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.

17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself.

18 He [p] that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

19 Did [t] not Moses give you the law, and *yet* none of you keepeth the law? Why go ye about to kill me?

20 The people answered and said, Thou hast a devil: who goeth about to kill thee?

21 Jesus answered and said unto them, I have done one work, and ye all marvel.

22 Moses [x] therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, [z] but of the fathers;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man.

23 If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, ‡ that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day?

24 Judge [b] not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

25 Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this he, whom they seek to kill?

26 But, lo, he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is the very Christ?

27 Howbeit we know this man whence he is: but when Christ cometh, no man knoweth whence he is.

28 Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, [f] Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me [§] is true, [h] whom ye know not.

29 But [i] I know him: for I am from him, and he hath sent me.

30 Then [k] they sought to take him: but no [l] man laid hands on him, because his hour was not yet come.

31 And [m] many of the people believed on him, and said, When Christ cometh, will he do more miracles than these which this *man* hath done?

32 ¶ The Pharisees heard that the people murmured such things concerning him; and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take him.

33 Then said Jesus unto them, [o] Yet a little while am I with you, and *then* I go unto him that sent me.

34 Ye [p] shall seek me, and shall not find *me:* and where I am, *thither* ye cannot come.

35 Then said the Jews among themselves, Whither will he go, that we shall not find him? will he go unto [q] the dispersed among the [q] Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles?

36 What *manner of* saying is this that he said, Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me:* and where I am, *thither* ye cannot come?

37 In [r] the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, [r] If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, [s] out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

39 (But [t] this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet *given;* because that Jesus was not yet [t] glorified.)

40 ¶ Many *of the people* therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is [u] the Prophet.

41 Others said, [v] This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come [v] out of Galilee?

42 Hath not the scripture said, [w] That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, [x] where David was?

43 So [y] there was a division among the people because of him.

44 And some of them would have taken him; but no man laid hands on him.

45 ¶ Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought him?

46 The officers answered, [z] Never man spake like this man.

47 Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived?

48 Have [a] any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him?

49 But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed.

50 Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came [§] to Jesus by night, being one of them,)

51 Doth [d] our law judge *any* man, before it hear him, and know what he doeth?

52 They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for [c] out of Galilee ariseth no prophet.

53 And every man went unto his own house.

CHAP. VIII.

JESUS went unto the mount of Olives.

2 And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them.

3 And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst,

4 They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.

5 Now [b] Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?

6 This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with *his* finger wrote on the ground, *as though he heard them not.*

7 So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, [c] He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.

8 And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground.

A. D. 32.

[a] Is. 11. 12. Ja. 1. 1. 1 Pe. 1. 1.
[c] or, *Greeks.*
[b] ch. 11. 56.
[e] Le. 23. 36.
[d] ch. 9. 16. 10. 19.
[e] ch. 6. 35. Is. 55. 1. Re. 22. 17.
[f] Mat. 21. 46. Lu. 7. 16.
[g] ch. 4. 14. Pr. 18. 4. Is. 12. 3. 44. 3.
[h] ch. 16. 7. Is. 44. 3. Joel 2. 28. Ac. 2. 17, 33. 38.
[i] Mat. 13. 54. Ac. 2. 7.
† or, *learning.*
[k] ch. 12. 16.
[l] ch. 3. 11.
[m] ch. 1. 31. 6. 14. De. 18. 15, 18
[n] ch. 4. 42. 6. 69.
[o] ch. 1. 46.
[p] ch. 5. 41. 8. 50.
[r] Ps. 132. 11. Je. 23. 5. Mi. 5. 2.
[s] 1 Sa. 16. 1, 4.
[t] Ex. 24. 3. De. 31. 9. 33. 4. Ac. 7. 38.
[u] ch. 9. 16. 10. 19.
[v] ch. 10. 20.
[x] Le. 12. 3.
[y] Mat. 7. 29.
[z] Ge. 17. 10.
‡ or, *without breaking the law of Moses.*
[a] ch. 12. 42. Ac. 6. 7. 1 Co. 1. 20, 26. 2. 8.
[b] De. 1. 16, 17. Pr. 24. 23. Ja. 2. 1.
[c] ch. 3. 2.
§ *to him.*
[d] De. 1. 17. 17. 8, &c. 19. 15.
[e] Is. 9. 1, 2. Mat. 4. 15.
[f] ch. 8. 14.
[g] Ro. 3. 4.
[h] ch. 1. 18.
[i] ch. 10. 15. Mat. 11. 27.
[k] Mar. 11. 18. Lu. 19. 47. 20. 19.
[l] Ps. 76. 10.
[m] ch. 3. 2. Mat. 12. 23.
[n] Le. 20. 10. De. 22. 22.
[o] ch. 13. 33. 16. 16.
[p] Ho. 5. 6.
[r] De. 17. 7. Ro. 2. 1.

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9 And they which heard *it*, [a] being convicted by *their own* conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, *even* unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.

10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?

11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, [c] Neither do I condemn thee: go, and [d] sin no more.

12 ¶ Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, [e] I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

13 The Pharisees therefore said unto him, [f] Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true.

14 Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of myself, *yet* my record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but [g] ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go.

15 Ye judge after the flesh; [h] I judge no man.

16 And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for [i] I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me.

17 It [k] is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.

18 I am one that bear witness of myself, and [l] the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.

19 Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, [m] Ye neither know me, nor my Father: [n] if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.

20 These words spake Jesus in [o] the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on him; for his hour was not yet come.

21 Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and [p] ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.

22 Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come.

23 And he said unto them, [q] Ye are from beneath; I am from above: [r] ye are of this world; I am not of this world.

24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: [s] for if ye believe not that I am *he*, ye shall die in your sins.

25 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them, Even *the same* that I said unto you from the beginning.

26 I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and [t] I speak to the world those things which I have heard of him.

27 They understood not that he spake to them of the Father.

28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have [u] lifted up the Son of man, [v] then shall ye know that I am *he*, and [w] *that* I do nothing of myself; but [x] as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

29 And [y] he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; [z] for I do always those things that please him.

30 As he spake these words, [a] many believed on him.

31 Then said Jesus *to* those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, *then* are ye my disciples indeed;

A. D. 32.

[a] Ps. 50. 21. Ec. 7. 22. Ro. 2. 22. 1 Jno. 3. 20.
[b] Ro. 6.14,18, 22. Ja. 1. 25. 2. 12.
[c] Le. 25. 42. Mat. 3. 9.
[d] Ro. 6 16,20. 2 Pe. 2. 19.
[e] Ga. 4. 30.
[f] ch. 3. 17. Lu. 9. 56. 12. 14. 1 Co. 5. 12.
[g] ch. 5. 14.
[h] Ro. 8. 2. Ga. 5. 1.
[i] ch. 1. 4,5,9. 3. 19.
[k] ch. 3. 32. 5.19,30. 14.10,24.
[l] ch. 5. 31.
[m] Ro. 2. 28. 9. 7. Ga. 3. 29.
[n] ch. 7. 28. 9. 29.
[o] ch. 18. 36.
[p] ver. 33.
[q] ch. 16. 33.
[r] Is. 63. 16. 64. 8. Mal. 1. 6.
[s] De. 17. 6. 19. 15. Mat. 18. 16. 2 Co. 13. 1. He. 10. 28.
[t] 1 Jno. 5. 1.
[u] ch. 16. 27. 17. 8,25.
[x] ch. 5. 42.
[y] ch. 5. 37.
[z] ver. 55. ch. 16. 3.
[a] Mat. 13. 38. 1 Jno. 3. 8.
[b] ch. 14. 7.
[c] Jude 6.
[d] Mar. 12. 41.
[e] ch. 13. 33.
[f] ch.10.26,27. 1 Jno. 4. 6.
[g] ch. 3. 31.
[h] ch. 15. 19. 17. 16. 1 Jno. 4. 5.
[i] ch. 7. 20. 10. 20.
[k] Mar. 16. 16.
[l] ch. 5. 24. 11. 26. Ro.10 12.14
[m] ch. 15. 15.
[n] Zec. 1. 5.
[o] ch. 3. 14. 12. 32.
[p] Ro. 1. 4.
[q] ch. 5. 19,30.
[r] ch. 3. 11.
[s] ch. 5. 31.
[t] ch. 5. 41. 16. 14. 17. 1. Ac. 3. 13.
[u] ch.14.10,11.
[x] ch. 4. 34. 5. 30. 6. 38.
[y] ch. 10. 42. 11. 45. Ep. 1. 13.
[z] Ge. 22. 18. Ga. 3. 7, 9.
[a] He. 11. 13.

32 And ye shall know the truth, and the [b] truth shall make you free.

33 ¶ They answered him, [c] We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?

34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, [d] Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

35 And [e] the servant abideth not in the house for ever: *but* the Son abideth ever.

36 If [f] the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

37 I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.

38 I [g] speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father.

39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, [h] If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.

40 But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, [i] which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham.

41 Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; [k] we have one Father, *even* God.

42 Jesus said unto them, [l] If God were your Father, ye would love me: [m] for I proceeded forth and came from God; [n] neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

43 Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.

44 Ye [o] are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and [p] abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

45 And because I tell *you* the truth, ye believe me not.

46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?

47 He [q] that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear *them* not, because ye are not of God.

48 Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and [r] hast a devil?

49 Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me.

50 And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth.

51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man [s] keep my saying, he shall never see death.

52 Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. [t] Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.

53 Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself?

54 Jesus answered, [u] If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: [x] it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:

55 Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying.

56 Your father Abraham [y] rejoiced to see my day: [z] and he saw *it*, and was glad.

57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou

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art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, [e] I am.

59 Then [d] took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, [e] going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

CHAP. IX.

AND as *Jesus* passed by, he saw a man which was blind from *his* birth.

2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, [h] who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?

3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: [i] but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

4 I [k] must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

5 As long as I am in the world, [l] I am the light of the world.

6 When he had thus spoken, [m] he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he [n] anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

7 And said unto him, Go, wash [p] in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) [r] He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

8 [q] The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?

9 Some said, This is he: others *said*, He is like him: *but* he said, I am *he*.

10 Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?

11 He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.

12 Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.

13 [t] They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.

14 And [v] it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.

15 Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.

16 Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said, How can a [w] man that is a sinner do such miracles? And [x] there was a division among them.

17 They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said, [y] He is a prophet.

18 But [z] the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.

19 And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?

20 His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

21 But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

A. D. 32.

[a] ch. 12. 42. 19. 38. Ac. 5. 13.
[b] ch. 16. 2.
[c] ch. 17. 5, 24. Ex. 3. 14. Is. 43. 13. Col. 1. 17. Re. 1. 8.
[d] ch. 10 31, 39. 11. 8.
[e] Lu. 4. 30.
[f] Jos. 7. 19. 1 Sa. 6. 5.
[g] ver. 16.
[h] ver. 34.
[i] ch. 11. 4.
[k] ch. 4. 34. 5. 19, 36. 11. 9. 12. 35. 17. 4.
[l] ch. 3. 19, 21. 8. 12. 12. 35, 46.
[m] Mar. 7. 33. 8. 23.
[n] ch. 8. 14.
[o] or, *spread the clay upon the eyes of the blind man.*
[p] ch. 3. 10.
[q] Ne. 3. 15.
[r] 2 Ki. 5. 14.
[s] Job 27. 9. Ps. 18. 41. 66. 18. Pr. 1. 28. 28. 9. Is. 1. 15. Je. 14. 12. Eze. 8. 18. Mi. 3. 4. Zec. 7. 13.
[t] ver. 2.
[v] or, *excommunicated him.* ver. 22.
[w] ch. 10. 36. Mat. 14. 33. 16. 16. Mar. 1. 1. 1 Jno. 5. 13.
[x] Lu. 13. 17. 17.
[a] ch. 4. 26.
[y] ch 3. 17. 5. 22, 27. 12. 47.
[z] Mat. 12. 13.
[a] ver. 33. ch. 3. 2.
[b] Ro. 2. 19.
[c] ch. 7. 12, 43. 10. 19. Ac. 14. 4.
[d] ch. 15. 22, 24.
[e] ch. 4. 19. 6. 14.
[f] Ge. 19. 14. Is. 25. 11. 53. 1. He. 3. 16..19 4. 11.
[g] Je. 29. 31, 33. Eze. 13. 2..6. 2 Pe. 2. 1. 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[h] Ro. 10. 13. 1 Pe. 1. 10.
[i] Ga. 5. 24. Ep. 2. 10. 5. 1, &c. 1 Pe. 2. 9, 21. 1 Jno. 1. 6, 7.

22 These *words* spake his parents, because [e] they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he [b] should be put out of the synagogue.

23 Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

24 Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, [f] Give God the praise: [g] we know that this man is a sinner.

25 He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner *or no*, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

26 Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

27 He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear *it* again? will ye also be his disciples?

28 Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

29 We know that God spake unto Moses: *as for* this *fellow*, we [m] know not from whence he is.

30 The man answered and said unto them, [n] Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and *yet* he hath opened mine eyes.

31 Now we know that [o] God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

32 Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

33 If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.

34 They answered and said unto him, [t] Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they [v] cast him out.

35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on [w] the Son of God?

36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and [x] it is he that talketh with thee.

38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

39 [y] And Jesus said, [z] For judgment I am come into this world, [a] that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

40 And *some* of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, [b] and said unto him, Are we blind also?

41 Jesus said unto them, [d] If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

CHAP. X.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, [f] He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

2 But [h] he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep [i] follow him: for they know his voice.

5 And a stranger will they not follow,

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but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

6 This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

7 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

9 I *f* am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.

11 I *f* am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

13 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and [m] leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.

13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd, and [r] know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.

15 As [t] the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: [u] and I lay down my life for the sheep.

16 And [x] other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; [y] and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.

17 Therefore doth my Father love me, [z] because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I [a] have power to take it again. [b] This commandment have I received of my Father.

19 ¶ There *f* was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.

20 And many of them said, [c] He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?

21 Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. [d] Can a devil open [e] the eyes of the blind?

22 ¶ And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.

23 And Jesus walked in the temple [g] in Solomon's porch.

24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou [h] make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.

25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: [r] the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

26 But [i] ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

27 My [k] sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

28 And I give unto them eternal life; and [l] they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.

29 My [t] Father, [p] which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

30 I [r] and *my* Father are one.

31 Then [s] the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

33 The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, [u] makest thyself God.

34 Jesus answered them, [b] Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

35 If he called them gods, [c] unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

36 Say ye of him, [d] whom the Father hath sanctified, and [e] sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the [f] Son of God?

37 If [g] I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

38 But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe [i] the works: that ye may know, and believe, [k] that the Father *is* in me, and I in him.

39 Therefore [m] they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,

40 And went away again beyond Jordan into the place [n] where John at first baptized; and there he abode.

41 And many resorted unto him, and said, John did no miracle: [p] but all things that John spake of this man were true.

42 And [q] many believed on him there.

CHAP. XI.

NOW a certain *man* was sick, *named* Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of [r] Mary and her sister Martha.

2 (It [s] was *that* Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)

3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.

4 When Jesus heard *that*, he said, This sickness is not unto death, [t] but for the glory of God, [u] that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.

5 Now Jesus [x] loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, [i] he abode two days still in the same place where he was.

7 Then after that saith he to *his* disciples, Let us go into Judæa again.

8 *His* disciples say unto him, Master, the [m] Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?

9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? [r] If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.

10 But [p] if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus [z] sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.

12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

13 Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken [a] of taking of rest in sleep.

14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

15 And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.

16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellowdisciples, Let us also go, [b] that we may die with him.

17 Then when Jesus came, he found that he had *lain* in the grave four days already.

[a] ch. 5. 18.
[b] Ps. 82. 6.
[c] Ro. 13. 1.
[d] ch. 6. 27.
[e] ch. 3. 17. 5.36,37. 8. 42.
[f] ch. 14. 6. Ep. 2. 18.
[g] ch. 9. 35,37. Lu. 1. 35.
[h] ch. 15. 24.
[i] ch. 5. 36. 14.10,11.
[k] ch. 17. 21.
[l] Is. 40. 11. Eze. 34. 12, 23. 37. 24. He. 13. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 25. 5. 4.
[m] ch. 7. 30,44.
[n] Zec. 11. 16, 17.
[o] ch. 1. 29.
[p] ch. 3. 30.
[r] 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[s] ch. 8. 30. 11. 45.
[t] Mat. 11. 27.
[u] ch. 15. 13.
[x] Lu. 10.38,39
[y] Is. 42. 1..6. 49. 6. 56. 8..8.
[z] ch. 12. 3. Mat. 26. 7. Mar. 14. 3.
[a] Eze. 37. 22. Ep. 2. 14.
[b] Is.53.7,8,12. He. 2. 9.
[c] ch. 8. 19.
[d] ver. 40. ch. 9. 3.
[e] ch. 15. 10. Ac. 2.24,32.
[f] Phi. 1. 20. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[g] ch. 7. 43.
[h] 1 Jno. 4.7,8, 16.
[i] ch. 7. 30. 8. 59.
[k] ch. 10. 40.
[l] Ex. 4. 11. Ps. 94. 9. 146. 8.
[m] ch. 9. 6,7,32, 33.
[n] ch. 10. 31.
[o] Ac. 3. 1. 5. 12.
[p] ch. 9. 4.
[q] or, *held us in suspense.*
[r] ch. 12 35. 1 Jno. 2. 10, 11.
[s] ch. 3. 2. 5. 36.
[t] De. 31. 16. Da. 12. 2. Mat. 9. 24. Ac. 7. 60. 1 Co. 15. 18, 51.
[u] ch. 8. 47. 1 Jno. 4. 6.
[x] ver. 4, 14.
[y] ch. 6. 37. 18. 9.
[z] ch. 14. 28.
[a] ch. 17. 2. 6, &c.
[b] ch.17.11,22.
[c] ch. 8. 59.
[d] Lu. 22. 33.

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18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, [e] about fifteen furlongs off:

19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat *still* in the house.

21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

22 But I know, that even now, [f] whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give *it* thee.

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

24 Martha saith unto him, [g] I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

25 Jesus said unto her, I am [h] the resurrection, and [i] the life: [m] he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: [r] I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

28 And when she had so said, she went her way, [t] and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

29 As [u] soon as she heard *that*, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

31 The [y] Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.

32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, [x] he groaned in the spirit, and [†] was troubled,

34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

35 Jesus [z] wept.

36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!

37 And some of them said, Could not this man, [a] which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?

38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been *dead* four days.

40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest [b] see the glory of God?

41 Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, [c] Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

42 And I knew that thou hearest me always: but [m] because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, [n] Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and [o] his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, [c] and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.

46 But [d] some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.

47 ¶ Then [f] gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, [g] What do we? for this man doeth many miracles.

48 If we let him thus alone, all *men* will believe on him: and [i] the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.

49 And one of them, *named* [m] Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, [q] Ye know nothing at all,

50 Nor consider [p] that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.

51 And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, [s] he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;

52 And [u] not for that nation only, [v] but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad.

53 Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.

54 Jesus [x] therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called [o] Ephraim, and there continued with his disciples.

55 ¶ And [b] the Jews' passover was nigh at hand: and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves.

56 Then [c] sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye, that he will not come to the feast?

57 Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment, that, if any man knew where he were, he should shew *it*, that they might take him.

CHAP. XII.

THEN Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, [f] where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead.

2 There [h] they made him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him.

3 Then took [i] Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.

4 Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, which should betray him,

5 Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor?

6 This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and [m] had the bag, and bare what was put therein.

7 Then said Jesus, Let her alone:

A. D. 33.

[e] Ac. 3. 6, 12. 9. 34.
[e] That is, *about two miles.*
[b] ch. 20. 7.
[c] ch. 2. 23. 10. 42. 12. 11. 18.
[d] Ac. 5. 25.
[e] ch. 9. 31.
[f] Ps. 2. 2. Mat. 26. 3. Mar. 14. 1. Lu. 22. 2.
[g] ch. 12. 19. Ac. 4. 16.
[h] ch. 5. 29. Lu. 14. 14.
[i] De. 28. 49. 68 Da. 9. 26, 27. Zec. 13. 7, 8.
[k] ch. 5. 21. 6. 39, 40, 44.
[l] ch. 1. 4. 6. 35. 14. 6. Col. 3. 4. 1 Jno. 1. 1, 2.
[m] ch. 3. 36. 1 Jno. 5. 10, &c.
[n] Lu. 3. 2. Ac. 4. 6.
[o] Pr. 26. 12. Is. 5. 20, 21. 1 Co. 1. 20.
[p] ch. 18. 14. Ro. 3. 8.
[r] ch. 4. 42. 6. 14, 69. Mat. 16. 16.
[s] Nu. 24. 2. 1 Co. 13. 2.
[t] 1 Th. 5. 11. He. 12. 12.
[u] Is. 49. 6. 1 Jno. 2. 2.
[v] ch. 10. 16. Ep. 2. 14..17 Col. 1. 20..22
[x] Ps. 27. 8. 119. 59, 60.
[y] Ro. 12. 15. 1 Th. 4. 18.
[z] ch. 4. 1, 3. 7. 1.
[a] 2 Ch. 13. 19.
[b] ch. 2. 13. 5. 1. 6. 4.
[c] ch. 11. 7.
[d] He. 4. 15. 5. 7, 8.
[†] *he troubled himself.*
[e] Job 30. 25. Ps. 119. 136. Is. 53. 3. 63. 9. Je. 9. 1. La. 19. 41. He. 5. 16.
[f] ch. 9. 6.
[g] ch. 11. 1, 43.
[h] Mat. 26. 6. &c. Mar. 14. 3, &c.
[i] ch. 11. 2. Lu. 10. 38, 39
[k] ver. 4, 23. 2 Co. 5. 16. 4. 6.
[l] Phi. 4. 6.
[m] ch. 12. 30.
[n] ch. 13. 29.

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against the day of my burying hath she kept this.

8 For the poor always ye have with you; but me ye have not always.

9 Much people of the Jews therefore knew that he was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, [d] whom he had raised from the dead.

10 ¶ But [e] the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;

11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus.

12 ¶ On [h] the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,

13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, [i] Hosanna: Blessed *is* the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

14 And [m] Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,

15 Fear [k] not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.

16 These things [p] understood not his disciples at the first: [r] but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and *that* they had done these things unto him.

17 The people therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of his grave, and raised him from the dead, bare record.

18 For this cause the people also met him, for that they heard that he had done this miracle.

19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, [s] Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after him.

20 ¶ And there [t] were certain Greeks among them [h] that came up to worship at the feast:

21 The same came therefore to Philip, which [u] was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.

22 Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus.

23 ¶ And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified.

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, [k] Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but [k] if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

25 He [m] that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and [s] where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.

27 Now [p] is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: [r] but for this cause came I unto this hour.

28 Father, glorify thy name. [w] Then came there a voice from heaven, *saying*, I have both glorified *it*, and will glorify *it* again.

29 The people therefore, that stood by, and heard *it*, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him.

30 Jesus answered and said, [x] This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.

31 Now is the judgment of this world: now shall [a] the prince of this world be cast out.

A. D. 33.

[d] Ro. 5. 18. He. 2. 9.
[b] ch. 18. 32.
[c] Ps. 89. 35, 37. 110. 4. Is. 9. 7. 53. 8. Eze. 37. 25. Da. 7. 14, 27. Mi. 4. 7.
[d] ch. 11. 43., 45.
[e] Lu. 16. 31.
[f] Je. 13. 16. Ep. 5. 8.
[g] ch. 11. 10. 1 Jno. 2. 11.
[h] Mat. 21. 8, &c. Mar. 11. 8, &c. Lu. 19. 35, &c.
[i] Lu. 16. 8. 1 Th. 5. 5. 1 Jno. 2. 9., 11.
[k] ch. 8. 59. 11. 54.
[l] Ps. 118. 25, 26.
[m] Mat. 21. 7.
[n] Is. 53. 1. Ro. 10. 16.
[o] Zec. 9. 9.
[p] Lu. 18. 34.
[r] ch. 7. 39.
[s] ch. 14. 26.
[t] Is. 6. 9, 10. Mat. 13. 14. 2 Co. 4. 4. 1 Jno. 5. 19.
[u] Is. 6. 1.
[v] ch. 7. 13. 9. 22.
[w] ch. 11. 47, 48.
[y] ch. 5. 44.
[z] Ac. 17. 4.
[a] Mar. 9. 37. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[b] 1 Ki. 8. 41, 42. Ac. 8. 27.
[c] ch. 14. 9.
[d] ch. 1. 44.
[e] ch. 3. 19. 9. 5, 39.
[f] ch. 5. 45. 8. 15, 26.
[g] ch. 3. 17.
[h] 1 Co. 15. 36.
[i] Lu. 10. 16.
[k] Is. 53. 10., 12. He. 2. 9, 10.
[l] De. 18. 19.
[m] Mar. 8. 35.
[n] ch. 14. 10.
[o] ch. 14. 3. 1 Th. 4. 17.
[p] Mat. 26. 38, 39. Lu. 12. 50.
[r] ch. 18. 37. Lu. 22. 53.
[s] Mat. 26. 2.
[t] ch. 12. 23. 17. 1, 11.
[u] Mat. 3. 17.
[v] Lu. 22. 3.
[x] ch. 11. 42.
[y] ch. 3. 35. Mat. 11. 27. 28. 18. Ac. 2. 36. 1 Co. 15. 27. He. 2. 8.
[a] ch. 16. 28.
[a] Ac. 26. 18. Ep. 2. 2. 6. 12.
[b] Lu. 22. 27. Phi. 2. 7, 8.

32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw [c] all *men* unto me.

33 This [b] he said, signifying what death he should die.

34 The people answered him, [c] We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man?

35 Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. [f] Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for [g] he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.

36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be [i] the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and [k] did hide himself from them.

37 ¶ But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, [l] Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?

39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again,

40 He [i] hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with *their* eyes, nor understand with *their* heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

41 These [m] things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.

42 [r] Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but [n] because of the Pharisees they did not confess *him*, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:

43 For [y] they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

44 ¶ Jesus cried and said, [a] He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me.

45 And [e] he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.

46 I [o] am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

47 And if any man hear my words, and believe not, [f] I judge him not: for [g] I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.

48 He [i] that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: [i] the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

49 For [n] I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

50 And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me so I speak.

CHAP. XIII.

NOW [c] before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that [i] his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

2 And supper being ended, [r] the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, to betray him;

3 Jesus knowing [y] that the Father had given all things into his hands, and [a] that he was come from God, and went to God;

4 He [b] riseth from supper, and laid

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aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe *them* with the towel wherewith he was girded.

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and *c* Peter saith unto him, Lord, *d* dost thou wash my feet?

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If *f* I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also *my* hands and *my* head.

10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash *his* feet, but is clean every whit: and *h* ye are clean, but not all.

11 For *h* he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye *m* call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for *so* I am.

14 If *n* I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; *o* ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For *p* I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

17 If *q* ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

18 ¶ I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He *r* that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.

19 † Now *s* I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am *he*.

20 Verily, *t* verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.

21 When Jesus had thus said, *f* he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that *u* one of you shall betray me.

22 Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake.

23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.

24 Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spake.

25 He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it?

26 Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a ‡ sop, when I have dipped *it*. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave *it* to Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon.

27 And *m* after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.

28 Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spake this unto him.

29 For some *of them* thought, because Judas *v* had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy *those things* that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor.

30 He then having received the sop went immediately out: and it was night.

31 ¶ Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, *w* Now is the Son of man glorified, and *b* God is glorified in him.

32 If *d* God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify him.

33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: *x* and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.

34 A *y* new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

35 By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

36 ¶ Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Jesus answered him, Whither I go, thou canst not follow me now; but *i* thou shalt follow me afterwards.

37 Peter said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will *z* lay down my life for thy sake.

38 Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.

CHAP. XIV.

LET *a* not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. *b* I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, *c* I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that *d* where I am, *there* ye may be also.

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am *e* the way, and *e* the truth, and *b* the life: *c* no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If *e* ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? *h* he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father?

10 Believest thou not that *i* I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11 Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: *k* or else believe me for the very works' sake.

12 Verily, *l* verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

13 And *m* whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

15 ¶ If *n* ye love me, keep my commandments.

A. D. 33.

a ch. 12. 23.
b ch. 14. 13. 1 Pe. 4. 11.
‡ *he.*
c Mat. 3. 14.
d ch. 17. 1, 4, 5.
e ch. 7. 34. 8. 21.
f 1 Co. 6. 11. Ep. 5. 26. Tit. 3. 5. He. 10. 22.
d Ep. 5. 2. 1 Th. 4. 9. Ja. 2. 8. 1 Pe. 1. 22. 1 Jno. 2. 7, 8. 3. 11, 23.
h ch. 15. 3.
i ch. 21. 18. 2 Pe. 1. 14.
k ch. 6. 64.
l Mat. 26. 33, 35.
m Mat. 23. 8, 10. Lu. 6. 46. 1 Co. 8. 6. 12. 3. Phl. 2. 11.
n Lu. 22. 27.
o Ro. 12. 10. Ga. 6. 1, 2. 1 Pe. 5. 5.
p ch. 16. 33.
q Mat. 11. 29. Phl. 2. 5. 1 Pe. 2. 21. 1 Jno. 2. 6.
r ch. 13. 33, 36.
s Ac. 1. 11.
t ch. 12. 26. 17. 24. 1 Th. 4. 17.
u Ja. 5. 9.
x Ps. 41. 9. Mat. 26. 23.
† or, *From henceforth.*
y ch. 16. 4.
z Ro. 5. 2. Ep. 2. 18. He. 9. 8.
a ch. 1. 17. 8. 32. 1 Jno. 5. 20.
b ch. 1. 4. 11. 25. Ro. 5. 21. Col. 3. 4.
c ch. 10. 9.
d Mat. 25. 40. Lu. 10. 16.
e ch. 8. 19.
f ch. 12. 27.
g Ac. 1. 17. 1 Jno. 2. 19.
h ch. 12. 45. Col. 1. 15. He. 1. 3.
i ch. 10. 38. 17. 21, 23.
k ch. 5. 36. 10. 38.
l Mat. 21. 21.
‡ or, *morsel.*
m ch. 6. 70. Lu. 22. 3.
n Mat. 7. 7. 21. 22. Ja. 1. 5. 1 Jno. 3. 22. 5. 14.
o ch. 13. 6.
p ch. 15. 10, 14. 1 Jno. 5. 3.

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16 And I will pray the Father, and [a] he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 *Even* [d] the Spirit of truth; [e] whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and [f] shall be in you.

18 I [g] will not leave you [*] comfortless: I will come to you.

19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: [h] because I live, ye shall live also.

20 At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

21 He [m] that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

22 Judas [n] saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, [i] and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and [m] the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

25 These things have I spoken unto you, being *yet* present with you.

26 But [p] the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, [q] he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

27 Peace [h] I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come *again* unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, [f] I go unto the Father: for [t] my Father is greater than I.

29 And [h] now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: [i] for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and [m] as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

CHAP. XV.

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

2 Every [p] branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

3 Now [r] ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

4 Abide [s] in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, [z] the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

6 If a man abide not in me, [b] he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, [b] ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

8 Herein [c] is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and [c] *that* your joy might be full.

12 This [f] is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

13 Greater [f] love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

14 Ye [n] are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; [p] for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

16 Ye [r] have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and [s] ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

17 These things I command you, that ye love one another.

18 If [v] the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you.

19 If [p] ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but [z] because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

20 Remember the word that I said unto you, [r] The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; [d] if they have kept my saying, they will keep your's also.

21 But [v] all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

22 If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: [i] but now they have no [†] cloke for their sin.

23 He [b] that hateth me hateth my Father also.

24 If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

25 But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, [n] They hated me without a cause.

26 But [v] when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, [p] he shall testify of me:

27 And [s] ye also shall bear witness, because [n] ye have been with me from the beginning.

CHAP. XVI.

THESE things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.

2 They [w] shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, [p] that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

3 And [a] these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

4 But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And [c] these

[a] ch. 16. 7. Ro. 8. 15. 26.
[b] ch. 14. 13, 14. 16. 23.
[c] Mat. 5. 16.
[d] 1 Jno. 4. 6.
[e] 1 Co. 2. 14.
[f] 1 Jno. 3. 27.
[g] Mat. 28. 20.
[*] or, *orphans.*
[h] 1 Co. 15. 20.
[i] 1 Jno. 1. 4.
[k] 1 Th. 4. 9. 1 Pe. 4. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 11. 4. 21.
[l] Ro. 5. 7, 8. Ep. 5. 2. 1 Jno. 3. 16.
[m] 1 Jno. 2. 5. 5. 3.
[n] Mat. 13. 50.
[o] Lu. 6. 16.
[p] Ge. 18. 17. Ac. 20. 27.
[r] 1 Jno. 4. 10, 19.
[s] Col. 1. 6.
[t] 1 Jno. 2. 24. Re. 3. 20.
[u] ch. 5. 19, 30.
[v] 1 Jno. 3. 1, 13.
[x] Lu. 24. 49.
[y] 1 Jno. 4. 5.
[z] ch. 17. 14.
[a] ch. 2. 22. 12. 16. 16. 13. 1 Jno. 2. 20.
[b] Phi. 4. 7. Col. 3. 15.
[c] Mat. 10. 24. Lu. 6. 40.
[d] Ezc. 3. 7.
[e] Mat. 10. 22. 24. 9.
[f] ch. 16. 16.
[g] ch. 5. 18. 10. 30. Phi. 2. 6, 8.
[h] ch. 13. 19.
[i] Ro. 1. 20. Ja. 4. 17.
[†] or, *excuse.*
[k] 1 Jno. 2. 23.
[l] ch. 12. 31.
[m] He. 5. 8.
[n] Ps. 35. 19. 69. 4.
[o] Lu. 24. 49. Ac. 2. 33.
[p] Mat. 15. 13.
[r] 1 Jno. 5. 6.
[s] Ac. 1. 8, 21. 1 Pe. 5. 1. 2 Pe. 1. 16.
[t] ch. 13. 10. 17. 17. Ep. 5. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 22.
[u] Lu. 1. 2. 1 Jno. 1. 1, 2.
[v] Col. 1. 23. 1 Jno. 2. 6.
[x] ch. 9. 22, 34.
[y] Ac. 26. 9..11.
[z] Ho. 14. 8. Phi. 1. 11. 4. 13.
[‡] or, *severed from me.* Ac. 4. 12.
[a] Ro. 10. 2. 1 Co. 2. 8. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[b] Mat. 3. 10. 7. 19.
[c] Mat. 9. 15.

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things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

6 But because I have said these things unto you, [c] sorrow hath filled your heart.

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, [e] the Comforter will not come unto you; but [f] if I depart, I will send him unto you.

8 And when he is come, he will † reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

9 Of [g] sin, because they believe not on me;

10 Of righteousness, [h] because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

11 Of [i] judgment, because [j] the prince of this world is judged.

12 I have yet many things to say unto you, [m] but ye cannot bear them now.

13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, [n] he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

15 All [r] things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

16 A [u] little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, [v] because I go to the Father.

17 Then said *some* of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me; and, Because I go to the Father?

18 They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith.

19 Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

21 A [b] woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

22 And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and [c] your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. [h] Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give *it* you.

24 Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, [m] that your joy may be full.

25 These things have I spoken unto you in § proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in § proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

26 At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

27 For [p] the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and [q] have believed that I came out from God.

28 I [b] came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

29 His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no * proverb.

30 Now are we sure that [d] thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.

31 Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?

32 Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to ‡ his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.

33 These things I have spoken unto you, that [t] in me ye might have peace. [l] In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; [n] I have overcome the world.

CHAP. XVII.

THESE words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

2 As [p] thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.

3 And this is life eternal, [s] that they might know thee [t] the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work [u] which thou gavest me to do.

5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory [v] which I had with thee before the world was.

6 I [s] have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.

7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.

8 For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.

9 I pray for them: [x] I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.

10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.

11 And [c] now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, [d] keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, [f] as we *are*.

12 While I was with them in the world, [g] I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and [i] none of them is lost, [k] but the son of perdition; that [l] the scripture might be fulfilled.

13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 I have given them thy word; [n] and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but [o] that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

[a] ch. 3. 13. 17. 8.
[b] Is. 9. 6.
[c] ch. 14. 1.
* or, *parable.*
[d] ch. 21. 17.
[e] ch. 7. 39.
[f] Ac. 2. 33. Ep. 4. 8.
† or, *convince.*
[g] Ac. 2. 22..37.
‡ or, *his own home.*
[h] ch. 3. 14. 5. 32.
[i] Ac. 26. 18.
[j] Lu. 10. 18. Ep. 2. 2. Col. 2. 15. He. 2. 14.
[k] Ro. 5. 1. Ep. 2. 14. Col. 1. 20.
[l] Ac. 14. 22. 2 Ti. 3. 12.
[m] Mar. 4. 33. 1 Co. 3. 2. He. 5. 12.
[n] Ro. 8. 37. 1 Jno. 4. 4. 5. 4.
[o] ch. 14. 26. 1 Jno. 2. 20. 27.
[p] Da. 7. 14. 1 Co. 15. 25. 27. Phi. 2. 10. He. 2. 8.
[r] ch. 3. 35. 17. 10.
[s] Mat. 11. 27. Is. 53. 11. Je. 9. 24. 1 Jno. 5. 20.
[t] 2 Jno. 9.
[u] 1 Co. 6. 4.
[v] 1 Th. 1. 9.
[w] ch. 7. 33. 13. 33. 14. 19.
[x] ch. 13. 3.
[y] ch. 19. 30.
[z] ch. 1. 1. 2. Phi. 2. 6. Col. 1. 15. 17. He. 1. 3, 10.
[a] Ps. 22. 22.
[b] 1 Jno. 5. 19.
[c] Is. 26. 17.
[d] 1 Pe. 1. 5. Jude 24.
[e] ch. 14. 1, 27. 20. 20. Ac. 2. 46. 13. 52. 1 Pe. 1. 8.
[f] ch. 10. 30.
[g] He. 2. 13.
[h] ch. 14. 13. 15. 16. Mat. 7. 7.
[i] 1 Jno. 2. 19.
[k] ch. 6. 70.
[l] Ps. 109. 8. Ac. 1. 20.
[m] ch. 15. 11.
[n] 1 Jno. 3. 13.
§ or, *parables.*
[o] Ga. 1. 4. 2 Th. 3. 3. 1 Jno. 5. 18.
[p] ch. 14. 21, 23.

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17 Sanctify [a] them through thy truth: thy [b] word is truth.

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

19 And [c] for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be [†] sanctified through the truth.

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That they all may be one; as [d] thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; [e] that they may be one, even as we are one:

23 I in them, and thou in me, [f] that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

24 Father, [g] I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: [m] for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

25 O righteous Father, [n] the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and [o] these have known that thou hast sent me.

26 And [p] I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare *it:* that the love [q] wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

CHAP. XVIII.

WHEN Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over [r] the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples.

2 And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: [s] for Jesus oftimes resorted thither with his disciples.

3 Judas [t] then, having received a band *of men* and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.

4 Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, [u] went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

5 They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am *he.* And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood [v] with them.

6 As soon then as he had said unto them, I am *he,* they went backward, and fell to the ground.

7 Then asked he them again, Whom seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth.

8 Jesus answered, I have told you that I am *he:* if therefore ye seek me, [w] let these go their way:

9 That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, [x] Of them which thou gavest me have I lost none.

10 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: [y] the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

12 Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him,

13 And [z] led him away to [a] Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year. [b]

14 Now [c] Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

15 ¶ And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and *so did* another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.

16 But [d] Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter.

17 Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou also *one* of this man's disciples? He saith, I am not.

18 And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: [e] and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.

19 ¶ The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.

20 Jesus answered him, [f] I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort, and in secret have I said nothing.

21 Why askest thou me? ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said.

22 And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by [g] struck Jesus [†] with the palm of his hand, saying, Answerest thou the high priest so?

23 Jesus answered him, If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smitest thou me?

24 Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.

25 And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him, Art not thou also *one* of his disciples? He denied *it,* and said, I am not.

26 One of the servants of the high priest, being *his* kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith, Did not I see thee in the garden with him?

27 Peter then denied again: and [h] immediately the cock crew.

28 ¶ Then [i] led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto [§] the hall of judgment: and it was early; [k] and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover.

29 Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?

30 They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered him up unto thee.

31 Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, [l] It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:

32 That [‡] the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.

33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?

34 Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?

35 Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? [l] Thine own nation and the chief priests

[a] Ac. 15. 9. Ep. 5. 26. 1 Pe. 1. 22.
[b] 2 Sa. 7. 28. Ps. 119. 142, 151.
[c] *And Annas sent Christ bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.* ver. 24.
[d] ch. 11. 50.
[e] 1 Co. 1. 2, 30. 1 Th. 4. 7. He. 10. 10.
[†] or, *truly sanctified.*
[f] Mat. 25. 69, &c. Mar. 14. 66, &c. Lu. 22. 54, &c.
[g] Ro. 12. 5. Ga. 3. 28.
[h] ch. 10. 38.
[i] 1 Joo. 1. 3. 3. 24.
[k] Col. 3. 14.
[l] Ps. 26. 4...10. Pr. 13. 20. 1 Co. 15. 33. Ep. 5. 11, 12.
[m] 1 Th. 4. 17.
[n] ch. 7. 14, 26. 8. 2. Lu. 4. 15.
[m] ver. 6. Pr. 8. 22...31.
[n] ch. 15. 21. 1 Joo. 2. 15, 16.
[o] ch. 16. 27.
[p] ch. 15. 15.
[q] Ro. 5. 5.
[r] Jo. 20. 2. Ac. 23. 2.
[s] or, *with a rod.*
[t] 2 Sa. 15. 23.
[u] Lu. 21. 37.
[v] Mat. 26. 47, &c. Mar. 14. 43, &c. Ac. 1. 16.
[w] Ps. 3. 6. 27. 3. Pr. 28. 1.
[x] ch. 13. 38.
[y] Mat. 27. 2, &c. Mar. 15. 1, &c. Lu. 23. 1, &c. Ac. 3. 13.
[§] or, *Pilate's house.* Mat. 27. 27.
[z] Ac. 10. 28. 11. 3.
[a] Is. 3. 3. Je. 8. 19.
[b] 1 Pe. 5. 7.
[c] ch. 17. 12.
[d] Ge. 49. 10. Ho. 3. 4, 5.
[e] Lu. 22. 49, 50
[f] ch. 12. 32, 33. Mat. 20. 19.
[g] Mat. 20. 22.
[h] Mat. 26. 57.
[i] Lu. 3. 2.
[k] Ac. 3. 13.

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have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

36 Jesus [b] answered, [c] My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that [d] is of the truth heareth my voice.

38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, [e] I find in him no fault *at all*.

39 But [f] ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews?

40 Then [g] cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. [h] Now Barabbas was a robber.

CHAP. XIX.

THEN [i] Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him*.

2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,

3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.

4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, [k] that ye may know that I find no fault in him.

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, [l] Behold the man!

6 When [m] the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify *him*. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify *him*: for I find no fault in him.

7 The Jews answered him, [n] We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because [o] he made himself the Son of God.

8 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;

9 And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? [p] But Jesus gave him no answer.

10 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?

11 Jesus answered, [q] Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above: [r] therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.

12 And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, [s] If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend: [t] whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar.

13 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14 And [u] it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King!

15 But they cried out, Away with *him*, away with *him*, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, [x] We have no king but Cæsar.

16 Then [y] delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led *him* away.

17 And he bearing his cross [z] went forth into a place called *the place* of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

19 ¶ And [a] Pilate wrote a title, and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.

20 This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, *and* Greek, *and* Latin.

21 Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews.

22 Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.

23 ¶ Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, [b] woven from the top throughout.

24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, [c] They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

25 ¶ Now [d] there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of † Cleophas, [e] and Mary Magdalene.

26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and [f] the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, [g] Woman, behold thy son!

27 Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her [h] unto his own *home*.

28 ¶ After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, [i] that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.

29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and [k] they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth.

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, [l] It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

31 The Jews therefore, [m] because it was the preparation, [n] that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.

32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith [o] came thereout blood and water.

35 And [p] he that saw *it* bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

36 For these things were done, [q] that

A. D. 33.

[a] Ge. 49. 10.
[b] 1 Ti. 6. 13.
[c] ch. 6. 15. 8. 15. Da. 2. 44. 7. 14. Lu. 12. 14.
[d] Lu. 23. 24, &c.
[e] Nu. 15. 36. Ac. 7. 58. He. 13. 12.
[f] Mat. 27. 37. Mar. 15. 26. Lu. 23. 38.
[g] ch. 9. 47. 1 Jno. 3. 19. 4. 6
[h] ch. 19. 4, 6. 2 Co. 5. 21. He. 7. 26. 1 Pe. 3. 18. 1 Jno. 3. 5.
[i] Mat. 27. 15. Mar. 15. 6. Lu. 23. 17.
[k] Ac. 3. 14.
[l] Lu. 23. 19.
[m] Mat. 20. 19. 27. 26, &c. Mar. 15. 15, &c. Lu. 18. 33.
[n] or, *wrought*
[o] Ps. 22. 18.
[p] 1 Pe. 1. 19. 2. 22.
[q] Mat. 27. 55. Mar. 15. 40. Lu. 23. 49.
[r] He. 12. 2.
† or, *Clopas*.
[s] Lu. 24. 18.
[t] Ac. 3 13.
[u] ch. 20. 2. 21. 7, 20, 24.
[x] ch. 2. 4.
[y] Le. 24. 16. De. 18. 20.
[z] ch. 5. 18. 10. 33. Mat. 26. 65. Ro. 1. 4.
[a] ch. 1. 11. 16. 32.
[b] Ps. 69. 21.
[c] Is 53. 7. Mat. 27. 12, 14. Ac. 8. 32, 33.
[d] Mat. 27. 48.
[e] ch. 7. 30. Lu. 22. 53. Ro. 11. 36.
[f] ch. 17. 4. Is 53. 10, 12. Da. 9. 24, 26. Zec. 13. 7. Col. 2. 14, 15.
[g] He. 6. 4, 8. Ja. 4. 17.
[h] ver. 42. Mar. 15. 42.
[i] De. 21. 23
[k] Is. 1. 18. Lu. 23. 2.
[l] Ac. 17. 7.
[m] Mat. 27. 62.
[n] 1 Jno. 5. 6, 8.
[o] 1 Pe. 5. 1. 1 Jno. 1. 1, 2.
[p] Ex. 12. 46. Nu. 9. 12. Ps. 34. 20.

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the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

37 And again another scripture saith, [c] They shall look on him whom they pierced.

38 ¶ And [d] after this Joseph of Arimathæa, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly [e] for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave *him* leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.

39 And there came also [f] Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound *weight*.

40 Then took they the body of Jesus, and [l] wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury.

41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden [g] a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.

42 There [h] laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation *day*; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

CHAP. XX.

THE [p] first *day* of the week [r] cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.

2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the [n] other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.

3 Peter [p] therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.

4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple [s] did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

5 And he stooping down, *and looking in*, saw [t] the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

7 And [d] the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

9 For as yet they knew not the[f] scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

11 ¶ But [i] Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, *and looked* into the sepulchre,

12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

13 And they say unto her, Woman, [m] why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and [p] knew not that it was Jesus.

15 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

16 Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

17 Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to [b] my brethren, and say unto them, [d] I ascend unto my Father, and [e] your Father; and *to* [f] my God, and your God.

18 Mary [h] Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and *that* he had spoken these things unto her.

19 ¶ Then [k] the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.

20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them *his* hands and his side. [m]Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace *be* unto you: [e] as *my* Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

22 And when he had said this, he breathed on *them*, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

23 Whose [o] soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; *and* whose soever *sins* ye retain, they are retained.

24 ¶ But Thomas, one of the twelve, [c] called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, [p] We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, [q] Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

26 ¶ And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: *then* came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, [k] Peace *be* unto you.

27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach [o] hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, [c] My Lord and my God.

29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: [f] blessed *are* they that have not seen, and *yet* have believed.

30 ¶ And [h] many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

31 But [b] these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; [i] and that believing ye might have life through his name.

CHAP. XXI.

AFTER these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he *himself*.

2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and [n] Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and [o] the *sons* of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples.

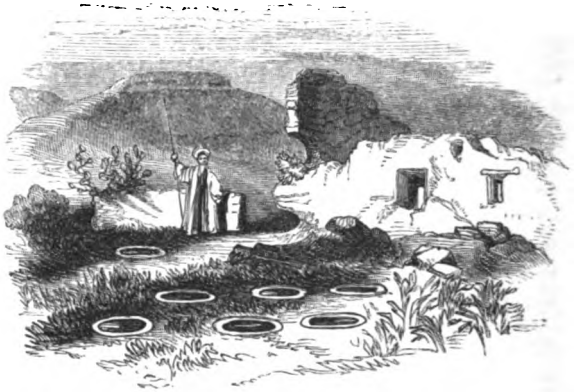
3 Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.

4 But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus.

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[a] Ps 22.16,17. Zec. 12. 10. Re. 1. 7.
[b] Ps. 22. 22. Mat. 28. 10. Ro. 8. 29. He. 2. 11.
[c] Mat. 27. 57 ...60. Mar. 15. 43 ...46. Lu. 23. 50.. 54.
[d] ch. 16. 28. Ps. 68. 18. Ep. 4.8..10. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[e] Ro.8.14..17 2 Co. 6. 18. Ga. 3. 26. 4. 6, 7. 1 Jno.3.1,2.
[f] Ep.1.17..23
[g] ch. 9. 22. 12. 42.
[h] Lu. 24. 10.
[i] ch. 3. 1, 2. 7. 50.
[k] Mar. 16. 14. Lu. 24. 36.
[l] Ac. 5. 6.
[m] ch. 16. 22.
[n] Is. 53. 9. Ac. 13. 29. 1 Co. 15. 4. Col. 2. 12.
[o] ch.17.18,19. Mat. 28. 18. 2 Ti. 2. 2. He. 3. 1.
[p] Ac. 20. 7. 1 Co. 16. 2.
[r] Mat. 28. 1, &c. Mar. 16. 1, &c. Lu. 24. 1, &c.
[s] Mat. 16. 19. 18. 18.
[t] ch. 11. 16.
[u] ch. 13. 23. 19. 26.
[v] 1 Co. 9. 1. 15. 5.
[x] Job 9. 16. Ps.78.11,32. 95.8..10. 106.21..24.
[y] Lu. 24. 12.
[z] 2 Sa. 18. 23. 1 Co. 9. 24. 2 Co. 6. 12.
[a] ch. 19. 40.
[b] Is. 54. 10.
[c] 1 Jno. 1..
[d] ch. 11. 44.
[e] 1 Ti. 3. 16. Re. 5. 9..14.
[f] 2 Co. 5. 7. 1 Pe. 1. 8.
[g] Ps. 16. 10. Is. 26. 19. Ho. 13. 14. Ac.2.25..31. 13.34,35.
[h] ch. 21. 25. 1 Jno. 5. 13.
[i] Mar. 16. 5.
[k] Lu. 1. 4.
[l] ch. 3. 15,16. 5. 24. 1 Pe. 1. 9.
[m] Ps. 42. 3..5, 11. Je 31. 16.
[n] ch. 1. 45.
[o] Mat. 4. 21.
[p] Lu. 24. 16.

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5 Then [a] Jesus saith unto them, [b] Children, have ye any meat? They answered him, No.

6 And he said unto them, [c] Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.

7 Therefore [d] that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, [e] he girt *his* fisher's coat *unto him,* (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.

8 And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with fishes.

9 As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread.

10 Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.

11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.

12 Jesus saith unto them, [m] Come *and* dine. And [n] none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.

13 Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.

14 This is now [p] the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.

15 [q] So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, *son* of Jonas, [r] lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, [s] Feed my lambs.

16 He saith to him again the second time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. [t] He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter [u] was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, [v] thou knowest all things; [w] thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

18 Verily, [x] verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry *thee* whither thou wouldest not.

19 This spake he, signifying [z] by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

20 Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple [a] whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?

21 Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what *shall* this man *do?*

22 Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry [b] till I come, what *is that* to thee? follow thou me.

23 Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is that* to thee?

24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we [c] know that his testimony is true.

25 And [d] there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, [e] I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

A. D. 33.

[a] Lu. 24. 41.
[b] or, *Sirs.*
[c] Ac. 20. 29. He. 13. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 25. 5. 2, 4.
[d] Lu. 5. 4, 6, 7.
[e] 2 Co. 3. 4, 7. 7. 8, 11.
[f] ch. 2. 24, 25. 16. 30.
[g] ch. 13. 23. 20. 2.
[h] 2 Co. 1. 12.
[i] ch. 13. 36. Ac. 12. 3, 4.
[k] 2 Co. 5. 14.
[l] 2 Pe. 1. 14.
[m] ch. 13. 25.
[n] Ac. 10. 41.
[o] Ge. 33. 29, 30. Mar. 9. 32.
[p] Mat. 16. 27, 28. 25. 31. 1 Co. 4. 5. 11. 26. Re. 2. 25. 3. 11. 22. 7, 20.
[q] ch. 20. 19, 26.
[r] ch. 19. 35. 3 Jno. 12.
[s] 1 Co. 16. 22. 2 Co. 5. 14, 15. 1 Pe. 1. 8. 1 Jno. 4. 19.
[t] ch. 20. 30. Job 36. 14.
[u] Ps. 78. 70.. 72. Je. 3. 15. 1 Ti. 4. 15, 16.
[v] Am. 7. 10.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CA. II. 6.—CANA AND WATER-POTS. Kefr Kanna is generally supposed to be the Cana of Galilee, where Jesus made the water wine. But the researches of Professor Robinson have rather shaken the faith of well-informed persons in the traditional claims of this place, and transferred its honours to Kanna-el-Jelil, a ruined village eight miles north of Nazareth; whereas Kefr Kanna is a small place, only about four miles north-east from Nazareth, on one of the roads to Tiberias. The modern monks make their claim to accuracy, and the ancient monks split the difference about distance, planting a spot six miles from Nazareth, but evidently Kanna-el-Jelil. Five or six centuries ago the place was professedly shewn where the six water-pots had stood, and also the trickling where the feast was held; but the whole was in a crypt or cavern underground, like the grotto of the annunciation and of the nativity. The tradition, however, shews that a different site was then given to the Cana of Scripture, throws a doubt at least over the generally received spot, and is one of the arguments by which Professor Robinson supports his opinion that Kanna-el-Jelil was the spot where Christ worked his miracle. The tradition of the pots might be supported in both cases, for water-pots are still seen and used in both these parts, which is not to be wondered at, as they are near each other. But the superstitious and interested have so encumbered many of these places with their legends and lying wonders, that they can hardly be credited, even when they tell the truth. St. Willibald, in the eighth century, founded here a large church, in which was shewn one of the six water-pots. But Antoninus Martyr surpasses him, and seems to say that he filled one of them with water, and brought forth from it wine! In the neighbourhood of the Cana, Dr. Clarke remarked among the ruins large massy stone water-pots, answering to the description given of the ancient vessels of the country, John ii. 6; not preserved or exhibited as relics, but lying about, disregarded by the present inhabitants as antiquities with whose original use they were unacquainted. From their appearance, and the number of them, it was quite evident that a practice of keeping water in large *stone* pots, each holding from eighteen to twenty-seven gallons, was once common in the country.

CA. V. 2.—POOL OF BETHESDA. The spirit of inquiry which has recently been abroad, and the facilities afforded for aiding that spirit, have thrown new light upon some obscure things relating to eastern matters, and have consigned some hitherto prominent objects to the shades. Bethesda was taken as such upon trust, and the dimensions reckoned by former travellers have received great corrections, especially from the pen of Professor Robinson. That which is now and has long been pointed out as the pool of Bethesda is a dry basin or reservoir, outside the northern wall of the enclosure around the temple mount, of which wall its southern side may be said to form a part. The east end of it is close to the present gate of St. Stephen. Robinson, who had a better opportunity of examining the spot, gives another view of its dimensions than that given by Maundrell. He says, 'The pool measures 360 English feet in length, 130 feet in breadth, and 75 feet in depth to the bottom, besides the rubbish which has been accumulating in it for ages. It was once evidently used as a reservoir, for the sides internally have been cased with small stones, and these again covered with plaster; but the workmanship of these additions is coarse, and bears no special marks of antiquity. Dr. Robinson considers this excavation as forming the deep trench which separated the fortress from the adjacent hill, so that we are still left to seek the pool of Bethesda, if, indeed, any trace of it now remains. Bethesda signifies the house of mercy, being an infirmary.

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The ACTS of the APOSTLES.

Contains an account of the ascension of Christ, the descent of the Spirit, and the first propagation of the gospel. It is ascribed to Luke, being addressed to the same person as the Gospel of that Evangelist. Its history extends during thirty years, and reaches to about A. D. 63.

CHAP. I.

THE former treatise have I made, O [a] Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

2 Until [b] the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost [c] had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

3 To [d] whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

4 And, [e] being assembled together with *them*, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, *saith he*, ye have heard of me.

5 For John truly baptized with water; but [m] ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time [f] restore again the kingdom to Israel?

7 And he said unto them, [r] It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

8 But ye shall receive ‡ power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them [s] in white apparel;

11 Which also said, [x] Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, [y] shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both [c] Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James *the son* of Alphæus, and [d] Simon Zelotes, and [e] Judas *the brother* of James.

14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with [f] his brethren.

15 [g] And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number [g] of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,)

16 Men *and* brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, [h] which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus.

A. D. 33.

[a] Mat. 10. 4. Lu. 6. 16.
[b] ch. 1. 22. 20. 24. 21. 19.
[c] Lu. 1. 2.
[d] Mat. 27. 5,7,8
[e] Mat. 26. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 15.
[f] 1 Ti. 3. 16.
[g] Jno. 20. 21.
[h] Jno. 20. 19, 26. 21. 1,14
1 Co. 15. 5
[i] Ps. 69. 25.
[k] Ps. 109. 8.
[l] or, *eating together with them.*
† or, *office*, or, *charge.*
[m] Mar. 1. 1.
[n] ch. 2. 4. Joel 3. 16.
[o] ch. 4. 33. Jno. 15. 27.
[p] ch. 15. 23.
[q] Is. 1. 26. Da. 7. 27. Am. 9. 11.
[r] 1 Th. 5. 1.
[s] ch. 15. 9. 1 Sa. 16. 7. 1 Ch. 28. 9. 29. 17. Je. 11. 20. 17. 10. Re. 2. 23.
‡ or, *the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon you.*
[t] Lu. 23. 15. De. 16. 9.
[u] ch. 1. 14.
[v] ch. 10. 3, 30.
[x] ch. 2. 7. 13. 31.
[y] ch. 4. 31.
[z] Da. 7. 13. 1 Th. 1. 10. 4. 16. 2 Th. 1. 10. Re. 1. 7.
[a] ch. 1. 5.
[b] ch. 10. 46. 19. 6. Mar. 16. 17. 1 Co. 12. 10, 28, 30. 13. 1. 14. 2, &c.
[c] Mat. 10. 2..4
[d] Lu. 6. 15.
[e] Jude 1.
§ *this voice was made.*
|| or, *troubled in mind.*
[f] Mat. 13. 55.
[g] Re. 3. 4.
[h] Ps. 41. 9.

17 For [a] he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of [b] this ministry.

18 Now [d] this man purchased a field with [z] the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out.

19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood.

20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, [i] Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and [k] his † bishoprick let another take.

21 Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

22 Beginning [l] from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained [m] to be a witness with us of his resurrection.

23 And they appointed two, Joseph called [c] Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.

24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, [o] which knowest the hearts of all *men*, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen,

25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

CHAP. II.

AND when [a] the day of Pentecost was fully come, [n] they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and [y] it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And [o] they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began [b] to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when § this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were || confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt

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and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

13 Others mocking said, These men are full [d] of new wine.

14 ¶ But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judæa, and all *ye* that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, [f] seeing it is *but* the third hour of the day.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

17 And [g] it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, [i] I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; [l] and they shall prophesy:

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:

20 The [m] sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:

21 And it shall come to pass, *that* [o] whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you [p] by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

23 Him, [r] being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, [s] ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

24 Whom [t] God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

25 For David speaketh concerning him, I [u] foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:

26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was *glad*; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

29 Men *and* brethren, † let me freely speak unto you [x] of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

30 Therefore being a prophet, [z] and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, [a] that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

33 Therefore [b] being by the right hand

A. D. 33.

[a] Jno. 14. 26. 15. 26. 16. 7, 13.
[b] ch. 10. 45. Ep. 4. 8.
[c] Ps. 110. 1. Mat. 22. 44. 1 Co. 15. 25. Ep. 1. 20. He. 1. 13.
[d] Ep. 5. 18.
[e] ch. 9. 6. 16. 30. Zec. 12. 10. Lu. 3. 10.
[f] 1 Th. 5. 7.
[g] ch. 3. 19.
[h] Is. 44. 3. Eze. 11. 19. 36. 27. Joel 2. 28, 32. Zec. 12. 10. Jno. 7. 39.
[i] ch. 15. 8.
[j] ch. 3. 25. Joel 2. 28.
[k] ch. 15. 3, 8, 14. Is. 65. 1. Ep. 2. 13, 17. 5. 8.
[l] ch. 21. 4, 9, 10 1 Co. 12. 10, 28. 14. 1, &c.
[m] Mar. 13. 24. Lu. 21. 25.
[n] Ro. 12. 12. Ep. 6. 18. Col. 4. 2. He. 10. 25.
[o] Ro. 10. 13. He. 4. 16.
[p] ch. 4. 22, 30.
[q] ch. 10. 38. Jno. 3. 2. 14. 10, 11. He. 2. 4.
[r] Is. 53. 7.
[s] ch. 3. 18. 4. 28.
[t] ch. 1. 14.
[u] ch. 20. 7.
[x] ch. 5. 30.
[y] or, *at home.*
[z] ch. 17. 31. Ro. 4. 24. 8. 11. 1 Co. 15. 15. 2 Co. 4. 14. Col. 2. 12. 1 Th. 1. 10. He. 13. 20. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[a] ch. 4. 33. Lu. 2. 52. Ro. 14. 18.
[b] ch. 5. 14. 11. 24.
[c] Ps. 16. 8.
[d] Lu. 24. 53.
[e] Ps. 55. 17.
[f] ch. 14. 8.
[g] Jno. 9. 8.
† or, *I may.*
[h] ch. 13. 36. 1 Ki. 2. 10.
[i] 2 Sa. 7. 12, 13. Ps. 132. 11. Lu. 1. 32, 69. Ro. 1. 3. 2 Ti. 2. 8.
[k] ch. 4. 10.
[l] ch. 13. 35. Ps. 16. 10.
[m] Is. 35. 6.
[n] Phi. 2. 9. He. 10. 12.

of God exalted, and [c] having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he [d] hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

34 For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, [e] The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

37 ¶ Now when they heard *this*, [f] they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then Peter said unto them, [g] Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and [h] ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and [i] to your children, and to all that [k] are afar off, *even* as many as the Lord our God shall call.

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

41 ¶ Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.

42 And [n] they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

44 And all that believed were together, and [p] had all things common;

45 And sold their possessions and goods and [r] parted them to all *men*, as every man had need.

46 And [s] they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and [u] breaking bread [x] from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

47 Praising God, and [y] having favour with all the people. And [z] the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

CHAP. III.

NOW Peter and John went up together [b] into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* [c] the ninth *hour*.

2 And [d] a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, [e] to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

3 Who seeing Peter and John about [f] to go into the temple asked an alms.

4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: [h] In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and ancle bones received strength.

8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, [k] and leaping, and praising God.

9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:

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10 And they knew that it was he which [a] sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

11 And as the lame man which was healed [d] held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch [f] that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

12 ¶ And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, [i] hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and [k] denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.

14 But ye denied [l] the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

15 And killed the [o] Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 And now, brethren, I wot [r] that through ignorance ye did *it*, as *did* also your rulers.

18 But [s] those things, which God before had shewed [u] by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

19 ¶ Repent [v] ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto *you*:

21 Whom [x] the heaven must receive until the times of [z] restitution of all things, [a] which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, [b] A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

25 Ye [h] are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, [i] And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

26 Unto [m] you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, [n] in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

CHAP. IV.

AND as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the [t] captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,

2 Being [p] grieved that they taught the people, [r] and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit [s] many of them which heard the word believed; and [v] the number of the men was about five thousand.

5 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

6 And [x] Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, [z] By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?

8 Then [h] Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, [m] that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, [n] whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

11 This [o] is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

12 Neither [p] is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

13 ¶ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, [r] and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.

14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

16 Saying, [s] What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them [u] is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny *it*.

17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

18 And [d] they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, [e] Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 For [f] we cannot but speak the things which [g] we have seen and heard.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, [h] because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for [i] that which was done.

22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

23 ¶ And being let go, [e] they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, [t] thou *art* God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:

A. D. 33.

[a] Jno. 9. 8.
[b] 2 Co. 2. 14.. 16.
[c] Ge. 49. 10. Ps. 110. 3. Is. 45. 24.
[d] Mar. 5. 18.
[e] Lu. 2. Jno. 11. 49. 18. 13.
[f] ch. 5. 12. Jno. 10. 23.
[g] Ex. 2. 14.
[h] Lu. 12 11, 12
[i] Jno. 7. 39. 12. 16. 17. 1.
[k] ch. 13. 28. Mat. 27. 20. Jno. 18. 40. 19. 15.
[l] ch. 4. 27. Ps. 16. 10. Mar. 1 24. Lu. 1. 35.
[m] ch. 3. 6, 16.
[o] or, *Author.* He. 2. 10. 5. 9. 1 Jno. 5. 11.
[n] ch. 2. 24. Ro. 1. 4.
[o] Ps. 118. 22. Is. 28. 16. Mat. 21. 42.
[p] ch. 10. 43. Mat. 1. 21. 1 Ti. 2. 5, 6.
[r] ch. 13. 27. Jno. 16. 3. 1 Co. 2. 8. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[s] ch. 26. 22. Lu. 24. 44.
[t] Mat. 11. 25.
[u] Ps. XXII. Is. 50. 6. 53 5, &c. Da. 9. 26. 1 Pe. 1 10, 11.
[v] ch. 2. 38.
[x] ch. 1. 11.
[y] Jno. 11. 47.
[z] Mat. 17. 11.
[a] Lu. 1. 70.
[b] ch 3. 9, 10.
[c] ch. 7. 37. De. 18. 15, 18.
[d] ch. 5. 40.
[e] ch. 5. 29.
[f] ch. 1. 8. 2. 33. Job 32. 18.. 20.
[g] ch. 22. 15. 1 Jno. 1. 1, 3.
[h] ch. 2. 39. Ro. 9. 4, 8. 15. 8. Ga. 3. 16.
[i] Ge. 12. 3. Ga. 3. 8.
[k] Mat. 21. 26. Lu. 20 6, 19. 22. 2.
[l] ch. 3. 7, 8.
[m] Mat. 10. 5. 15. 24.
[n] Mat. 1. 21.
[o] ch. 12. 12.
† or, *ruler*, ch. 5. 24. Lu. 22. 4.
[p] ch. 23. 8.
[r] 1 Co. 15. 3, 4, &c.
[s] 2 Ki. 19. 15.

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25 Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, [a] Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27 For [b] of a truth against [c] thy holy child Jesus, [d] whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

28 For [f] to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.

29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, [i] that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and [m] that signs and wonders may be done by [n] the name of thy holy child Jesus.

31 ¶ And when they had prayed, [o] the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

32 And the multitude of them that believed [r] were of one heart and of one soul: [s] neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

33 And with [u] great power gave the apostles [x] witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

34 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,

35 And [a] laid *them* down at the apostles' feet: [b] and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, *and* of the country of Cyprus,

37 Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.

CHAP. V.

BUT a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,

2 And kept back *part* of the price, his wife also being privy *to it*, [e] and brought a certain part, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.

3 But [f] Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan [g] filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land?

4 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

5 And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.

6 And the young men arose, [i] wound him up, and carried *him* out, and buried *him*.

7 And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

8 And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

9 Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together [k] to tempt

A. D. 33.

[a] Ps. 2. 1..4.
[b] Mat. 26. 3. Lu. 23. 1, 8.
[c] Lu. 1. 35.
[d] Ps. 45. 7. Is. 61. 1. Lu. 4. 18. Jno. 10. 36.
[e] ch. 2. 43. 19. 17. Ps. 89. 7. Je. 32. 40. Re. 15. 4.
[f] ch. 2. 23. 3. 18.
[g] ch. 14. 3. Ro. 15. 19. 2 Co. 12. 12. He. 2. 4.
[h] ch. 3. 11. 4. 32.
[i] ch. 28. 31. Ep. 6. 19.
[k] Jno. 9. 22. 12. 42. 19. 38.
[l] ch. 2. 47. 4. 21.
[m] ch. 2. 43. 5. 12.
[n] ch. 3. 6, 16.
[o] ch. 2. 2, 4. 16. 26.
[o] or, *in every street.*
[p] ch. 19. 12. Mat. 9. 21. 14. 36.
[r] ch. 5. 12. Ro. 15. 5, 6. 2 Co. 13. 11. Phi. 1. 27. 2. 2. 1 Pe. 3. 8.
[s] ch. 2. 44.
[t] Mar. 16. 17, 18. Jno. 14. 12.
[u] ch. 1. 8. 1 Th. 1. 5.
[x] ch. 4. 1, 2, 6.
[a] ch. 1. 23.
† or, *envy.*
[b] Lu. 21. 12. 2 Co. 11. 23. He. 11. 36. Re. 2. 10.
[c] ch. 12. 7. 16. 26.
[a] ch. 5. 2.
[b] ch. 2. 45. 6. 1.
[c] Jno. 6. 66. 17. 3. 1 Jno. 5. 11.
[d] ch. 4. 5, 6.
[e] ch. 4. 37.
[f] Nu. 30. 2. De. 23. 21. Ec. 5. 4.
[g] Lu. 22. 3.
‡ or, *deceive*, ver. 9.
[h] Mat. 21. 26.
[i] Jno. 19. 40.
[k] ch. 4. 18.
[l] Mat. 23. 35. 27. 25.
[m] Nu. 14. 22. Ps. 78. 18, &c. Mat. 4. 7. 1 Co. 10. 9.
[n] ch. 22. 14. 1 Co. 15. 15.

the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband *are* at the door, and shall carry thee out.

10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying *her* forth, buried *her* by her husband.

11 And [c] great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

12 ¶ And [g] by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (h and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

13 And [k] of the rest durst no man join himself to them: [l] but the people magnified them.

14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)

15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick [o] into the streets, and laid *them* on beds and couches, [p] that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

16 There came also a multitude *out* of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing [t] sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

17 ¶ Then [v] the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with † indignation,

18 And [y] laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

19 But [a] the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people [c] all the words of this life.

21 And when they heard *that*, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. [d] But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told,

23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.

25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for [h] they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.

27 And when they had brought them, they set *them* before the council: and the high priest asked them,

28 Saying, [k] Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's [l] blood upon us.

29 ¶ Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

30 The [m] God of our fathers raised up

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Jesus, whom ye slew and [a] hanged on a tree.

31 Him [b] hath God exalted with his right hand *to be* a Prince and [c] a Saviour, [d] for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

32 And [e] we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

33 ¶ When they heard *that*, they were cut *to the heart*, and took counsel to slay them.

34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named [h] Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;

35 And said unto them, Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do as touching these men.

36 For [*] before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many as [i] obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought.

37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, *even* as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.

38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: [m] for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought:

39 But [n] if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even [o] to fight against God.

40 And to him they agreed: and when they had [p] called the apostles, [q] and beaten *them*, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

41 ¶ And they departed from the presence of the council, [r] rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

CHAP. VI.

AND in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the [s] Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in [t] the daily ministration.

2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples *unto them*, and said, [u] It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

3 Wherefore, brethren, [v] look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

4 But we [w] will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.

5 ¶ And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, [x] a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and [y] Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:

6 Whom they set before the apostles: and [z] when they had prayed, [a] they laid *their* hands on them.

7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company [b] of the priests were obedient to the faith.

A. D. 33.

[a] ch. 13. 29. Ga. 3. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[b] Phi. 2. 9. He. 2. 10. 12. 2.
[c] Mat. 1. 21.
[d] ch. 3. 26. Lu. 24. 47. Ep. 1. 7. Col. 1. 14.
[e] Jno. 15. 26, 27.
[f] Ex. 4. 12. Is. 54. 17. Lu. 21. 15.
[g] 1 Ki. 21. 10, 13 Mat. 26. 59, 60
[h] ch. 22. 3.
[*] The Third Year before the account called Anno Domini.
[i] ch. 25. 8.
[k] Da. 9. 26.
† or, *rites.*
‡ or, *believed.*
[l] ch. 22. 1.
[m] Pro. 21. 30. Is. 8. 10. Mat. 15. 13.
[n] Lu. 21. 15. 1 Co. 1. 25.
[o] ch. 7. 51. 9. 5. 23. 9.
[p] Ge. 12. 1.
[q] ch. 4. 18.
[r] Mat. 10. 17. 23. 34.
[s] Ge. 11. 31. 12. 4, 5.
[t] Mat. 5. 12. Ro. 5. 3. 2 Co. 12. 10. Phi. 1. 29. He. 10. 34. Ja. 1. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 13, 16.
[u] Ge. 12. 7. 13. 15. 15. 3, 18. 17. 8. 26. 3.
2 Co. 1. 20.
[x] ch. 9. 29.
[y] Ex. 12. 40. Ga. 3. 17.
[z] ch. 4. 35.
[a] Ex. 18. 17.
[b] Ex. 3. 12.
[c] Ge. 17. 9.-11.
[d] De. 1. 13. 1 Ti. 3. 7.
[e] Ge. 21. 2.-4.
[f] Ge. 25. 26.
[g] Ge. 29. 31, &c. 30. 5, &c. 35. 18, 23.
[h] ch. 2. 42.
[i] Ge. 37. 4, 11, 24. Ps. 105. 17.
[k] Ge. 39. 2, 21, 23.
[l] ch. 11. 24.
[m] Ge. 41. 37. 42. 6. Pr 21. 1.
[n] ch. 8. 5, 26.
[o] Ge. 41. 54.
[p] ch. 1. 24.
[q] 1 Ti. 5. 22.
[r] Jno. 12. 42.

8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

9 ¶ Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called *the synagogue* of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

10 And [f] they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

11 Then [g] they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and *against* God.

12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon *him*, and caught him, and brought *him* to the council,

13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

14 For [i] we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall [k] destroy this place, and shall change the † customs which Moses delivered us.

15 And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

CHAP. VII.

THEN said the high priest, Are these things so?

2 And he said, [l] Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,

3 And said unto him, [m] Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.

4 Then [n] came he out of the land of the Chaldæans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell.

5 And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not *so much as* to set his foot on: [o] yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when *as yet* he had no child.

6 And God spake on this wise. That his seed should sojourn in a strange land; and that they should bring them into bondage, and entreat *them* evil [p] four hundred years.

7 And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and [q] serve me in this place.

8 And [r] he gave him the covenant of circumcision: [s] and so *Abraham* begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; [t] and Isaac *begat* Jacob; and Jacob *begat* [u] the twelve patriarchs.

9 And [i] the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: [k] but God was with him,

10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, [w] and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.

11 Now [x] there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.

12 But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.

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13 And [a] at the second *time* Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.

14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to *him*, and [d] all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.

15 So [f] Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, [g] he, and our fathers,

16 And [h] were carried over into Sychem, and laid in [i] the sepulchre that Abraham bought for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor *the father* of Sychem.

17 But when [m] the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, [n] the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,

18 Till another king arose, which knew not Joseph.

19 The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil entreated our fathers, [r] so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.

20 In [s] which time Moses was born, and [m] was [t] exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's house three months:

21 And [y] when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son.

22 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty [z] in words and in deeds.

23 And [a] when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel.

24 And seeing one *of them* suffer wrong, he defended *him*, and avenged him that was oppressed, and smote the Egyptian:

25 ¶ For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not.

26 And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?

27 But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, [b] Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?

28 Wilt thou kill me, as thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday?

29 Then [c] fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons.

30 And [m] when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.

31 When Moses saw *it*, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold *it*, the voice of the Lord came unto him,

32 *Saying*, [r] I *am* the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.

33 Then [e] said the Lord to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where thou standest is holy ground.

34 I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt.

35 This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send *to be* a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.

36 He brought them out, after that he had [z] shewed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red sea, [k] and in the wilderness forty years.

37 ¶ This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, [e] A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, [e] like unto me; [e] him shall ye hear.

38 This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with [t] the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and *with* our fathers: [k] who received the lively [t] oracles to give unto us:

39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust *him* from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt,

40 Saying [g] unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for *as for* this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

41 And [p] they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.

42 Then [t] God turned, and gave them up to worship [v] the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, [x] O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices *by the space of* forty years in the wilderness?

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, [t] speaking unto Moses, [k] that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.

45 Which [k] also our fathers [k] that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, [d] whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;

46 Who [c] found favour before God, and [f] desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.

47 But [g] Solomon built him an house.

48 Howbeit [t] the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,

49 Heaven [k] *is* my throne, and earth *is* my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what *is* the place of my rest?

50 Hath not my hand made all these things?

51 ¶ Ye [w] stiffnecked and [w] uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers *did*, so *do* ye.

52 Which [p] of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:

53 Who [e] have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept *it*.

54 ¶ When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with *their* teeth.

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, [m] I see the heavens opened, and the [y] Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And [y] cast *him* out of the city, [a] and

A. D. 33.

[a] Ge. 45. 4, 16.
[b] Ex. 16 1, 35.
[c] ch. 3. 22. De. 18. 15, 18.
[d] Ge. 46. 27. De. 10. 22.
[e] or, *as myself.*
[f] Mat. 17. 5. Jno. 5. 24., 27.
[g] Ge. 46. 5.
[h] Ge. 49. 33. Ex. 1. 6.
[i] Ex. 13. 19. Jos. 24. 32.
[k] Is. 63. 9.
[l] Ge. 23. 16. 35. 19.
[m] Ex. 21. 1. Jno. 1. 17.
[n] Ro. 3. 2.
[o] Ge. 15. 13.
[p] Ex. 1. 7., 9. Ps. 105. 24, 25
[q] Ex. 32. 1.
[r] De. 9. 16.
[s] Ex. 1. 22. Ps. 74. 20.
[t] Ex. 2. 2.
[u] Ps. 81. 12. Ro. 1. 24. 2 Th. 2. 11.
[w] He. 11. 23.
[x] or, *fair to God.*
[y] Je. 19. 13.
[z] Am. 5. 25, 26.
[a] Ex. 2. 3..10.
[b] Lu. 24. 19.
[c] Ex. 2. 11, &c
[d] or, *who spake.*
[e] Ex. 26. 30. He. 8. 5.
[f] or, *Now.*
[g] Jos. 3. 14.
[h] or, *having received.*
[i] Ne. 9. 24. Ps. 44. 2. 78. 55.
[k] 1 Sa. 16. 1. 2 Sa. 7. 1. Ps. 89. 19.
[l] 1 Ki. 8. 17. Ps. 132. 4, 5.
[m] 2 Ch. 3. 1.
[n] Lu. 19. 14.
[o] 2 Ch. 6. 18.
[p] Is. 66. 1, 2. Mat. 5. 34, 35
[q] Ex. 18. 3, 4.
[r] Ex. 3. 2, &c
[s] Is. 48. 4.
[t] Le. 26. 41. Je. 4. 4.
[u] 2 Ch. 36. 16. Mat. 23. 34, 37.
[w] 1 Th. 2. 15.
[x] Mat. 22. 32.
[y] He. 11. 16.
[z] Ex. 20. 1. Ge. 3. 19. He. 2. 2.
[a] Jos. 5. 15.
[b] Eze. 1. 1.
[c] Mat. 3. 16.
[d] De. 7. 13.
[e] Ex. VII. XI. XIV. Ps. 105. 27.
[f] He. 13. 12.
[g] Le. 24. 14.

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stoned *him:* and [a] the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59 And they stoned Stephen, [b] calling upon *God*, and saying, Lord Jesus, [c] receive my spirit.

60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, [d] Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

CHAP. VIII.

AND [e] Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and [f] they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judæa and Samaria, except the apostles.

2 And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and [g] made great lamentation over him.

3 As for Saul, [h] he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed *them* to prison.

4 Therefore [i] they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

5 Then [k] Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7 For [l] unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed *with them:* and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

8 And there was great joy in that city.

9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city [m] used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, [n] giving out that himself was some great one:

10 To [o] whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

11 And to him they had regard, [p] because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things [q] concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the [r] miracles and signs which were done.

14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:

15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost:

16 (For [s] as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only [t] they were baptized in [u] the name of the Lord Jesus.)

17 Then [x] laid they *their* hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money,

19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because [y] thou hast thought that [z] the gift of God may be purchased with money.

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, [a] if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

23 For I perceive that thou art in [b] the gall of bitterness, and [c] in the bond of iniquity.

24 Then answered Simon, and said, [d] Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.

25 And they, when they had [e] testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

26 And [f] the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

27 And he arose and went: and, behold, [g] a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and [h] had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

28 Was returning, [i] and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

30 And Philip ran thither to *him*, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, [k] Understandest thou what thou readest?

31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, [l] He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, [m] and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

36 And as they went on *their* way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, *here is* water; [n] what doth hinder me to be baptized?

37 And Philip said, [o] If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, [p] I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, [q] the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Cæsarea.

CHAP. IX.

AND [r] Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found

A. D. 34.

[a] ch. 22. 20. De. 13. 9, 10. 17. 7.
[b] ch. 9. 14.
[c] Da. 4. 27. 2 Ti. 2. 25.
[d] Ps. 31. 5. Lu. 23. 46.
[e] He. 12. 15.
[f] Mat. 5. 44. Lu. 6. 28. 23. 34.
[g] Ge. 20 7, 17. Ex. 8. 8. Nu. 21. 7. 1 Ki. 13. 6. Job 42. 8. Ja. 5. 16.
[h] ch. 22. 20.
[i] Jno. 15. 27.
[k] ch. 11. 19.
[l] He. 1. 14.
[m] Ge. 50. 10. 2 Sa. 3. 31.
[n] ch. 9. 1, 13, 21. 22. 4. 26. 10, 11. 1 Co. 15. 9. Ga. 1. 13. Phi. 3. 6. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[o] Ps. 68. 31. 87. 4. Is. 43. 6. 60. 3...6. Zep. 3. 10.
[p] ch. 11. 19. Mat. 10. 23.
[q] Jno. 12. 20.
[r] ch. 6. 5.
[s] De. 6. 6, 7. Jos. 1. 8. Ps. 1. 2, 3. Ep. 5. 16. Col. 3. 16.
[t] Mar. 16. 17.
[u] Jno. 5. 39. 1 Co. 14. 19. Ep. 3. 17.
[x] Le. 20. 6.
[y] Is. 53. 7, 8.
[z] ch. 5. 36.
[a] 2 Co. 11. 19. Ep. 4. 14.
[b] 2 Pe. 2. 2.
[c] Ga. 3. 1.
[d] ch. 1. 3.
[e] ch. 18. 28. Lu. 24. 27.
[f] *signs and great miracles.*
[g] ch. 10. 47.
[h] Mat. 28. 19. Mar. 16. 16.
[i] ch. 9. 20. Mat. 16. 16. Jno. 6. 69. 9 35, 38. 11. 27. 1 Jno. 4. 15. 5. 5, 13.
[k] ch. 19. 2.
[l] Mat. 28. 19.
[m] ch. 10. 48.
[n] He. 6. 2.
[o] 1 Ki. 18. 12. 2 Ki. 2. 16. Eze. 3. 12, 14.
[p] ch. 8. 3. Ga. 1. 13. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[q] 2 Ki. 5. 16. Mat. 10. 8.
[r] ch. 2. 38. 10. 45. 11. 17.

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any [a] of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

3 And [a] as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, [d] why persecutest thou me?

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: [f] *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, [h] what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord *said* unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

7 And [k] the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Damascus.

9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.

10 ¶ And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, [o] named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I *am here*, Lord.

11 And the Lord *said* unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for *one* called Saul, [r] of Tarsus: for, behold, [s] he prayeth,

12 And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting *his* hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, [u] how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

14 And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all [x] that call on thy name.

15 But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for [a] he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before [b] the Gentiles, and [c] kings, and the children of Israel:

16 For [e] I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

17 And [f] Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and [k] putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be [i] filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. [k] Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, [o] that he is the Son of God.

21 But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; [p] Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22 But Saul increased the more in strength, [t] and confounded the Jews

A. D. 34.

[a] *of the way*, ch. 19. 9, 23.
[a] ch. 22. 6. 26. 12.
1 Co. 15. 8.
[b] ch. 23. 12. 25. 3.
[c] 2 Co. 11. 32.
[d] Mat. 25. 40, &c.
[f] Jos. 2. 15. 1 Sa. 19. 12.
[f] ch. 22. 17.
[h] ch. 5. 39.
[k] ch. 2. 37. 16. 30. Lu. 3. 10. Ro. 7. 9. 10. 3. Ja. 4. 6.
[i] ch. 4. 36. 13. 2.
[k] ch. 22. 9. 26. 13. Da. 10. 7.
[l] Ga. 1. 18.
[m] ch. 6. 1. 11. 20.
[n] 2 Co. 11. 26.
[o] ch. 22. 12.
[p] ch. 8. 1.
[r] ch. 21. 39. 22. 3.
[s] Ro. 10. 12, 13.
[t] ch. 2. 14.
[u] ver. 1.
[v] ch. 3. 6, 16. 4. 10. Mar. 16. 18.
[x] ch. 7. 59. 22. 16. 1 Co. 1. 2. 2 Ti. 2. 22.
[y] 1 Ch. 5. 16.
[z] ch. 11. 21.
[a] ch. 13. 2. 22. 21. 26. 17. Ro. 1. 1. 1 Co. 15. 10. Ga. 1. 15. Ep. 3. 7, 8. 1 Ti. 2. 7. 2 Ti. 1. 11.
[b] Ro. 1. 5. 11. 13. Ga. 2. 7, 8.
† or, *Doe*, or, *Roe*.
[c] ch. 25. 22, 23. 26. 1, &c.
[d] 1 Ti. 2. 10. Tit. 3. 8. Ja. 2. 20.
[e] ch. 20. 23. 21. 11.
2 Co. 11. 23.
[f] ch. 22. 12, 13.
[g] ch. 1. 13.
[h] ch. 8. 17.
[i] ch. 2. 4. 4. 31. 13. 52.
‡ or, *be grieved*.
[k] ch. 26. 20.
[l] Mat. 9. 35.
[m] ch. 7. 60. 11.
[n] Mar. 5. 41, 42. Jno. 11. 43.
[o] ch. 8. 37.
[p] ch. 8. 3. Ga. 1. 13, 23.
[r] Jno. 11. 45. 12. 11.
[s] ch. 10. 6.
[t] ch. 18. 28.

which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

23 ¶ And after that many days were fulfilled, [b] the Jews took counsel to kill him:

24 But [c] their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

25 Then the disciples took him by night, and [e] let *him* down by the wall in a basket.

26 And [f] when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

27 But [i] Barnabas took him, and brought *him* to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.

28 And [l] he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.

29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the [m] Grecians: [n] but they went about to slay him.

30 *Which* when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Cæsarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.

31 Then [p] had the churches rest throughout all Judæa and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

32 ¶ And it came to pass, as Peter passed [t] throughout all *quarters*, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda.

33 And there he found a certain man named Æneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.

34 And Peter said unto him, Æneas, [y] Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.

35 And all that dwelt at Lydda [y] and Saron saw him, and [z] turned to the Lord.

36 ¶ Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called † Dorcas: this woman was full [d] of good works and almsdeeds which she did.

37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid *her* in [f] an upper chamber.

38 And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring *him* that he would not [i] delay to come to them.

39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

40 But Peter [i] put them all forth, and [m] kneeled down, and prayed; and turning *him* to the body [n] said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

41 And he gave her *his* hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.

42 And it was known throughout all Joppa; [r] and many believed in the Lord.

43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one [s] Simon a tanner.

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CHAP. X.

THERE was a certain man in Cæsarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian *band*,

2 *A* [a] devout *man*, and one that [b] feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, [c] and prayed to God alway.

3 He [d] saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.

4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms [e] are come up for a memorial before God.

5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for *one* Simon, whose surname is Peter:

6 He lodgeth with one [f] Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: [g] he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.

7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;

8 And when he had declared all *these* things unto them, [h] he sent them to Joppa.

9 ¶ On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, [i] Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:

10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,

11 And [k] saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:

12 Wherein were all manner of four-footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; [l] for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean.

15 And the voice *spake* unto him again the second time, [m] What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.

16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.

17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,

18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

19 ¶ While Peter thought on the vision, [n] the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee.

20 Arise [o] therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.

21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what *is* the cause wherefore ye are come?

22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and [p] of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee

23 Then called he them in, and lodged *them*. And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24 And the morrow after they entered

A. D. 41.

[a] ch. 8. 2. 22. 12. Job 1. 1.
[b] ver. 35.
[c] Lu. 18. 1.
[d] ch. 14. 14, 15. Re. 19. 10. 22. 9.
[e] ch. 11. 13. Ps. 25. 12.
[f] ch. 11. 3. Jno. 4. 9. 18. 28. Ga. 2. 12, 14.
[g] He. 6. 10.
[h] ch. 15. 8, 9. Ep. 3. 6.
[i] ch. 9. 43.
[k] ch. 11. 14. Ro. 10. 14. 17.
[l] ch. 1. 10.
[m] Ps. 119. 59, 60
[n] ver. 4, &c. Da. 10. 12.
[o] He. 13. 15.
[p] ch. 11. 3, &c.
[q] ch. 7. 56. Re. 19. 11.
[r] De. 10. 17. 2 Ch. 19. 7. Job 34. 19. Ro. 2. 11. Ga. 2. 6. Ep. 6. 9. Col. 3. 25. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[s] ch. 15. 9. Ro. 2. 13, 27. 3. 22, 29. 10. 12, 13. 1 Co. 12. 13. Ga. 3. 28. Ep. 2. 13, 18. 3. 6.
[t] Le. 11. 4. 20. 25. De. 14. 3, 7. Eze. 4. 14.
[u] Is. 57. 19. Ep. 2. 14, 16, 17. Col. 1. 20.
[x] ver. 28. Mat. 15. 11. Ro. 14. 14, 17, 20. 1 Co. 10. 25. 1 Ti. 4. 4. Tit. 1. 15.
[y] 1 Co. 15. 27. Ep. 1. 20, 22. 1 Pe. 3. 22.
Re. 17. 14. 19. 16.
[z] ch. 2. 22. 4. 27. He. 1. 9.
[a] Jno. 3. 2.
[b] ch. 11. 12.
[c] ch. 15. 7.
[d] ch. 13. 31. Jno. 14. 17, 22.
[e] Lu. 24. 30, 43.
[f] ch. 1. 8. Mat. 28. 19, 20.
[g] Ro. 14. 9, 10. 2 Co. 5. 10. 2 Ti. 4. 1. 1 Pe. 4. 5.
[h] ch. 22. 12.
[i] ch. 26. 22. Is. 53. 11. Je. 31. 34. Da. 9. 24. Zec. 13. 1.
[k] Ga. 3. 22.

into Cæsarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped *him*.

26 But Peter took him up, saying, [d] Stand up; I myself also am a man.

27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how [f] that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but [h] God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 Therefore came I *unto you* without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, [i] a man stood before me in bright clothing,

31 And said, Cornelius, [n] thy prayer is heard, [o] and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of *one* Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34 ¶ Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, [p] Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

35 But [s] in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

36 The word which *God* sent unto the children of Israel, [u] preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)

37 That word, *I say*, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;

38 How [z] God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; [a] for God was with him.

39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;

41 Not [d] to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, *even* to us, [e] who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.

42 And [f] he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God *to be* the Judge [g] of quick and dead.

43 To [i] him give all the prophets witness, that through his name [k] whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

44 ¶ While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as

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came with Peter, because that on [a] the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

48 And [f] he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

CHAP. XI.

AND the apostles and brethren that were in Judæa heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, [f] they that were of the circumcision contended with him,

3 Saying, [m] Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, [n] and didst eat with them.

4 But Peter rehearsed *the matter* from the beginning, and expounded *it* [o] by order unto them, saying,

5 I [p] was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:

6 Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

7 And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat.

8 But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth.

9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.

10 And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.

11 And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Cæsarea unto me.

12 And [s] the spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover [a] these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:

13 And [b] he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;

14 Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.

15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, [a] as on us at the beginning.

16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, [c] John indeed baptized with water; but [f] ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.

17 Forasmuch [g] then as God gave them the like gift as *he did* unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; [h] what was I, that I could withstand God?

18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, [i] Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

19 ¶ Now [j] they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.

20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were

A. D. 41.

[a] ch. 11. 18. Ro. 9. 24, 25. Ga. 3. 14. Ep. 2. 13. 3. 5, 8. Col. 2. 13. 1 Pet. 2. 10.
[b] ch. 6. 1. 9. 29.
[c] ch. 2. 47. Is. 53. 1. 59. 1. Mat. 28. 20. Lu. 1. 66.
[d] ch. 9. 35.
[e] ch. 9. 27.
[f] 1 Co. 1. 17.
[g] ch. 13. 43. 14. 22.
[h] ch. 5. 5.
[i] ch. 5. 14.
[k] ch. 9. 30.
[l] ch. 10. 45.
[m] ch. 10. 28.
[n] Ga. 2. 12.
[o] or, *in the church.*
[p] Lu. 1. 3.
[q] ch. 2. 17. 13. 1. 15. 32. 21. 9. 1 Co. 12. 28. Ep. 4. 11.
[r] ch. 10. 9, &c.
[s] ch. 21. 10.
[t] Ro. 15. 26. 1 Co. 16. 1. 2 Co. 9. 1.
[u] ch. 12. 25. Ja. 2. 14.. 17. 1 Jno. 3. 17.. 19.
† or, *began.*
[v] Mat. 4. 21. 20. 23.
[w] Ex. 12. 14, 15. 23. 15.
[x] ch. 10. 19. Jno. 16. 13.
[y] Jno. 21. 18.
[z] ch. 10. 23.
[a] ch. 10 30.
‡ or, *instant and earnest prayer was made.*
[b] 2 Co. 1. 11. Ep. 6. 18. 1 Th. 5. 17.
[c] ch. 2. 4.
[d] ch. 5. 19. Ps. 103. 20. He. 1. 14.
[e] ch. 1. 5. Mat. 3. 11. Jno. 1. 26, 33
[f] Is. 41. 3. Joel 2. 28. 3. 18.
[g] ch. 15. 8, 9.
[h] ch. 10. 47.
[i] Ro. 10. 12, 13 15. 9, 16.
[k] Ps. 126. 1.
[l] ch. 8. 1. Ja. 1. 1. 1 Pet. 1. 1.
[m] ch. 10. 3, 17. 11. 5.
[n] ch. 16. 26.

come to Antioch, spake unto [b] the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus.

21 And [c] the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and [d] turned unto the Lord.

22 ¶ Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth [e] Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.

23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and [f] exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.

24 For he was a good man, and [h] full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: [i] and much people was added unto the Lord.

25 Then departed Barnabas to [k] Tarsus, for to seek Saul:

26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves [o] with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

27 ¶ And in these days came [p] prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch.

28 And there stood up one of them named [q] Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar.

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send [r] relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa:

30 Which [s] also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

CHAP. XII.

NOW about that time Herod the king † stretched forth *his* hands to vex certain of the church.

2 And he killed James [v] the brother of John with the sword.

3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were [w] the days of unleavened bread.)

4 And [x] when he had apprehended him, he put *him* in prison, and delivered *him* to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but ‡ prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison.

7 And, behold, [d] the angel of the Lord came upon *him*, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from *his* hands.

8 And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

9 And he went out, and followed him; and [k] wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought [m] he saw a vision.

10 When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; [n] which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one

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street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.

11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that [b] the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath [c] delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and *from* all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

12 And when he had considered *the thing*, [d] he came to the house of Mary the mother of [e] John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together [f] praying.

13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to [o] hearken, named Rhoda.

14 And when she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

15 And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, [h] It is his angel.

16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened *the door*, and saw him, they were astonished.

17 But he, [p] beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.

18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become of Peter.

19 And when Herod had sought for him, and found him not, he examined the keepers, and commanded that *they* should be put to death. And he went down from Judæa to Cæsarea, and *there* abode.

20 [q] And Herod [r] was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: but they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus [s] the king's chamberlain their friend, desired peace; because [t] their country was nourished by the king's *country*.

21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them.

22 And the people gave a shout, *saying*, *It is* the voice of a god, and not of a man.

23 And immediately the angel of the Lord [x] smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

24 [q] But [z] the word of God grew and multiplied.

25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled *their* [k] ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

CHAP. XIII.

NOW there were [a] in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as [c] Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and [d] Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, [e] which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, [h] Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work [i] whereunto I have called them.

3 And [k] when they had fasted and prayed, and laid *their* hands on them, they sent *them* away.

4 [q] So they, being sent forth by the

A. D. 44.

[a] ch. 4. 36.
[b] Ps. 34. 7. Da. 3. 28. He. 1. 14.
[c] Job 5. 19. Ps. 34. 22. 2 Co. 1. 10. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[d] ch. 12. 25.
[e] ch. 8. 9.
[f] ch. 4. 23.
[g] ch. 15. 37.
[h] ver. 5.
[o] or, *ask who was there.*
[i] Ex. 7. 11. 2 Ti. 3. 8.
[j] ch. 4. 8.
[k] Ge. 48. 16. Mat. 18. 10.
[l] 1 Jno. 3. 8.
[m] 1 Sa. 5. 6.
[n] ch. 21. 40.
[o] ch. 15. 38.
[†] or, *bare an hostile mind, intending wrar.*
[p] Lu. 4. 16.
[‡] *that was over the king's bedchamber.*
[r] Ha. 13. 22.
[s] 1 Ki. 5. 9, 11. Ese. 27. 17.
[t] ch. 12. 17.
[u] De. 7. 6, 7.
[x] Ex. 1. 1.
[z] 1 Sa. 25. 38. 2 Sa. 21. 17. Ps. 115. 1.
[y] Ex. 16. 35.
[§] ἐτροποφόρησεν, perhaps for ἐτροφοφόρησεν, *bore, or, fed them, as a nurse beareth*, or, *feedeth her child*, De. 31, according to the LXX. and so Chrysostom.
[a] Is. 55. 11. Col. 1. 6.
[a] De. 7. 1.
[b] Jos. 14. 1, &c
[||] or, *charge.* ch. 11 29, 30.
[c] 1 Sa. 8. 5.
[d] ch. 14. 26. 15. 35.
[e] ch. 11 22. 26.
[f] 1 Sa. 16. 13.
[g] Ro. 16. 21.
[o] or, *Herod's foster-brother.*
[h] Nu. 8. 14. Ro. 1. 1. Ga. 1. 15. 2. 9.
[i] Ro. 10. 15. Ep. 3. 7, 8. He. 5. 4.
[j] Is. 11. 1. Ro. 1. 3.
[k] ch. 6. 6.
[l] Mat. 1. 21.

Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to [a] Cyprus.

5 And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews: and they had also [d] John to *their* minister.

6 And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found [e] a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name *was* Bar-jesus:

7 Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God.

8 But [f] Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith.

9 Then Saul, (who also *is called* Paul,) [f] filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,

10 And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, [f] *thou* child of the devil, *thou* enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?

11 And now, behold, [m] the hand of the Lord *is* upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and [o] John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.

14 [q] But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.

15 And [p] after the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, *Ye* men *and* brethren, if ye have [r] any word of exhortation for the people, say on.

16 Then Paul stood up, and [t] beckoning with *his* hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience.

17 The God of this people of Israel [u] chose our fathers, and exalted the people [v] when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.

18 And [y] about the time of forty years [§] suffered he their manners in the wilderness.

19 And when [a] he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, [b] he divided their land to them by lot.

20 And after that he gave *unto them* judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet.

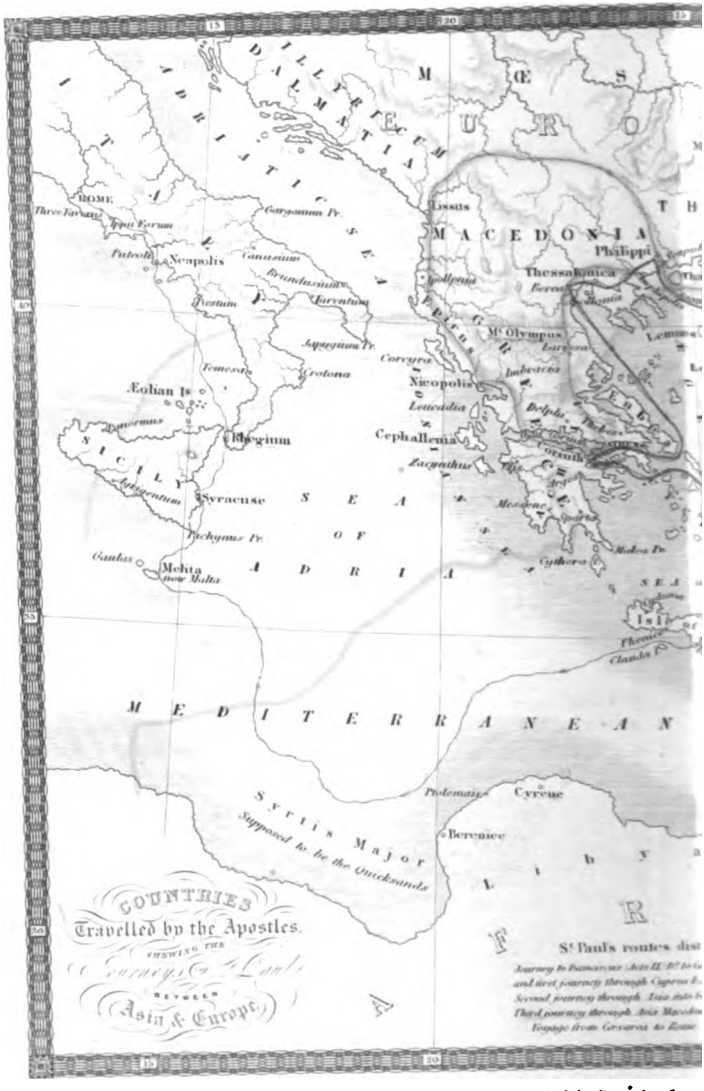
21 And [c] afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.

22 And when he had removed him, [f] he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23 Of [j] this man's seed hath God according to *his* promise raised unto Israel [k] a Saviour, Jesus:

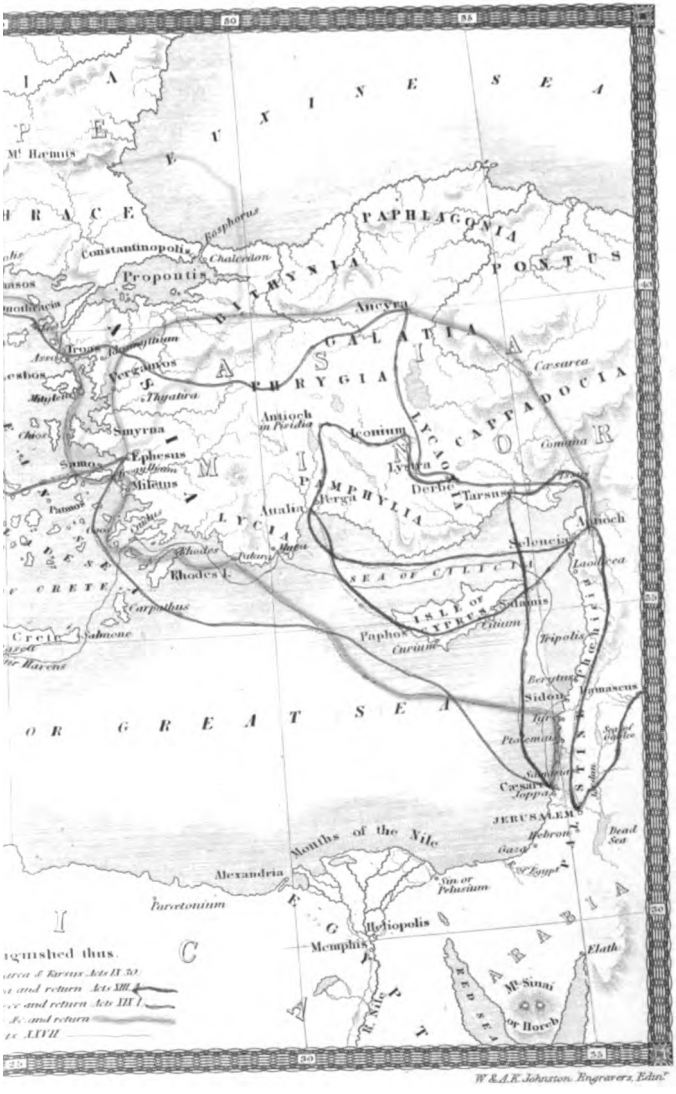
24 When John had first preached before his coming the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.

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25 And as John fulfilled his course, he said, [b] Whom think ye that I am? I am not *he*. But, behold, there cometh one after me, whose shoes of *his* feet I am not worthy to loose.

26 Men *and* brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, [c] to you is the word of this salvation sent.

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, [d] because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled *them* in condemning *him*.

28 And though they found no cause of death *in him*, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain.

29 And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took *him* down from the tree, and laid *him* in a sepulchre.

30 But [e] God raised him from the dead:

31 And [m] he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.

32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that [n] the promise which was made unto the fathers,

33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, [o] Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

34 And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, *now* no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, [p] I will give you the sure [q] mercies of David.

35 Wherefore he saith also in another *psalm*, [r] Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

36 For David, after he had † served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

37 But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.

38 ¶ Be it known unto you therefore, men *and* brethren, that [s] through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:

39 And [t] by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

40 Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in [b] the prophets;

41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them ‡ the next sabbath.

43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.

44 ¶ And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake [h] against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, [i] It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but [u] seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, [x] we turn to the Gentiles.

47 For so hath the Lord commanded us, *saying*, [d] I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: [f] and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and [k] raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts.

51 But [l] they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium.

52 And the disciples [l] were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

CHAP. XIV.

AND it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.

2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, [y] which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the [z] apostles.

5 And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with their rulers, [a] to use *them* despitefully, and to stone them,

6 They were ware of *it*, and [a] fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

7 And there they preached the gospel.

8 ¶ And [y] there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:

9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and [a] perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, [d] The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and [c] would have done sacrifice with the people.

14 *Which* when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard *of*, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? [d] We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from [f] these vanities *J* unto the living God, [g] which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

16 Who [m] in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.

A. D. 45.

[a] Ex. 32. 10. De. 32. 21. Is. 55. 5. Mat. 21. 43. Ro. 10. 19.
[b] Joo. 1. 20, 27.
[c] ch. 28. 28.
[d] Is. 42. 6. 49. 6. Lu. 2. 32.
[e] Lu. 24. 47.
[f] ch. 2. 47.
[g] 1 Co. 2. 6.
[h] Jno. 15. 20. 1 Co. 4. 9, 13. 2 Ti. 3. 11.
[i] Mar. 6. 11.
[k] ch. 2. 24.
[m] Jno. 16. 22.
[n] 1 Co. 15. 5, 7.
[o] Ge. 3. 15. Ro. 4. 13.
[p] Ps. 2. 7.
[q] Mar. 16. 20. Is. 3. 4.
[r] 2 Sa. 23. 5. Is. 55. 3.
[s] τα οσια, *holy*, or, *just things*: which word the LXX. both in the place of Is. 55. 3, and in many others, use for that which is in the Hebrew, *mercies*.
[t] Ps. 16. 10.
[u] ch. 13. 3.
† or, *in his own age served the will of God*. Ps. 78. 72.
[w] 2 Ti. 3. 11.
[x] Mat. 10. 23.
[y] Je. 31. 34. Da. 9. 24.
[z] ch. 3. 2.
[a] Is. 53. 11. Ro. 3. 28. 5. 1.
[b] Mat. 8. 10. 9. 28, 29.
[c] Is. 29. 14. Hab. 1. 5.
[d] Is. 35. 6.
[e] ch. 8. 10. 28. 6.
‡ *in the week between*, or, *in the sabbath between*.
[f] Da. 2. 46.
[g] He. 12. 15.
[h] Ja. 5. 17. Re. 19. 10.
[i] 1 Pe. 4. 4. Jude 10.
[k] 1 Sa. 12. 21. Je. 14. 22. Am. 2. 4. 1 Co. 8. 4.
[l] 1 Th. 1. 9.
[m] Ge. 1. 1. Ps. 33. 6. 146. 6. Re. 14. 7.
[n] Mat. 10. 6. Ro. 1. 16.
[o] Ps. 81. 12. 1 Pe. 4. 3.

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17 Nevertheless [a] he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and [b] gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

18 And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

19 ¶ And [c] there came thither *certain* Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, [d] and, having stoned Paul, drew *him* out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had [e] taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and *to* Iconium, and Antioch,

22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, *and* [f] exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that [g] we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

23 And when they had [h] ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they *commended* them to the Lord, *on* whom they believed.

24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26 And thence sailed to Antioch, [i] from whence they had been [j] recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.

27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had [k] opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

CHAP. XV.

AND [a] certain men which came down from Judæa taught the brethren, *and said*, [b] Except ye be circumcised [c] after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that [d] Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.

3 And [e] being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, [f] declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and *of* the apostles and elders, and [g] they declared all things that God had done with them.

5 But there [h] rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That [i] it was needful to circumcise them, and to command *them* to keep the law of Moses.

6 [k] And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, [l] Men *and* brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

8 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, [m] giving them the Holy Ghost, even as *he did* unto us;

9 And [n] put no difference between us and them, [o] purifying their hearts by faith.

10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, [p] to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

11 But [q] we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

12 ¶ Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

13 ¶ And after they had held their peace, [r] James answered, saying, Men *and* brethren, hearken unto me:

14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

16 After [s] this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore [t] my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles [u] are turned to God:

20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain [v] from pollutions of idols, and [w] *from* fornication, and *from* things strangled, [x] and *from* blood.

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, [y] being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; *namely*, Judas surnamed [z] Barsabas, and [a] Silas, chief men among the brethren:

23 And they wrote *letters* by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren *send* greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that [b] certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, *Ye must* be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no *such* commandment:

25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

26 Men [c] that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell *you* the same things by [d] mouth.

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

29 That [e] ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and [f] from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had

A. D. 46.

[a] ch. 17. 27. Ro. 1. 20.
[b] ch. 10. 44.
[c] Le. 26. 4. Ps. 147. 8. Je. 14. 22. Mat. 5. 45.
[d] Ro. 10. 11.
[e] ch. 10. 15, 28, 43. 1 Co. 1. 2. 1 Pe. 1. 22.
[f] Mat. 23. 4. Ga. 5. 1.
[g] ch. 13. 43.
[h] Ro. 3. 24. Ep. 2. 8. Tit. 3. 11. 1 Jo. 4. 5.
[i] 2 Co. 11. 23.
[j] 2 Ti. 3. 11.
[k] ch. 19. 17.
[l] *mademany disciples.*
[m] ch. 11. 23. 13. 43.
[n] Mat. 10. 38. Lu. 22. 28, 29 Ro. 8. 17. 2 Th. 1. 4, 5. 2 Ti. 2. 11, 12. 3. 12.
[o] Am. 9. 11, 12.
[p] Tit. 1. 5.
[q] ch. 13. 1, 3.
[r] ch. 15. 40.
[s] ver. 28.
[t] 1 Th. 1. 9.
[u] Ge. 35. 2 Is. 29. 3. 23. Ezek. 20. 30.
[v] 1 Co. 8. 1. Re. 2. 14, 20. 10. 20. 28.
[w] 1 Co. 6. 9, 18. Ga. 5. 19. Ep. 5. 3. Col. 3. 5. 1 Th. 4. 3.
[x] 1 Co. 16. 9. 2 Co. 2. 12. Col. 4. 3. Re. 3. 8.
[y] Ge. 9. 4. Le. 3. 17. De. 12. 16, 23.
[z] ch. 13. 15, 27.
[a] Ga. 2. 12.
[b] Jno. 7. 23. Ga. 5. 2. Phi. 3. 2. Col. 2. 8, 16.
[c] Ge. 17. 10. Le. 12. 3.
[d] ch. 1 23.
[e] 2 Co. 1. 19. 2 Th. 1. 1. 1 Pe. 5. 12. *Silvanus.*
[f] Le. 3. 17.
[g] Ro. 15. 24. 1 Co. 16. 6, 11.
[h] Ga. 2. 4. 5. 12. Tit. 1. 10, 11.
[i] ch. 14. 27.
[k] ch. 21. 19.
[l] ch. 13. 40. 1 Co. 15. 30. 2 Co. 11. 23, 26.

† or, *rose up, said they, certain.*

[m] 1 Co. 13. 11, 12.

‡ *word.*

[n] ch. 21. 25.
[o] Le. 17. 14.
[p] ch. 10. 20.

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gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

31 *Which* when they had read, they rejoiced for the † consolation.

32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, [g] exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed *them*.

33 And after they had tarried *there* a space, they were let [r] go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles.

34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35 Paul [s] also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

36 ¶ And some days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, *and see* how they do.

37 And Barnabas determined to take with them [t] John, whose surname was Mark.

38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, [u] who departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work.

39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, [x] being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.

41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, [y] confirming the churches.

CHAP. XVI.

THEN came he to [z] Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, [a] named Timotheus, [b] the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father *was* a Greek:

2 Which [c] was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.

3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and [d] took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.

4 And [e] as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, [f] that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.

5 And [g] so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and [h] were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia,

7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.

8 And they passing by Mysia [i] came down to Troas.

9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a [k] man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.

10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go [l] into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.

11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next *day* to Neapolis;

12 And from thence to [m] Philippi, which

A. D. 53.

[n] or, *the first.* † or, *exhortation.*

‡ *sabbath day*

[g] ch. 14. 22. 18. 23.
1 Th. 4. 1.
[h] Mar. 16. 15.
Ga. 2. 28.
[r] 1 Co. 16. 11.
He. 11. 31.
[s] Ps. 110. 3.
Lu. 24. 45.
Joo. 6. 44, 45.
1 Co. 3. 6, 7.
Ep. 1. 17, 18.
[t] ch. 13. 1.
[u] Ge. 19. 3. 33. 11.
Ju. 19. 21.
Lu. 24. 29.
He. 13. 2.
[x] 1 Sa. 20. 7.
[y] ch. 12. 12, 25.
Col. 4. 10.
2 Ti. 4. 11.
Phile. 24.
[z] or, *of Python.*
[a] ch. 19. 24.
[b] ch. 13. 13.
1 Co. 1. 11.
[c] Mar. 1. 25, 34.
[d] Mar. 16. 17.
[e] ch. 14. 26.
[f] ch 19. 23, 26.
[g] 2 Co. 6. 5.
[h] ch. 15. 5.
Col. 1. 23.
1 Pet. 5. 10.
[i] Mat. 10. 18.
[k] or, *court.*
[l] ch. 14. 6.
[m] ch. 17. 6.
[n] 1 Ki. 18. 17.
[o] ch. 19. 22.
Ro. 16. 21.
1 Co. 4. 17.
1 Ti. 1. 2.
2 Ti. 1. 2.
[p] 2 Ti. 1. 5.
[q] ch. 6. 3.
1 Ti. 3. 7.
He. 11. 2.
[r] 2 Co. 6. 5.
11. 23, 25.
1 Th. 2. 2.
[s] 1 Co. 9. 20.
Ga. 2. 3.
[t] ch. 15. 28, 29.
[u] Ps. 50. 15.
91. 15.
Ja. 5. 13.
[x] ch. 15. 41.
1 Co. 15. 58.
Ep. 4. 13, 16.
Mo. 13. 9, 20, 21.
2 Pet. 1. 5, 11.
[y] ch. 4. 31.
[z] ch. 5. 19.
12. 7, 10.
[a] Is. 30. 21.
1 Co. 12. 11.
[b] 2 Co. 2. 12.
2 Ti. 4. 12.
[c] Pr. 24. 11, 12.
Mat. 5. 44.
1 Th. 5. 15.
[d] ch. 10. 20.
[e] 2 Co. 2. 13.
[m] ch. 2. 37. 9. 6.
Lu. 3. 10.
Joo. 3. 16, 36. 6. 47.
1 Joo. 5. 10.
[n] Phi. 1. 1.

Lydia and the jailor converted.

is [n] the chief city of that part of Macedonia, *and* a colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days.

13 And on the ‡ sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, [h] and spake unto the women which resorted *thither*.

14 ¶ And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard *us*: [r] whose [d] heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.

15 And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought *us*, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide *there*. And [f] she constrained us.

16 ¶ And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel [g] possessed with a spirit § of divination met us, which brought her masters [i] much gain by soothsaying:

17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

18 And this did she many days. But Paul, [t] being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. [m] And he came out the same hour.

19 And [e] when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, [p] they caught Paul and Silas, and [q] drew *them* into the ‖ marketplace unto the rulers,

20 And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, [s] do exceedingly trouble our city,

21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.

22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, [u] and commanded to beat *them*.

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast *them* into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 ¶ And at midnight Paul and Silas [x] prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

26 And [y] suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately [z] all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.

27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled.

28 But Paul [a] cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,

30 And brought them out, and said, [m] Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

31 And they said, [n] Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of

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the night, and washed *their* stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, [b] he set meat before them, and [c] rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the serjeants, saying, Let those men go.

36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let you go: now therefore depart, and go in peace.

37 But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, *being* Romans, and have cast *us* into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay verily; but let them come themselves and fetch us out.

38 And the serjeants told these words unto the magistrates: and they feared, when they heard that they were Romans.

39 And they came and besought them, and brought *them* out, and [g] desired *them* to depart out of the city.

40 And they went out of the prison, and [h] entered into *the house of* Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

CHAP. XVII.

NOW when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

2 And Paul, [a] as his manner was, [i] went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,

3 Opening and alledging, [k] that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, [l] whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

4 And [i] some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and [m] Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 ¶ But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of [r] Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.

6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, [n] These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Cæsar, [s] saying that there is another king, *one* Jesus.

8 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city when they heard these things.

9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.

10 ¶ And [b] the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming *thither* went into the synagogue of the Jews.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and [t] searched [f] the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.

14 And [u] then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.

15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment [d] unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.

16 ¶ Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, [e] his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city [o] wholly given to idolatry.

17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this [†] babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

19 And they took him, and brought him unto [‡] Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, *is?*

20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean.

21 (For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.)

22 ¶ Then Paul stood in the midst of [§] Mars' hill, and said, *Ye* men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

23 For as I passed by, and beheld your [p] devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

24 God [x] that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is [y] Lord of heaven and earth, [z] dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, [a] as though he needed any thing, seeing [b] he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and [c] the bounds of their habitation;

27 That [d] they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

28 For [e] in him we live, and move, and have our being; [f] as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, [g] we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

30 And [h] the times of this ignorance God winked at; but [i] now commandeth all men every where to repent:

31 Because [k] he hath appointed a day, in the which [l] he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; [m] *whereof* he hath [†] given assurance unto all *men*, in that [n] he hath raised him from the dead.

32 ¶ And when they heard of the re-

[a] Mat. 10. 23.
[b] Lu. 5. 29. 19. 6.
[c] Ro. 5. 2, 11. 15. 13. Ga. 5. 22. Phi. 4. 4.
[d] ch. 18. 5.
[e] Ps. 69. 9. 119. 136. Je. 20. 9. 2 Pe. 2. 8.
[o] or, *full of idols.*
[f] ch. 22. 25.
[†] or, *base fellow.*
[g] Mat. 8. 34.
[h] ver. 14.
[‡] or, *Mars' hill.* It was the highest court in Athens.
[i] ch. 9. 20. 13. 5, 14. 14. 1. 16. 13. 19. 8. Lu. 4. 16.
[k] ch. 18. 28. Lu. 24. 26, 46. Ga. 3. 1.
[§] or, *the court of the Areopagites.*
[l] or, *whom,* said he, *I preach.*
[i] ch. 28. 24.
[p] or, *gods that ye worship.* 2 Th. 2. 4.
[m] ch. 15. 22, 27. 33, 40.
[n] ch. 14. 15.
[o] Mat. 11. 25.
[p] ch. 7. 48.
[r] Ro. 16. 21.
[s] Ps. 2. 6.
[t] Ge. 2. 7. Nu. 16. 22. Job 12. 10. 27. 3. 33. 4. Is. 42. 5. 57. 16. Zec. 12. 1. Jno. 1. 4.
[u] ch. 16. 20.
[x] De. 32. 6.
[y] Ps. 24. 1. [z] Lu. 23. 2. Jno. 19. 12. 1 Pe. 2. 16.
[a] Col. 1. 17. He. 1. 3.
[b] Tit. 1. 2.
[c] ch. 9. 25.
[d] Is. 40. 18.
[e] ch. 14. 16. Ro. 3. 25.
[f] Lu. 24. 47. Tit. 2. 11, 12. 1 Pe. 1. 14. 4. 3.
[g] Is. 34. 16. Lu. 16. 29. Jno. 5. 39.
[h] ch. 10. 42. Ro. 2. 16. 14. 10.
[†] or, *offered faith.*
[i] ch. 2. 24.

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surrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this *matter*.

33 So Paul departed from among them.

34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which *was* Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

CHAP. XVIII.

AFTER these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

2 And found a certain Jew named [a] Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.

3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, [b] and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.

4 And [c] he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

5 And [d] when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was [m]pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews *that* Jesus [e] *was* Christ.

6 And [n] when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, [f] he shook *his* raiment, and said unto them, [g] Your blood *be* upon your own heads; [h] I *am* clean: [i] from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

7 ¶ And he departed thence, and entered into a certain *man's* house, named Justus, *one* that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

8 And [o] Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

9 Then [p] spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

10 For [q] I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

11 And he [r] continued *there* a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

12 ¶ And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia, the Jews made insurrection with one accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment seat,

13 Saying, This *fellow* persuadeth men to worship God contrary to the law.

14 And when Paul was now about to open *his* mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, [s] If it were a matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O *ye* Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:

15 But if it be a question of words and names, and *of* your law, look *ye to it*; [t] for I will be no judge of such *matters*.

16 And he drave them from the judgment seat.

17 Then all the Greeks took [u] Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him* before the judgment seat. And [v] Gallio cared for none of those things.

18 ¶ And Paul *after this* tarried *there* yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having [w] shorn *his* head in [x] Cenchrea: for he had a vow.

19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.

20 When they desired *him* to tarry longer time with them, he consented not;

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[a] ch. 19. 21.
[b] 1 Co. 4. 12. He. 5. 3. Ja. 4. 15.
[c] Ge. 1. 2. 4 14.
[d] He. 13. 12, 13.
[e] Ro. 16. 3. 1 Co. 16. 19. 2 Ti. 4. 19.
[f] 1 Co. 1. 12. 4. 6. Tit. 3. 13.
[g] Ro. 12. 11.
[h] ch. 20. 26. 1 Co. 4. 12. 1 Th. 2. 9. 2 Th. 3. 8.
[i] ch. 17. 2.
[k] ch. 17. 14, 15.
[l] Pr. 9. 8. 23. 17, 18 Jno. 7. 17.
[m] Job 32. 18.
[n] or, *is the Christ*.
[o] ch. 13. 45. 1 Pe. 4. 4.
[p] ch. 13. 51. Na. 3. 13. Mat. 10. 14.
[q] 1 Co. 2. 6.
[r] 2 Co. 1. 24. Phi. 1. 25.
[s] Lu. 20. 9. 2 Sa. 1. 16. Eze. 18. 13. 33. 4. Eze. 3. 18, 19. 33. 9.
[t] ch. 13. 46. 28. 28.
[u] ch. 9. 22. 17. 3.
[v] or, *is the Christ*.
[w] 1 Co. 1. 12.
[x] 1 Co. 1. 14.
[y] ch. 23. 11.
[z] 1 Sa. 12. 22. Jno. 1. 15, 27, 30.
[a] Jo 1. 18, 19. Mat. 28. 20.
[b] ch. 16. 25. [c] *sat there.*
[c] ch. 1. 5. 11. 16. 13. 24, 25. Mat. 3. 11. Jno. 1. 15, 27, 30.
[d] ch. 9. 16, 17.
[e] ch. 6. 6.
[f] ch. 9. 4. 10 et. Mar. 16. 17.
[g] ch. 23. 29. 25. 11, 19
[h] ch. 17. 2. 18. 4.
[i] ch. 1. 3. 28. 23.
[k] Jno. 18. 31.
[l] [y] Tit. 1. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 2. Jude 10.
[m] ch. 2. 22. 3. 24. 16.
[n] 1 Co. 1. 1.
[o] ch. 20. 34.
[p] Am. 6. 6. 1 Co. 1. 23.
[q] ch. 14. 3. Mar. 16. 20.
[r] ch. 21. 24. Nu. 6. 18.
[s] Ro. 16. 1.
[t] 2 Ki. 4. 29.
[u] Mat. 12. 27.

21 But bade them farewell, saying, [k] I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, [l] if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

22 And when he had landed at Cæsarea, and gone up, and saluted the church, he went down to Antioch.

23 And after he had spent some time *there*, he departed, and went over *all* the country of [m] Galatia and Phrygia in order, [n] strengthening all the disciples.

24 ¶ And [o] a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, *and* mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.

25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being [p] fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto *them*, [q] and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

27 And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, [r] helped them much which had believed through grace:

28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, *and that* publickly, [s] shewing by the scriptures that Jesus [t] was Christ.

CHAP. XIX.

AND it came to pass, that, while [a] Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,

2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, [b] We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, [c] Unto John's baptism.

4 Then said Paul, [d] John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.

5 When they heard *this*, they were baptized [e] in the name of the Lord Jesus.

6 And when Paul had [f] laid *his* hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and [g] they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

7 And all the men were about twelve.

8 And [h] he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things [i] concerning the kingdom of God.

9 But [k] when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil [m] of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

10 And [n] this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.

11 And [o] God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:

12 So [p] that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

13 ¶ Then [q] certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name

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of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

14 And there were seven sons of *one* Sceva, a Jew, *and* chief of the priests, which did so.

15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

16 And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

17 And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and [b] fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.

18 And many that believed came, and [c] confessed, and shewed their deeds.

19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before *all men:* and they counted the price of them, and found *it* fifty thousand *pieces* of silver.

20 So [d] mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

21 [e] [†] After [g] these things were ended, Paul [‡] purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, [h] I must also see Rome.

22 So he sent into Macedonia two of them [i] that ministered unto him, Timotheus and [k] Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

23 And [l] the same time there arose no small stir about [m] that way.

24 For a certain *man* named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought [n] no small gain unto the craftsmen;

25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, [o] Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.

26 Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that [p] they be no gods, which are made with hands:

27 So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and [q] the world worshippeth.

28 And when they heard *these sayings*, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great *is* Diana of the Ephesians.

29 And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught [r] Gaius and [s] Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre.

30 And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not.

31 And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring *him* that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

33 And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And [t] Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.

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[*] *the temple-keeper.*

[a] Pr. 14. 29.
[b] ch. 2. 43. 5. 5, 11. 1 Sa. 6. 20. Ps. 64. 9. Lu. 1. 65. 7. 16.
[c] Mat. 3. 6.
[†] or, *the court days are kept.*
[d] ch. 6. 7. 12. 24.
[‡] or, *ordinary.*
[e] Ga. 2. 1.
[f] ch. 20. 22.
[g] ch. 18. 21. 23. 11. Ro. 15. 24, 28
[h] Pr. 15. 1, 2.
[i] ch. 13. 5.
[k] Ro. 16. 23. 2 Ti. 4. 20.
[l] Mat. 10. 22. 2 Co. 1. 8.
[m] ch. 9. 2.
[n] 1 Co. 16. 5. 1 Ti. 1. 3.
[o] ch. 18. 14, 19.
[p] ch. 25. 3. 2 Co. 11. 26.
[q] Lu. 16. 8. 1 Co. 1. 20.
[r] ch. 27. 2. Col. 4. 10.
[s] ch. 19. 29.
[t] ch. 16. 1.
[a] Ps. 115. 4. Is. 44. 10. 20. Je. 16. 3.
[v] Ep. 6. 21. Col. 4. 7. 2 Ti. 4. 12. Tit. 3. 12.
[w] ch. 21. 29. 2 Ti. 4. 20.
[x] Ex. 12. 14, 15 23. 15. De. 16. 1, &c.
[a] ch. 16. 8. 2 Co. 2. 12. 2 Ti. 4. 13.
[a] 1 Jno. 2. 16. 5. 19. Re. 13. 3, 8.
[b] 1 Co. 16. 2. Re. 1. 10.
[c] ch. 2. 42, 46. Mat. 26. 30, &c. 1 Co. 10. 16. 11. 20, &c.
[d] 1 Co. 15. 10. 2 Ti. 4. 2.
[e] Ro. 16. 23. 1 Co. 1. 14.
[f] ch. 1. 13.
[g] ch. 20. 4. 27. 2. Col. 4. 10. Phile. 24.
[h] 1 Ki. 17. 21 2 Ki. 4. 34.
[i] Mat. 9. 24.
[k] ch. 12. 17. 1 Ti. 1. 20. 2 Ti. 4. 14.

34 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

35 And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, [a] Ye men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is [a] worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the *image* which fell down from Jupiter?

36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, [b] ye ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.

37 For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor yet blasphemers of your goddess.

38 Wherefore if Demetrius, and the craftsmen which are with him, have a matter against any man, [†] the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.

39 But if ye enquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a [‡] lawful assembly.

40 For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

41 And [b] when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

CHAP. XX.

AND after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto *him* the disciples, and embraced *them*, and [a] departed *for* to go into Macedonia.

2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece,

3 And *there* abode three months. And [b] when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.

4 And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, [c] Aristarchus and Secundus; and [d] Gaius of Derbe, and [e] Timotheus; and of Asia, [f] Tychicus and [g] Trophimus.

5 These going before tarried for us at Troas.

6 And we sailed away from Philippi after [h] the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them [i] to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days.

7 And upon [k] the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together [l] to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; [d] and continued his speech until midnight.

8 And there were many lights [f] in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.

9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

10 And Paul went down, and [k] fell on him, and embracing *him* said, [i] Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.

11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.

12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

13 [†] And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take

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in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.

14 And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.

15 And we sailed thence, and came the next *day* over against Chios; and the next *day* we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next *day* we came to Miletus.

16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for [o] he hasted, if it were possible for him, [d] to be at Jerusalem the [i] day of Pentecost.

17 ¶ And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

18 And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, *from* the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,

19 Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:

20 *And* how I kept back nothing that was profitable *unto you*, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,

21 Testifying [k] both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, [l] repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

22 And now, behold, [k] I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

23 Save that [t] the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions [*] abide me.

24 But [u] none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, [v] so that I might finish my course with joy, [p] and the ministry, [q] which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

25 And now, behold, [w] I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.

26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I *am* [x] pure from the blood of all *men*.

27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all [z] the counsel of God.

28 ¶ Take [a] heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath [b] made you overseers, to feed the church of God, [c] which he hath purchased [d] with his own blood.

29 For I know this, that after my departing [e] shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

30 Also [f] of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

31 Therefore watch, and remember, that [g] by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and [l] to the word of his grace, which is able [m] to build you up, and to give you [n] an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

33 I [o] have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, [p] that these hands have ministered unto *my* necessities, and to them that were with me.

35 I have shewed you all things, [r] how

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[a] ch. 7. 60. 21. 5.
[b] Ge. 45. 14. 46. 29.
[c] ch. 21. 4, 12.
[d] ch. 24. 17.
[e] ch. 2. 1. Ex. 34. 22. 1 Co. 16. 8.
[f] ch. 18. 19. 19. 1, 10.
[g] ch. 20. 23.
[h] ch. 18. 5.
[i] ch. 2. 38. Mar. 1. 15. Lu. 24. 47.
[k] ch. 19. 21.
[l] 1 Th. 3. 3.
[m] Jno. 1. 11.
[*] or, *wait for me.*
[n] ch. 21. 13. Ro. 8. 35. 2 Co. 4. 16.
[o] 2 Th. 4. 7.
[p] ch. 1. 17. 2 Co. 4. 1.
[r] Ga. 1. 1. Tit. 1. 3.
[s] Ep. 4. 11. 2 Ti. 4. 5.
[t] ch. 8. 5. 8. 26, 40.
[u] Ro. 15. 23.
[v] ch. 2. 17. Joel 2. 28.
[x] Eze. 33. 3, 4. 2 Co. 7. 3.
[y] ch. 11. 29.
[z] Lu. 7. 30. Jno. 15. 15. Ep. 1. 11.
[a] 1 Ti. 4. 16. 1 Pe. 5. 2.
[b] 1 Co. 12. 28.
[c] Col. 1. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 5. 9.
[d] He. 9. 12. 14. Mat. 7. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 1.
[e] ch. 20. 24. Phi. 2. 25.
[g] 1 Ti. 1. 20. 1 Jno. 2. 19.
[h] Ro. 8. 35, 37. 2 Co. 4. 10. 18. 11. 23. 27. Phi. 1. 20, 21. 1 Th. 3. 3, 7.
[i] ch. 19. 10.
[k] Mat. 6. 10. 26. 42. Lu. 11. 2. 22. 42.
[l] He. 13. 9.
[m] ch. 7. 21.
[n] ch. 26. 18. Ep. 1. 18. Col. 1. 12. 3. 24. He. 9. 15. 1 Pe. 1. 4.
[o] 1 Sa. 12. 3. 1 Co. 9. 12. 2 Co. 7. 2. 12. 17.
[p] ch. 18. 3. 1 Co. 4. 12. 1 Th. 2. 9. 2 Th. 3. 8.
[r] ch. 15. 13. Ga. 1. 19. 2. 9.
[s] Ro. 15. 1. 2 Co. 11. 9, 12. 1 Th. 5. 14. 12. 13. Ep. 4. 28.

that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

36 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, he [s] kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

37 And they all wept sore, and [b] fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,

38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

CHAP. XXI.

AND it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the *day* following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:

2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.

3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.

4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days: [t] who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.

5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till *we were* out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned [m] home again.

7 And when we had finished *our* course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next *day* we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Cæsarea: and we entered into the house of Philip [r] the evangelist, [t] which was *one* of the seven; and abode with him.

9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, [v] which did prophesy.

10 And as we tarried *there* many days, there came down from Judæa a certain prophet, named [y] Agabus.

11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles.

12 And when we heard these things both we, and they of that place, besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.

13 Then Paul answered, [r] What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? [s] for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, [t] The will of the Lord be done.

15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There went with us also *certain* of the disciples of Cæsarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.

18 And the *day* following Paul went in with us unto [r] James; and all the elders were present.

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19 And when he had saluted them, [a] he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles [b] by his ministry.

20 And when they heard *it*, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are which believe; and they are all [c] zealous of the law:

21 And they are informed of thee, that thou [d] teachest all the Jews which are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, saying that they ought not to circumcise *their* children, neither to walk after the customs.

22 What is it therefore? the multitude must needs come together: for they will hear that thou art come.

23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;

24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may [e] shave *their* heads: and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but *that* thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law.

25 As touching the Gentiles which believe, [f] we have written *and* concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from *things* offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.

26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them [g] entered into the temple, [h] to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until that an offering should be offered for every one of them.

27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, [i] stirred up all the people, and [j] laid hands on him,

28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man, [k] that teacheth all men every where against the people, and the law, and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the temple, [l] and hath polluted this holy place.

29 (For they had seen before with him in the city [m] Trophimus an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)

30 And [n] all the city was moved, and the people ran together: and they took Paul, and drew him out of the temple: and forthwith the doors were shut.

31 And [o] as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar.

32 Who [p] immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them: and when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left [q] beating of Paul.

33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and [r] commanded *him* to be bound with two chains; and demanded who he was, and what he had done.

34 And some cried one thing, some another, among the multitude: and when he could not know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded him to be carried into the castle.

35 And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for [s] the violence of the people.

36 For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, [t] Away with him.

37 And as Paul was to be led into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

38 Art [u] not thou that [v] Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?

39 But Paul said, [w] I am a man *which am* a Jew of Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and, I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people.

40 And when he had given him license, Paul stood on the stairs, and [x] beckoned with the hand unto the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spake unto *them* in the Hebrew tongue, saying,

CHAP. XXII.

MEN, [a] brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence *which I make* now unto you.

2 (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he saith,)

3 I [b] am verily a man *which am* a Jew, born in Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city [c] at the feet of [m] Gamaliel, *and* taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and [n] was zealous toward God, [o] as ye all are this day.

4 And [p] I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women.

5 As also the high priest doth bear me witness, and [q] all the estate of the elders: [r] from whom also I received letters unto the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring them which were there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished.

6 And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me.

7 And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

8 And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, [s] whom thou persecutest.

9 And [t] they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.

10 And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.

11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.

12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, [u] having a good report of all the [v] Jews which dwelt *there*,

13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, [w] The God of our fathers [x] hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and [y] see that [z] Just One, and [a] shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

15 For [b] thou shalt be his witness unto all men of [c] what thou hast seen and heard.

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and [d] be baptized, and wash away thy sins, [e] calling on the name of the Lord.

17 And [f] it came to pass, that, when I was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance;

18 And saw him saying unto me, [g] Make

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[a] ch. 15. 4, 12. Ro. 15. 18, 19 2 Co. 12. 12.
[b] ch. 1. 17.
[c] ch. 5. 36.
[d] This Egyptian rose A. D. 55.
[e] ch. 9. 11.
[f] ch. 22. 3.
[g] Ro. 14. 1..6. 1 Co. 9. 19..22 Ga. 5. 1..6. 6. 12..15.
[h] ch. 12. 17.
[i] ch. 7. 2.
[j] ch. 18. 18. Nu. 6. 2, 13, 18.
[k] 2 Co. 11. 22. Phi. 3. 5, 6.
[l] De. 33. 3 2 Ki. 4. 39. Ps. 10. 39.
[m] ch. 5. 34.
[n] Ga. 1. 14.
[o] Ro. 10. 2.
[p] ch. 15. 20, 29.
[q] 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[r] Lu. 22. 66.
[s] ch. 9. 2, 3. 26. 10, 12.
[t] ch. 21. 18.
[u] Nu. 6. 13.
[v] 1 Ki. 21. 25.
[w] ch. 25. 21. Lu. 21. 12.
[x] ch. 24. 5, 6.
[a] Is. 65. 5. Je. 7. 4, &c.
[b] Mat. 25. 40, 45. 1 Co. 12. 12, 26, 27.
[c] Da. 10. 7.
[d] ch. 20. 4. 2 Ti. 4. 20.
[e] Mat. 21. 10.
[f] Jno. 16. 2.
[g] ch. 23. 27. 24. 7.
[h] ch. 10. 22.
[i] 1 Ti. 3. 7.
[k] Is. 3. 15.
[l] ch. 20. 23. Ep. 6. 20.
[m] ch. 3. 13, 14. 5. 30.
[n] ch. 26. 16. Je. 1. 8. Ro. 1. 1. Ga. 1. 15, 16.
[o] 1 Co. 9. 1. 15. 8.
[p] ch. 7. 52.
[q] 1 Co. 11. 23. Ga. 1. 12.
[r] ch. 23. 11.
[s] ch. 4. 20. 1 Co. 9. 1.
[t] ch. 9. 28. He. 10. 22.
[u] Ro. 10. 13.
[v] Ps. 55. 9. Hab. 1. 2, 3.
[w] 2 Co. 12. 2.
[x] ch. 22. 22. Lu. 23. 18. Jno. 19. 15.
[y] Mat. 10. 14.

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haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.

19 And I said, Lord, [b] they know that I imprisoned and [d] beat in every synagogue them that believed on thee:

20 And [f] when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and [g] consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.

21 And he said unto me, Depart: [h] for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.

22 And they gave him audience unto this word, and *then* lifted up their voices, and said, [i] Away with such a *fellow* from the earth: for it is not fit that [j] he should live.

23 And as they cried out, [m] and cast off *their* clothes, and threw dust into the air,

24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by [p] scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him.

25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, [m] Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?

26 When the centurion heard *that*, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man is a Roman.

27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yea.

28 And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was *free* born.

29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have † examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him from *his* bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, [s] and set him before them.

CHAP. XXIII.

AND Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men *and* brethren, [b] I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day.

2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him [t] to smite him on the mouth.

3 Then said Paul unto him, God shall smite thee, *thou* whited wall: for sittest thou to judge me after the law, and [u] commandest me to be smitten contrary to the law?

4 And they that stood by said, Revilest thou God's high priest?

5 Then said Paul, [f] I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest: for it is written, [g] Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people.

6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men *and* brethren, [h] I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: [i] of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question.

7 And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.

8 For [k] the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the Pharisees confess both.

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[a] ch. 25. 25. 28. 31.
[b] ch. 5. 3.
[c] ch. 22. 7, 17, 18.
[d] Mat. 10. 17.
[e] ch. 5. 30.
[f] ch. 7. 58.
[g] ch. 8. 1. Lu. 11. 48. Ro. 1. 32.
[h] Ro. 1. 5. 11. 13. 15. 16. Ga. 1. 15, 16. 2. 7, 8. Ep. 3. 7, 8. 1 Ti. 2. 7. 2 Ti. 1. 11.
[i] ch. 18. 9. 27. 23, 24.
[k] ch. 21. 36.
[l] ch. 25. 24.
[m] Ex. 10. 3.
[n] ch. 25. 3.
[o] Ne. 10. 29.
[o] or, *with an oath of execration.*
[p] Jno. 19. 1.
[r] 1 Sa. 14. 24, &c. Ps. 31. 13.
[s] Jno. 16. 2.
[t] Ps. 52. 1. Is. 3. 9. Je. 8. 12. Ho. 4. 9. Mi. 7. 3. Jno. 11. 47., 50.
[u] ch. 16. 37.
[v] Pr. 1. 11, 12. 16. 4. 16. Is. 59. 7. Ro. 3. 14., 16.
[x] Job 5. 13. 1 Co. 3. 19.
† or, *tortured him.* He. 11. 35.
[y] Ep. 3. 1. 4. 1. Philem. 9.
[z] Mat. 10. 17.
[a] ver. 12.
[b] ch. 24. 16. 1 Co. 4. 4. 2 Co. 1. 12. 4. 2. 2 Ti. 1. 3. He. 13. 18.
[c] 1 Ki. 22. 24. Je. 20. 2. Jno. 18. 22.
[d] Ps. 21. 11. 37. 32, 33. 2 Co. 11. 26.
[e] Le. 19. 35. De. 25. 1, 2. Jno. 7. 51.
[f] ch. 24. 17.
[g] Ex. 22. 28. Ec. 10. 20. 2 Pe. 2. 10. Jude 8.
[h] ch. 26. 5. Phi. 3. 5.
[i] ch. 24. 15, 21. 26. 6. 28. 20.
[k] Mat. 22. 23. Mar. 12. 18. Lu. 20. 27.
[l] ch. 21. 33. 24. 7.

9 And there arose a great cry: and the scribes *that were* of the Pharisees' part arose, and strove, saying, [a] We find no evil in this man: but [c] if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, [c] let us not fight against God.

10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring *him* into the castle.

11 And [c] the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

12 And when it was day, [a] certain of the Jews banded together, [o] and bound themselves [o] under a curse, saying that [p] they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

13 And [a] they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

14 And they came to [l] the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

15 Now therefore ye with the council signify to the chief captain that he bring him down unto you to morrow, as though ye would enquire something more perfectly concerning him: and we, or ever he come near, [s] are ready to kill him.

16 And [s] when Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.

17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto *him*, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

18 So he took him, and brought *him* to the chief captain, and said, Paul [p] the prisoner called me unto *him*, and prayed me to bring this young man unto thee, who hath something to say unto thee.

19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand, and went *with him* aside privately, and asked *him*, What is that thou hast to tell me?

20 And he said, [a] The Jews have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down Paul to morrow into the council, as though they would enquire somewhat of him more perfectly.

21 But do not thou yield unto them: [d] for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, which have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from thee.

22 So the chief captain *then* let the young man depart, and charged *him*, *See thou* tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to me.

23 And he called unto *him* two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Cæsarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;

24 And provide *them* beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring *him* safe unto Felix the governor.

25 And he wrote a letter after this manner:

26 Claudius Lysias unto the most excellent governor Felix *sendeth* greeting.

27 This [l] man was taken of the Jews, and should have been killed of them: then

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came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.

28 And [a] when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their council:

29 Whom I perceived to be accused *f* of questions of their law, [b] but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds.

30 And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent straightway to thee, and [c] gave commandment to his accusers also to say before thee what *they had* against him. Farewell.

31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought *him* by night to Antipatris.

32 On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:

33 Who, when they came to Cæsarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.

34 And when the governor had read *the letter*, he asked of what province he was. And when he understood that *he was* of [d] Cilicia;

35 I [e] will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in [f] Herod's judgment hall.

CHAP. XXIV.

AND after five days [g] Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and *with* a certain orator *named* Tertullus, [h] who informed the governor against Paul.

2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse *him*, saying, [i] Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,

3 We accept *it* always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.

4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.

5 For [k] we have found this man *a* pestilent *fellow*, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:

6 Who [l] also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would [m] have judged according to our law.

7 But [n] the chief captain Lysias came *upon us*, and with great violence took *him* away out of our hands,

8 Commanding [o] his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.

9 And the Jews also [p] assented, saying that these things were so.

10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of [q] many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:

11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem [r] for to worship.

12 And [s] they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, neither in the synagogues, nor in the city:

13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me.

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after [t] the way which they call heresy, so worship I the [u] God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in [v] the law and in the prophets:

15 And [w] have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, [x] that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

16 And [y] herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and *toward* men.

17 Now after many years [z] I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.

18 Whereupon [a] certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with tumult.

19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had ought against me.

20 Or else let these same *here* say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council,

21 Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, [b] Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.

22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of *that* way, he deferred them, and said, When [c] Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter.

23 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let *him* have liberty, and [d] that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him.

24 And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning [e] the faith in Christ.

25 And as he reasoned of [f] righteousness, temperance, and [g] judgment to come, Felix [h] trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, *i* willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.

CHAP. XXV.

NOW when Festus was come into the province, after three days he ascended from Cæsarea to Jerusalem.

2 Then [k] the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and besought him,

3 And desired favour against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying [l] wait in the way to kill him.

4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Cæsarea, and that he himself would depart shortly *thither*.

5 Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able, go down with me, and accuse this man, [m] if there be any wickedness in him.

6 And when he had tarried among them [n] more than ten days, he went down unto Cæsarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment seat commanded Paul to be brought.

7 And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, [o] and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove.

[a] ch. 9. 2. Am. 8. 14.
[b] 2 Ti. 1. 3.
[c] ch. 22. 30.
[d] ch. 21. 22. 39. 23.
[e] ch. 28. 20.
[f] ch. 18. 15. 25. 19.
[g] Da. 12. 2. Jno. 5. 28, 29.
[h] ch. 24. 31.
[i] ch. 23. 1.
[k] ch. 24. 5.
[l] ch. 11. 19, 20. Ro. 15. 25. 2 Co. 8. 4. Ga. 2. 10.
[m] ch. 21. 26, 27. 26. 21.
[n] ch. 23. 6. 26. 29.
[o] ch. 21. 39.
[p] ch. 24. 1, 10. 25. 16.
[q] Mat. 27. 27. Jno. 18. 28.
[r] ver. 7.
[s] ch. 23. 2, 30. 25. 2.
[t] Ps. 11. 2.
[u] ch. 27. 3. 28. 16.
[v] Ps. 12. 2. Pr. 26. 28. Jude 16.
[w] Ga. 2. 16. 1 Jno. 5. 1.
[x] Ps. 45. 7. Is. 1. 21. Jno. 16. 8.
[y] Ga. 5. 23.
[z] Ps. 50. 3, 4. Mat. 25. 31. ...46.
[a] Ro. 3. 19, 20. He. 4. 12.
[b] Ex. 28. 8.
[c] ch. 6. 13. 16. 20. 17. 6. La. 2. 2. 1 Pe. 3. 12, 13.
[d] ch. 12. 3. 23. 9, 14. Ex. 23. 2. Job 31. 34. Pr. 31. 9.
[e] ch. 21. 26.
[f] Jno. 18. 31. ch. 21. 33.
[g] ch. 23. 30.
[h] ch. 24. 1. Mat. 27. 1.
[i] ch. 23. 12, 15. Is. 59. 7, 8. Je. 22. 17. Mat. 23. 34, 35. Ro. 3. 15...18. Re. 17. 6.
[k] *Felix* made procurator over *Judea* A. D. 53.
[l] ver. 18. Job 29. 16.
[m] ch. 21. 28.
[n] or, as some copies read, *no more than eight or ten days.*
[o] ch. 28. 17.
[p] Mar. 15. 3. La. 3. 2, 3, 10.

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8 While he answered for himself, [a] Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the temple, nor yet against Cæsar, have I offended any thing at all.

9 But Festus, [b] willing to do the Jews a pleasure, answered Paul, and said, [c] Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?

10 Then said Paul, I stand at Cæsar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as thou very well knowest.

11 For [f] if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me unto them. [g] I appeal unto Cæsar.

12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Hast thou appealed unto Cæsar? [h] unto Cæsar shalt thou go.

13 And after certain days king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Cæsarea to salute Festus.

14 And when they had been there many days, Festus declared Paul's cause unto the king, saying, [i] There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:

15 About whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed *me*, desiring *to have* judgment against him.

16 To whom I answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him.

17 Therefore, when they were come hither, without any delay on the morrow I sat on the judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth.

18 Against whom when the accusers stood up, they brought none accusation of such things as I supposed:

19 But [m] had certain questions against him of their own superstition, and of one Jesus, which [n] was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive.

20 And because † I doubted of such manner of questions, I asked *him* whether he would go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.

21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the ‡ hearing of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I might send him to Cæsar.

22 Then [p] Agrippa said unto Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To morrow, said he, thou shalt hear him.

23 And on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, [r] with great pomp, and was entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains, and principal men of the city, at Festus' commandment Paul was brought forth.

24 And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us, ye see this man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews have dealt with me, both at Jerusalem, and *also* here, crying that he ought [s] not to live any longer.

25 But when I found that [t] he had committed nothing worthy of death, [u] and that he himself hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.

26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Wherefore I have brought him forth before you, and specially before thee, O king Agrippa, that, after examination had, I might have somewhat to write.

27 For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, [x] and not withal to signify the crimes *laid* against him.

CHAP. XXVI.

THEN Agrippa said unto Paul, [a] Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:

2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before thee touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:

3 Especially *because I know* thee to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among mine own nation at Jerusalem, know all the Jews;

5 Which knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after [c] the most straitest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.

6 And [d] now I stand and am judged for the hope of [m] the promise made of God unto our fathers:

7 Unto which *promise* our [n] twelve tribes, instantly serving *God* [o] day [o] and night, [p] hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.

8 Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

9 I [r] verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.

10 Which [s] thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority [t] from the chief priests; and when *they* were put to death, I gave my voice against *them*.

11 And [v] I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled *them* to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted *them* even unto strange cities.

12 Whereupon [x] as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests,

13 At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.

14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? [z] it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, [a] to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

17 Delivering thee from the people, and *from* the Gentiles, [c] unto whom now I send thee,

18 To [f] open their eyes, *and* [g] to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the power of Satan unto God, [h] that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and

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[a] ch. 6. 13. 24. 12. 25. 17.
[b] Lu. 23. 24, 25.
[c] Pr. 18. 13. Jno. 7. 51.
[d] ver. 32.
[e] ch. 25. 16.
[f] ver. 25. ch. 23. 29. 25. 31.
[g] ch. 25. 32. 28. 19.
[h] Ps. 76. 10. Is. 3. 37. Phil. 1. 12. 14, 20.
[i] ch. 22. 3. 24. 15, 22. Pr. 20. 13. Is. 65. 5. Lu. 18. 11, 12. Phi. 3. 5.
[k] He. 13. 3.
[l] ch. 23. 6.
[m] Ge. 3. 15. 49. 10. De. 18. 15. 2 Sa. 7. 12. Ps. 132. 11. Is. 9. 6. Je. 23. 5, 6. Eze. 34. 23. Da. 9. 24. Mi. 7. 20. Ro. 15. 8. Tit. 2. 13.
[n] Ja. 1. 1.
[o] *night and day.*
[p] Lu. 2. 37. 1 Ti. 5. 5. 1 Th. 3. 10.
[r] Phi. 3. 11.
[s] Jno. 16. 2. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[t] ch. 8. 3. Ga. 1. 13.
[v] Mal. 3. 7, 9.
[x] ch. 16. 15. 22. 29. Da. 6. 6. 1 Co. 2. 14.
[z] ch. 22. 3.
† or, *I was doubtful how to enquire hereof.*
‡ or, *judgment.*
[a] ch. 9. 15.
[b] Ja. 1. 11. 1 Jno. 2. 16.
[c] 1 Co. 4. 1.
[d] Jno. 19. 18.
[e] 1 Sa. 12. 3, 4. Ps. XV. Ro. 10. 2.
[f] ver. 11, 12.
[g] Ro. 15. 9. 13.
[h] Is. 35. 5. 42. 7. Lu. 1. 79. Jno. 8. 12. 2 Co. 4. 4. Ep. 1. 18. 1 Th. 5. 5.
[i] 2 Co. 6. 14. Ep. 4. 18. 5. 8. Col. 1. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 9, 25.
[k] Lu. 1. 77

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inheritance among them which [a] are sanctified by faith that is in me.

19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:

20 But [b] shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judæa, and *then* to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do [c] works meet for repentance.

21 For these causes [d] the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill *me*.

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those [e] which the prophets and [f] Moses did say should come:

23 That [g] Christ should suffer, *and* [h] that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and [i] should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, [k] thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

29 And Paul said, [l] I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.

30 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them:

31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, [m] This man doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds.

32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Cæsar.

CHAP. XXVII.

AND when [n] it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain *other* prisoners unto *one* named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' band.

2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of Asia; *one* [o] Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.

3 And the next [p] *day* we touched at Sidon. And Julius [q] courteously entreated Paul, and gave *him* liberty to go unto his friends to refresh himself.

4 And when we had launched from thence, we sailed under Cyprus, because [r] the winds were contrary.

5 And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, *a city* of Lycia.

6 And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy; and he put us therein.

7 And when we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce were come over against Cnidus, the wind not suffering us, we sailed under [s] Crete, over against Salmone:

8 And, hardly passing it, came unto a

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[a] ch. 20. 32. Ep. 1. 11. Col. 1. 12.

[*] The Fast was on the tenth day of the seventh month. Le. 23. 27, 29 Nu. 29. 7.

[b] ch. 9. 20, 22. XIII. XXI.

[c] Am. 3. 7.

† or, *injury*.

[d] Mat. 3. 6.

[e] ch. 21. 30, 31.

[f] Ex. 9. 20, 21. 2 Ki. 5. 10. Pr. 27. 12. Ha. 11. 7.

[g] Ro. 3. 21.

[h] Jno. 5. 46.

[i] Lu. 24. 26, 46.

[k] 1 Co. 15. 20. Col. 1. 18. Re. 1. 5.

[l] Lu. 2. 32.

[m] Lu. 12. 55.

[n] 2 Ki. 9. 11. Jno. 10. 20. 1 Co. 1. 23. 2. 13, 14. 4. 10.

‡ or, *beat*.

[o] Ps. 107. 25. 27. Mar. 4. 37.

[p] Ja. 3. 4.

[r] 1 Co. 7. 7.

[q] Jon. 1. 5.

[s] Ex. 10. 21. 23. Mat. 24. 29.

[m] Ps. 42. 6, 7. 88. 6. 2 Co. 1. 8.

[v] Jno. 19. 5.

[x] 1 Sa. 30. 6. Job 22. 29, 30 Ps. 112. 7. 2 Co. 1. 4, 5, 6. 8, 9.

[y] ch. 25. 12, 25.

[z] ch. 23. 11.

[a] Da. 6. 16. Jno. 12. 26. Ro. 1. 9. 2 Ti. 1. 3.

[b] Is. 56. 12. Ja. 5. 16.

[c] ch. 19. 29. Col. 4. 10. Phile. 24.

[d] Lu. 1. 45. Ro. 4. 20, 21. 2 Ti. 1. 12.

[e] ch. 24. 23. 28. 16.

[f] ch. 28. 1.

[g] Mar. 6. 49.

[h] De. 28. 67. Job 7. 4. Ps. 130. 6.

[i] or, *Candy*.

place which is called The fair havens; nigh whereunto was the city of Lasea.

9 Now when much time was spent, and when sailing was now dangerous, [*] because the fast was now already past, Paul admonished *them*,

10 And said unto them, Sirs, [x] I perceive that this voyage will be with [y] hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives.

11 Nevertheless the centurion [z] believed the master and the owner of the ship, more than those things which were spoken by Paul.

12 And because the haven was not commodious to winter in, the more part advised to depart thence also, if by any means they might attain to Phenice, *and there* to winter; *which is* an haven of Crete, and lieth toward the south west and north west.

13 And when [a] the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained *their* purpose, loosing *thence*, they sailed close by Crete.

14 But not long after there [b] arose against it [c] a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.

15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, [d] we let *her* drive.

16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come by the boat:

17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing least they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.

18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship;

19 And the third *day* [e] we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.

20 And when [f] neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on *us*, [g] all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

22 And now [h] I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life among you, but of the ship.

23 For [i] there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and [k] whom I serve,

24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Cæsar: and, lo, [l] God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: [m] for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

26 Howbeit [n] we must be cast upon a certain island.

27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;

28 And sounded, and found *it* twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found *it* fifteen fathoms.

29 Then fearing lest they should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, [o] and wished for the day.

30 And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under colour

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as though they would have cast anchors out of the foreship,

31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved.

32 Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off.

33 And while the day was coming on, Paul besought *them* all *to* take meat, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried and continued fasting, having taken nothing.

34 Wherefore I pray you to take *some* meat: for this is for your health: for [e] there shall not an hair fall from the head of any of you.

35 And when he had thus spoken, he took bread, and [f] gave thanks to God in presence of them all: and when he had broken *it*, he began to eat.

36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took *some* meat.

37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen [g] souls.

38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea.

39 And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they discovered a certain creek with a shore, into the which they were minded, if it were possible, to thrust in the ship.

40 And when they had [o] taken up the anchors, they committed *themselves* unto the sea, and loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.

41 And falling into a place where two seas met, [l] they ran the ship aground; and the forepart stuck fast, and remained unmoveable, but the hinder part was [m] broken with the violence of the waves.

42 And the soldiers' counsel was [n] to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out, and escape.

43 But the centurion, [p] willing to save Paul, kept them from *their* purpose; and commanded that they which could swim should cast *themselves* first *into the sea*, and get to land:

44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on *broken pieces* of the ship. And so it came to pass, [u] that they escaped all safe to land.

CHAP. XXVIII.

AND when they were escaped, then they knew that [v] the island was called Melita.

2 And the [s] barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.

3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid *them* on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

4 And when the barbarians saw the *venomous* beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.

5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and [d] felt no harm.

6 Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said [f] that he was a god.

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[a] Ja. b. 14,15.
[b] ch. 19.11,12. Mar. 6. 5. 7. 36. 16. 18. Lu. 4. 40. 1Co.12.9,28.
[c] Mat. 15. 6. 1 Ti. 5. 17.
[d] 2 Co.6.2..6. Phl.4.11,12.
[e] 1 Ki. 1. 52. Mat. 10. 30. Lu. 12. 7. 21. 16.
[f] 1 Sa. 9. 13. Mat. 15. 36. Mar. 8. 6. Jno. 6. 11. 1 Ti. 4. 3, 4.
[g] ch. 2. 41. 7. 14. Ro. 13. 1. 1 Pe. 3. 20.
[h] Ps. 119. 63. Mat. 10. 11.
[o] *or, cut the anchors, they left them in the sea, &c.*
[i] Jos. 1. 6,7,9. Ps. 27. 14. 2 Co.7.5..7.
[k] ch. 24. 25. 27. 3.
[l] 2 Co. 11. 25.
[m] Eze. 27. 26, 34.
[n] Ps. 74. 20. Mar. 7. 21.
[o] ch.24.12,13. 25. 8.
[p] Pr. 16. 7.
[r] ch. 21. 33.
[s] ch. 22. 24. 24. 10. 25. 21.
[t] ch. 25. 11.
[u] ver. 22. 1 Pe. 4. 18.
[v] ch. 27. 26.
[w] Je. 14. 8.
[y] ch. 26. 29. Ep. 3. 1. 4. 1. 6. 20. 2 Ti. 1. 16. 2. 9. Phile.10,13.
[z] Ro. 1. 14. 1 Co. 14. 11. Col. 3. 11.
[a] ch. 24. 5, 14. Lu. 2. 34. 1 Pe. 2. 12. 4. 14.
[b] ch. 17. 3, 4. 19. 8, 9. Lu. 24. 27.
[c] See on ch. 26. 6.
[d] Ps. 91. 13. Mar. 16. 18. Lu. 10. 19.
[e] ch. 14. 4. Ro. 10. 16. Ep. 2. 8. He. 4. 2.
[f] ch. 14. 11.

7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and [c] prayed, and [b] laid his hands on him, and healed him.

9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:

10 Who also honoured us with many [e] honours; and when we departed, [d] they laded *us* with such things as were necessary.

11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried *there* three days.

13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:

14 Where [k] we found brethren, and were desired to tarry with them seven days: and so we went toward Rome.

15 And from thence, when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum, and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, [i] and took courage.

16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but [k] Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.

17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men *and* brethren, [a]though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet [r] was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.

18 Who, [t] when they had examined me, would have let *me* go, because there was no cause of death in me.

19 But when the Jews spake against *it*, [r] I was constrained to appeal unto Cæsar; not that I had ought to accuse my nation of.

20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see *you*, and to speak with *you*: because that [x] for the hope of Israel I am bound with [y] this chain.

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judæa concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where [z] it is spoken against.

23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into *his* lodging; [a] to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, [b] both out of the law of Moses, and *out of* the prophets, from morning till evening.

24 And [c] some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,

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26 Saying, "Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:

27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

28 Be it known therefore unto you, that

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[a] Is. 6. 9. Je. 5. 21. Eze. 12. 2. Jno. 12. 40. Ro. 11. 8.

[b] ch. 13. 46, 47. 18. 6. Mat. 21. 41. 43. Ro. 11. 11.

[c] ch. 4. 31. Eph. 6. 19.

the salvation of God is sent [b] unto the Gentiles, and *that* they will hear it.

29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

31 Preaching [c] the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Ch. XVII. 15.—ATHENS. Athens rose into being about 1600 years prior to the incarnation. For science, for wealth, for architectural grandeur, and for unnatural bared conquests, its inhabitants were anciently famous through Europe and the East. Not less than forty colonies owned Athens as their prolific parent. For near 900 years she was ruled by kings of the family of Cecrops, her original founder, and a native of Egypt. About 600 years before Christ Athens became a republic. Athens produced those most renowned philosophers, Solon, Socrates, and Aristides; and those equally renowned military commanders, Miltiades, Cimon, Themistocles, and Phocion. Here, too, Demosthenes was born, and poured forth his powerful eloquence. Athens is situated in that district of Greece formerly known by the name of Attica, and was the most celebrated city of antiquity. It has again struggled into eminence, and become the capital of the infant kingdom of Otho, bidding fair to rival its ancient glories. All Greece was given to idolatry; its deities amounted to 30,000: and Athens was stupified with idolatry, admitting readily every idol that was recommended for adoration.

Ch. XX. 6.—TROAS. This name denotes both a country lying west of Mysia, and the principal city of that country. This city was a sea-port, and lay near the site of ancient Troy. It was built by Lysimachus, one of the generals of Alexander. Under Augustus it was made a Roman colony, and rose to considerable importance. It has, however, long gone to decay, and its ruins serve the Turks for a quarry.

Ch. XX. 17.—MILETUS, or Miletum. A city and sea-port of Ionia. This city was once powerful and illustrious. It was the first settled in Ionia, and claimed to be the mother of not fewer than seventy-five cities in Pontus, Egypt, and various other parts. The whole Euxine Sea was frequented by its ships. It was styled the head and metropolis of Ionia, the bulwark of Asia. It withstood Darius, and refused to admit Alexander. Hecateus and Thales were among its citizens. At present it is a very mean place; the only relic of its former magnificence is the ruins of a theatre; and its whole site is to a great extent overspread with rubbish, and overgrown with thickets.

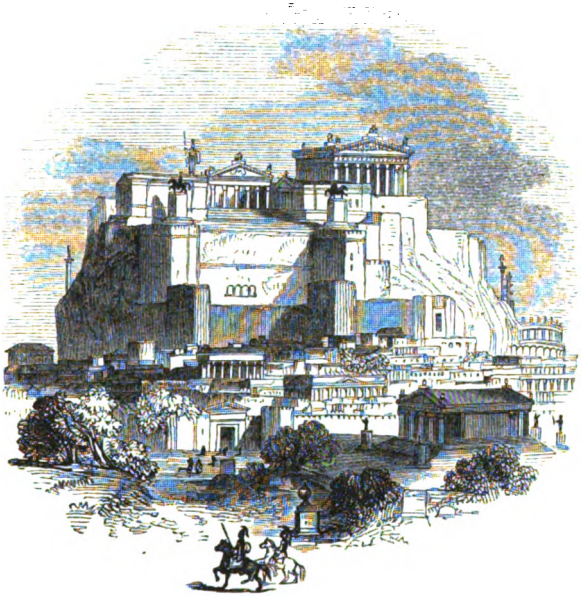
Ch. XXI. 1.—RHODES. Takes its name from the Greek *rhodon*, 'a rose,' because the island abounded much with these flowers. This island stands in the Archipelago, and is about 120 miles in circumference. The Rhodians were governed by kings, but afterwards formed themselves into a republic. At length they fell a prey to the Romans. Subsequently it was possessed by the Saracens, and then by the Greeks. In 1293 it was taken by the Turks. In 1308 it fell into the hands of the knights of Jerusalem, and in 1522 the Ottoman Turks gained possession, and still hold it. Savary found the capital inhabited chiefly by Turks, and five towns and forty-one villages inhabited by Greeks. There are also some Jews resident in the capital. In ancient times Rhodes was distinguished for the beauty and magnificence of its port, streets, walls, and public edifices, and works of art, both in painting and sculpture. Rhodes is chiefly famous for its brazen Colossus, which was 105 feet high, made by Charus of Lyndus; it continued perfect only fifty-six years, being thrown down by an earthquake. This statue was erected in honour of Apollo, on account of a victory gained over the Macedonians. When the island was conquered by the Saracens, in A.D. 684, the fallen and broken statue was beaten to pieces, and sold to a Jew merchant, who loaded about 900 camels with its spoils. The legs of this enormous figure strided over the entrance of the harbour, the feet being placed on two rocks. The vessels that entered the harbour passed through the legs of this renowned wonder of the world.

Ch. XXI. 7.—PTOLEMAIS. Ptolemais in the New Testament is the same as Accho in the Old, of which mention is made in Judges i. 31. It is called Ptolemais in the New Testament from one of the Ptolemeys who enlarged and beautified it. It has subsequently been called by the crusaders St. Jean d'Acre, from a magnificent church which was built within its walls, and dedicated to St. John. The Turks call it Akka. The town is situated on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea, on the north angle of a bay which extends in a semi-circle of three leagues, as far as the point of mount Carmel. Its present population is estimated at about 20,000.

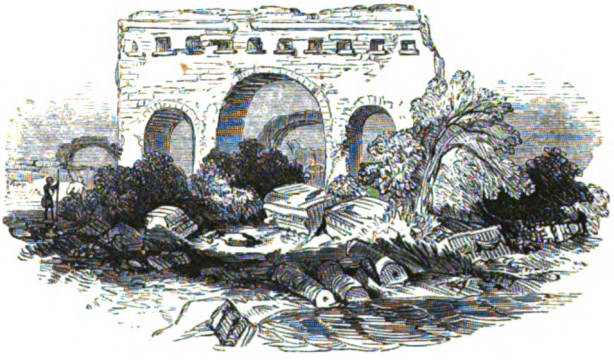
Ch. XXII. 3.—TARSUS. In the Old Testament this place is called Tarshish. It was the capital of Cilicia, of which city Paul was a native, Acts ix. 11; xxi. 39. Its situation is south-east of Asia Minor, and on the northern coast of the Mediterranean. Standing on a plain on the banks of the river Cydnus, this city was well situated for trade and commerce, and hence all merchant and trading vessels came to be called "ships of Tarshish." It was both populous and wealthy. This since proud capital retains its ancient name, pronounced *Tersoos*, but scarcely a vestige remains of its former magnificence. The modern town does not occupy a fourth part of the area of the Roman city. Its houses seldom exceed one story in height; they are flat-roofed, and the greater part are constructed with hewn stone, furnished by the more ancient edifices. The population is still considerable, amounting to about 30,000 souls. There is an appearance of much business in the bazaars. The inhabitants consist of Armenians, Turks, Turcomans, and some Greeks. This place was deemed of so much consequence during the Roman empire, that it was peculiarly honoured with the privileges of a Roman colony. Some think that these privileges were granted for its firm adherence to Julius Cæsar, who made the inhabitants citizens of Rome. Thence Paul was free of Rome, by being born in Tarsus. Others believe that Tarsus, though a free city, was not a Roman colony in the time of Paul; and that the privilege of being a citizen of Rome belonged to the apostle, not as a denizen of Tarsus, but by some personal right derived from his father or ancestors. Tarsus was a seat of learning as well as commerce, and rivalled the most celebrated schools.

Ch. XXVIII. 13.—PUTEOLI. This is a city of Campania in Italy, about eight miles from Naples, and one hundred south of Rome. It is supposed to have derived its name from its warm baths, of which it contains a considerable number. The Romans, sensible of the utility of this port, took great pains to improve its natural advantages; but now nothing remains of their works but a line of piers, vulgarly called the bridge of Caligula. The ruins of its ancient edifices are widely spread along the adjacent hills and shores. Puteoli in its best days carried on a considerable trade with Alexandria in Egypt. The modern name of Puteoli is Pozzuolo. Here Paul took shelter a day, Acts xxviii. 13. Among the advantages which Puteoli formerly enjoyed, it was a municipium or town corporate, and invested with the privileges and liberties of Rome. 'It is easy to conceive,' remarks Prot. Henry Horne, 'what the animation and splendour of Puteoli must have been at the time when the riches of the East were poured into its bosom, and when its climate, baths, and beauty, allured the most opulent Romans to its vicinity. Commerce, however, has long since forsaken it: the port which once engrossed the traffic of the East, and was accustomed to behold the Roman navy riding on its bosom, is all solitude and silence—not one sail is spread, not even a boat is seen to ply on its forsaken waters. *Sic transit gloria mundi.*—So the fashion of this world passeth away; but a solemn lesson is written on its remaining fragments of grandeur—"Vanity of vanities, all is vanity!" only "he who doeth the will of God abideth for ever."

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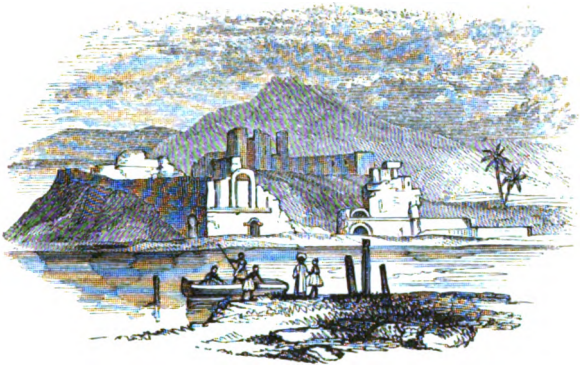


ATHENS.—*Composition.*—Ac. xvii. 15.

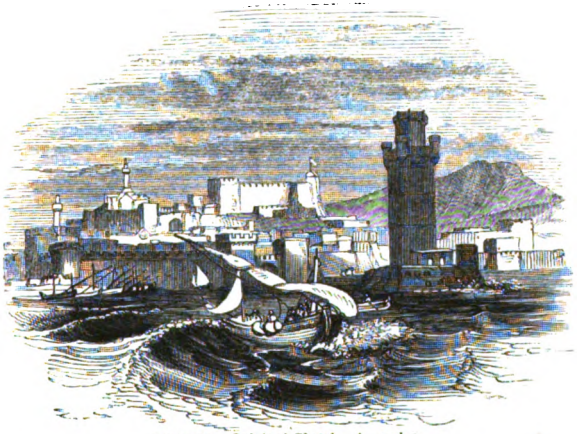


PORT OF TROAS.—*Sir R. K. Porter.*—Ac. xx. 6.

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MILETUS.—*La Borde.*—Ac. xx. 17.



RHODES.—*Original Sketch.*—Ac. xxi. 1.

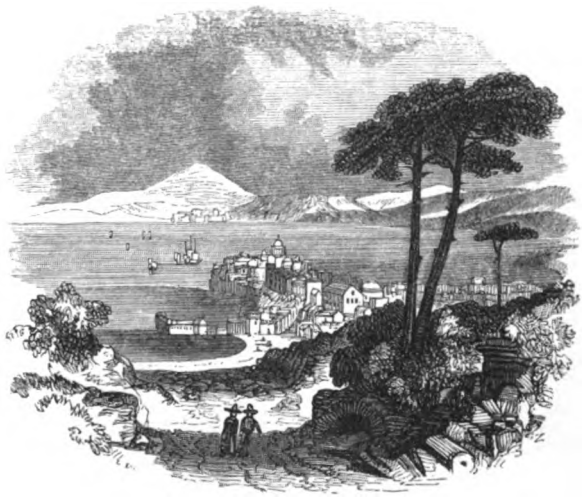


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TARSUS.—*La Borde.*—Ac. xxii. 3.



PUTEOLI.—Ac. xxviii. 13.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO MATTHEW.

Ch. I.—1. *The book of the generation of Jesus Christ the Son of David, the Son of Abraham.* This method of proving descents was practised by the Arabians. Niebuhr says, 'The Arabians have contrived a compendious mode of verifying their lines of descents. From among their later ancestors they select some illustrious man from whom they are universally allowed to be descended. This great man, again, is as universally allowed to be descended from some other man; and thus they proceed backwards to the founder of the family.'

Ch. II.—1. *In Bethlehem of Judæa.* Situated about six miles from Jerusalem. *From the east.* This country might either be Persia, where the principal residence of the magi was, or else Arabia, to which ancient authors say they did, and undoubtedly they easily might, extend themselves; which, it is well known, abounded in the valuable things of which their present consisted, and concerning which Psalm lxxii. speaking of the Messiah, says, "the kings of Arabia and Saba (or Sabea, an adjoining region,) shall bring gifts;" and again, "unto him shall be given of the gold of Sheba." 11. *They presented unto him gifts.* Some bring the silver anklets, others the bracelets, or ear-rings, or silver cord for the loins. Others, however, take gold, and a variety of needful articles. The wise men did not make presents as a matter of charity, but to show their affection and respect. When the infant son of a king is shown, the people make their obeisance to him. *Gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.* These were the natural productions of that country, from which the wise men are supposed to have come, Arabia or Sabea. 22. *Archelaus did reign.* He was afraid. Archelaus was a son of Herod, who rivalled the cruelties of his father, massacring three thousand Jews in the Temple, near the beginning of his government. 23. *A city called Nazareth.* Nazareth is beautifully situated; but though it is called a city in the sacred volume, it is now an inconsiderable village, and the houses are as much marked by poverty as the inhabitants. The vale in which it lies resembles a circular basin encompassed by mountains: it seems as if fifteen mountains met to form an inclosure for this delightful spot; they rise around it like the walls of a shell to guard it from intrusion. It abounds in fig trees, small gardens, and hedges of the prickly pear; and the dense rich grass affords an abundant pasture. The village stands on the west side of the valley. The houses are small, flat-roofed, and built of a light porous stone. The bazaars are small square rooms, having only a door way; and a gutter runs through the middle of the streets. The present population of Nazareth is estimated at from fifteen hundred to two thousand, six hundred of whom are called Christians. —Finden's Illustrations by Horne, extracted from Rae Wilson, Dr. Richardson, Dr. Clarke's Travels, and Madox's Excursions in the Holy Land. Lord Lindsay gives a less flattering view of Nazareth and says, 'The vale of Nazareth is not remarkable for the beauty ascribed to it by travellers; its hills are barren and uncultivated, and the grove of fig-trees we passed through descending to the village was very scanty.'

Ch. III.—3. *The voice of one crying,—Prepare ye the way, &c.* Diodorus Siculus says of Semiramis, that in her march to Ecbatana, she came to the Sarcean mountain, which, extending many furlongs, and being full of craggy precipices and deep hollows, could not be passed without making a great compass about. Being, therefore, desirous of leaving an everlasting memorial of herself, as well as of shortening the way, she ordered the precipices to be digged down, and the hollows to be filled up; and, as a great expense was made in a shorter and more expeditious road, which, to this day, is called the road of Semiramis. 4. *And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair.* His raiment was not made of the fine hair of that animal, whereof an elegant kind of cloth is made, which is thence called camlet, (in imitation of which, though made of wool, is the English camlet,) but of the long and shaggy hair of camels, which is in the East manufactured into a coarse stuff, anciently worn by monks and anchorites. It is in only when understood in this way, that the words suit the description here given of John's manner of life. *His meat was locusts.* These were allowed as food by the Mosaic law, and are eaten by the poorer Arabs to this day. *And wild honey.* This is deposited by the wild bees in the woods of Judæa in great abundance. 11. *Whose shoes I am not worthy to bear.* Among the Arabs sandals still consist in wooden soles. They are fastened to the sole of the foot by means of two straps, one of which passes between the great and the second toe, the other goes round the heel, and then across the foot, where it is tied to the other. But those sandals are only worn in walking out of doors. On returning home, or entering the house of another to visit him, they are pulled off at the door. The tying and untying of sandals was, from remote ages, the business of slaves; and the servant, newly purchased, had to commence his duties by untying his master's sandals, and carrying them after him for a certain distance. 12. *Whose fan.* A winnowing shovel, by which the corn being thrown upwards against the wind, the chaff was separated from it thereby.

Ch. IV.—13. *Capernaum.* As Capernaum is not once mentioned in the Old Testament, it is probable that it is one of the towns built by the Jews at their return from the Babylonish captivity, "upon the sea coast," that is, upon the coast of the Sea of Galilee, "in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim," and consequently towards the upper part of this sea coast. It probably took its name from an adjoining spring of great repute, which, as Josephus informs us, bore the name of Capernaum. It is now so decayed as to consist of only a very few fishermen's cottages. 15. *Galilee of the Gentiles.* The northern part of Galilee was so called from being inhabited by many Gentiles. 18. *Sea of Galilee.* So called from the provinces of Galilee, called also "the sea of Tiberias" from a town of that name on its western shore; and "the lake of Gennesareth," from the tract of Galilee called Gennesareth, which bounded it all along on the western side. This fresh-water sea, or lake, is called "the sea of Chinnereth" in the Old Testament. (See Num. xxxiv. 11; Josh. xiii. 27.) 23. *Teaching in their synagogues.* Places of assembly for public worship, which probably did not exist before the Babylonish captivity. The Jews erected synagogues not only in towns and villages, but also in the country where there was a sufficient congregation, especially near rivers, for the purposes of purification. Service was daily performed in them, consisting of prayers, reading the Scriptures, and preaching or expounding. A council of persons well versed in the law, superintended all matters belonging to the synagogues and its service. Prophets and leaders of new sects were also allowed to offer their opinions. (See note and cut end of Nehemiah.) 24. *They brought unto him all sick people—and he healed them.* The news that a foreign hakeem or doctor was passing through the country very soon was spread abroad; and at every halt our camp was thronged with the sick, not only of the village near to which we were encamped, but of all the surrounding villages. Many came several days' journey to consult our doctor, and were brought to him in spite of every difficulty and inconvenience; some came on asses, bolstered up with cushions and supported by their relations; others on camels, whose motion must be torture to any one in sickness. It may be conceived what a misfortune sickness must be in a country where there is no medical relief, nor even a wheeled conveyance to seek relief when it is at hand.—Morier.

Ch. V.—1. *And when he was set.* It was customary among the Jews for the teacher to sit, and for his pupils to stand or sit in a semicircle around him. 13. *Ye are the salt of the earth.* Salt in the land of Judea was so necessary a thing, that without it meat could not be preserved sweet, even for a short time; hence the frequent allusion made to salt and its uses. *If the salt have lost his savour.* Maundrell says, 'that in the valley of salt near Yebul, he broke a piece that had been exposed to the sun, rain, and air, though it had the sparkling of salt, yet it had perfectly lost its savour; but the inner part which had not been exposed still retained its savour. 25. *Agree quickly.* Among the Romans, a person aggrieved could compel the other party to go with him before the prætor, unless he agreed by the way to adjust the matter. 41. *Compel thee to go a mile.* This sort of compulsion was used by the officers of the public magistrates, especially by such as were couriers, who, for expedition, seized and made use of the horses, carriages, and sometimes the persons of those with whom they met.

Ch. VII.—27. *And the rain descended.* The rains, and floods, and winds of the eastern monsoon give a striking illustration of the above passage. When

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people in those regions speak of the strength of a house, it is not by saying it will last so many years, but 'It will outstand the rains; it will not be injured by the floods.' Houses built of the best materials and having deep foundations, in a few years often yield to the rains of a monsoon. At first, a small crack appears in some angle which gradually becomes larger, till the whole building tumbles to the ground. And who can wonder at this, when he considers the state of the earth? For several months there is not a drop of rain, and the burning sun has loosened the ground; when at once the torrents descend, the chapped earth suddenly swells, and the foundations are moved by the change. The house founded upon a rock can alone stand the rains and floods of a wet monsoon.—Roberts. Ward mentions the destruction of the fishermen's huts by the heavy rains, as an apt illustration of this parable. 'Built in a dry season, in one night the overwhelming torrents pour down from the mountains, when north-west winds prevail, sweeps away every refuge—not a fragment remains.'

Ch. VIII.—24. *Insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves.* A strong current is caused in the Lake of Gennesareth, by the river Jordan passing through the midst of it: and when this is opposed by contrary winds, which blow here with the force of a hurricane from the south-east, sweeping from the mountains into the lake, a boisterous sea is instantly raised, which the small vessels of the country are ill-qualified to resist.—Dr. E. D. Clarke. 28. *Coming out of the tombs.* Along the borders of the Lake of Gennesareth may still be seen the remains of those ancient tombs, hewn by the earliest inhabitants of Galilee, in the rocks which face the water. Their existence at the present day, although not noticed by travellers in general, offers strong internal evidence of the accuracy of the Evangelist, who has recorded the transaction of the demoniacs as dwelling among the tombs.—Dr. E. D. Clarke. 'As we were returning (from the tombs of the kings,) we found a poor lunatic woman, whose dwelling was among the tombs, sitting on some fragments of stone. We were informed that there were two others, in like manner inhabiting the recesses of death and decay; but we saw only this one. She was a melancholy object. It is a common thing, as in our Lord's time, for helpless lunatics thus to flee from the ordinary habitations of men, and to dwell in a restless secluded manner among the tombs.'—Fisk.

Ch. IX.—9. *Sitting at the receipt of custom.* The publicans had houses or booths built for them at the foot of bridges, at the mouth of rivers, and by the seashore, where they took toll of passengers that went to and fro. Hence we read of the tickets or seals of the publicans, which when a man had paid toll on one side of a river, were given him by the publican to show to him that sat on the other side, that it might appear he had paid. 17. *Old bottles.* Made of goat skins, which, when much worn, were apt to break with new wine. 23. *Minstrels.* These were pipers who commenced the lament, and were followed by the professional mourning women. The introduction of mourning instruments, and performers, was borrowed from the heathen.

Ch. XII.—1. *And began to pluck the ears of corn.* The whole tract was almost covered with fine fields of wheat, belonging to persons in Hebron who rent the land of the government. Watchmen were stationed in various parts to prevent cattle and flocks from trespassing on the grain. The wheat was now ripening, and we had here a beautiful illustration of scripture. Our Arabs "were an hungered," and going into the fields, they plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing them in their hands. On being questioned, they said this was an old custom, and no one would speak against it, they were supposed to be hungry and it was allowed as a charity. We saw this afterwards in repeated instances.—Dr. Robinson.

Ch. XIII.—25. *But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat.* Strange as it may appear, this is still literally done in the East. See that lurking villain, watching for the time when his neighbour shall plough his field; he carefully marks the period when the work has been finished, and goes in the night following, and casts in what the natives call the pandimellu, i. e. pig paddy; this being of rapid growth, springs up before the good seed, and scatters itself before the other can be reaped; so that the poor owner will be for years before he can get rid of this troublesome weed. 31. *Mustard seed.* The mustard seed which with us produces only a small plant, grows in the East to such a height, and to so considerable a size, that it affords a shade.—Beaucours. 32. *The birds lodge in the branches.* Pinkerton, who travelled in Chili, says, 'I have travelled many leagues through groves of mustard seed, which were taller than horse and man; and the birds build their nests in them.'



Mustard Seed.

44. *Treasure hid in a field.* No practice was more common than that of hiding treasures in a field or garden, because the people had not any place of safety in which to deposit their riches, and because their rapacious rulers were sure to find some pretext for accusation against them, in order to get their money. Hence men of great property affected poverty, and walked about in mean apparel, in order to deceive their neighbours, and hence came the practice of hiding their treasures in the earth. 52. *Things new and old.* As the Orientals never change their fashions, they are remarkable for hoarding large stocks of raiment, as well as provisions.

Ch. XIV.—1. *Tetrarch.* Herod the tetrarch was the son of Herod the Great, but was heir to a fourth part of his father's dominions, hence he derived his name of office. He, however, reigned over Galilee as a king. 8. *A charger.* This means a large dish. This is comformable to what frequently occurs at this day under some Eastern governments, as those of Turkey and Persia, where, when a warrant is issued for the execution of any person, an officer, called a capidgee, immediately takes it to him, puts him to death, and cutting off his head carries it to his master, in proof of his having executed his commission.—Chardin. 11. *His head was brought in a charger.* Some time since the grand Signor having received the heads of some of his officers who had been decapitated by his orders, commanded that they should be exposed in large silver dishes, or *chargers*, at the entrance of his Porte.

Ch. XV.—27. *The dogs eat of the crumbs.* Homer represents persons of the highest rank, as allowing their faithful dogs to wait round their festive board and gather up the fragments of their meals.

Ch. XVI.—13. *Cesarea Philippi.* This town was situated to the north of the sea of Galilee, at the distance of thirty miles from it, near the spring-head of Jordan. Its former name was Paneas, but this was changed into Cesarea, by Philip the tetrarch who repaired and beautified it, in honour of Tiberius Cesar; and in order to distinguish it from another Cesarea, mentioned frequently in the Acts, lying on the Mediterranean Sea, it was called "Cesarea Philippi."

Ch. XVIII.—6. *Better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck.* It was a favourite punishment in ancient times, to tie a large stone round the neck of a criminal, and then to cast him into the sea or deep waters. The millstones in the East are much more than twenty inches in diameter, and three inches thick, so that there would not be that difficulty which some have supposed in thus despatching criminals. 23. *His lord commanded him to be sold.* This was the custom, not only among the Jews, but also among the heathen in Asia, at Athens, and at Rome. 26. *The servant—fell down, and worshipped him.* The

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form of lowly submission from the servant to his master, which is here described, is still practised in the East among the Arabs, where inferiors, in paying respectful deference to their superiors, fall down before them, and kiss their feet, their knees, or their garments.—Dr. Shaw. 34. *Tormentors.* These persons examined prisoners by torture, which was often assigned to jailors. It was also common to load such prisoners with chains of iron and heavy yokes of wood, and to visit them with frequent scourging to aggravate their punishment, and the cruel jailors often even exceeded the rigour of the law.

Ch. XX.—22. *The cup.* In ancient times the master of a family used to distribute to his children and servants a certain separate allowance of meat and drink for each by himself, differing in quantity and quality according to their desert. The same custom was also observed in entertaining guests. (Gen. xliii. 34.) In allusion to this custom, the word "cup" is used for the dispensations of Providence. Almighty God, as one common master and father, appointing to every one his respective share of good and evil.

Ch. XXII.—9. *Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.* It is as common in the East, for a rich man to give a feast to the poor, and the maimed, and the blind, as it is in England for a nobleman to entertain men of his own degree. Thus, does he wish to gain some temporal or spiritual blessing, he orders his head servant to prepare a feast for one or two hundred poor guests. Messengers are then dispatched into the streets and lanes to inform the indigent, that on such a day rice and curry will be given to all who are there at the appointed time. 11. *A wedding garment.* The following extract will show the importance of having a suitable garment for a marriage feast, and the offence taken against those who refuse it when presented as a gift. 'The next day, Dec. 2, the king sent to invite the ambassadors to dine with him once more. The meherrander told us that it was the custom that they should wear over their own clothes the best of those garments which the king had sent them. The ambassadors at first made some scruple of that compliance; but when they were told that it was a custom observed by all nations, and that no doubt the king would take it very ill at their hands if they presented themselves before him without the marks of his liberality, they at last resolved to do it, and after their example, all the rest of the retinue.'—Ambassador's Travels, p. 126.

Ch. XXIII.—5. *Phylacteries.* These were four sections of the law, written on parchments, folded up in the skin of a clean beast, and tied to the head and hands. These sections were, Exod. xiii. 1—10; 11—16; Deut. vi. 4—9; and xi. 13—21. 23. *Cummin.* A medicinal plant cultivated by the Jews. 24. *Strain at a gnat*—or strain out a gnat. This insect is troublesome in hot countries, and when it fell into liquor it was most annoying, sometimes breeding in it. Hence both Gentiles and Jews strained their wine. The former from cleanliness, the latter from cleanliness mixed with religious scruples; the 'gnat' being unclean.—So Bloomfield. 27. *Like unto white sepulchres.* Shaw observes: 'If we except a few persons who are buried within the precincts of some sanctuary, the rest are carried out at a small distance from their cities and villages, where a great extent of ground is allotted for that purpose. Each family has its square portion, which is walled in like a garden, where the bones of their ancestors have remained undisturbed for many generations; for in these inclosures the graves are all distinct and separate, having each of them a stone placed upright, both at the head and feet, inscribed with the name of the person who lieth there interred, whilst the intermediate space is either planted with flowers, bordered round with stone, or paved over with tiles. The graves of the principal citizens are further distinguished by some square chambers or cupolas that are built over them. (Mark. v. 3.) Now, as all these different sorts of tombs and sepulchres, with the very walls likewise of the enclosures, are constantly kept clean, whitewashed, and beautified, they continue to this day to be an excellent comment upon this expression of our Saviour's.

Ch. XXIV.—2. *One stone upon another.* Josephus states that some of the stones of the Temple were forty-five cubits long, five high, and six broad: yet these stones were not only broken and dislodged, but the very ground on which they were erected was dug up, and afterwards ploughed by one Turnus Rufus. 17. *Let him which is on the housetop not come down.* The houses in Judea are all flat-roofed and communicate with each other; so that a person might proceed to the city walls and escape into the country without coming down into the street.—Williams's Travels. (See note and cut on Prov. xxi. 9.) 28. *Wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.* The sight and scent of birds of prey in the East are keener than those of the same species in England. Any garbage thrown from the kitchen, or in the wilderness, will soon attract these winged scavengers. Should there be a dead elephant or any other beast in the jungle, vast numbers of ravenous birds and animals hasten to the spot. The eagles, kites, and crows, begin to tear at the carcass and attack each other, and the jackals snap at their feathered rivals; thus, though there is enough for all, each try to hinder the other from eating. There can be no doubt that birds of prey are very useful in the East, as they carry off the putrid matter which would otherwise infect the air. 41. *Two women shall be grinding at the mill.* (See note and cut end of Deut.) 51. *Shall cut him asunder.* There are many instances in ancient writers of this method of executing criminals, and it is still practised by some nations, particularly by the western Moors in Barbary, as we are assured by Dr. Shaw. Calmet says, this punishment was not unknown among the Hebrews. It came originally from the Persians or the Chaldeans. It is still in use among the Switzers, and they practised it not many years ago upon one of their surgeons, guilty of a great crime, in the plain of Grenelles, near Paris. They put him into a kind of coffin, and sawed him at length, as a piece of wood is sawn.

Ch. XXV.—6. *And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh, &c.* An Eastern wedding is always celebrated in the night. When the bridegroom goes forth to the house of the bride, or when he returns to his own habitation or to that of his father, he is always accompanied by numerous friends and dependants, who carry lamps and torches. When he approaches either house the inmates rush out to meet him, and greet him with their best wishes and congratulations. 10. *And the door was shut.* And, in the Vedas of the Hindoos, mention a marriage procession which he witnessed: the bridegroom came from a distance; his arrival was announced almost in the words of Scripture, "Behold the bridegroom cometh." The persons employed lighted their lamps, some lamps had failed and could not join the procession to the bride's house; when the bridegroom himself had entered and joined the company, there was no further admission, the door was shut and none could now obtain an entrance.

Ch. XXVI.—20. *He sat down,* or lay down, as the word signifies; for the posture of the Jews, at the Passover table especially, was not properly sitting but reclining, or lying along on couches on their left side. 23. *He that dippeth his hand with me in the dish.* To this day the people of the East, in general, make use neither of knives, forks, nor often of spoons; but only of their fingers and hands, even in eating pottage, or what we call spoon-meat; when their food is of the latter kind they break their bread or cakes into little bits, and dip their hands and their morsels together therein.—Shaw. 36. *Gethsemane.* The garden of Gethsemane is a deeply interesting spot, situated between the foot of the mount of Olives and the brook Kedron. This garden is surrounded by a coarse low wall of a few feet in height, and about the third part of an acre in extent. It is planted with olive, almond, and figtrees. Eight of the olive-trees are so large that they are said to have been in existence since the time of Jesus Christ. If Titus cut down the ancient trees, it is supposed that these may have arisen from their roots, because the olive is very long lived, and possesses the peculiar property of shooting up again, how frequently soever it may be cut down.—Finden's Illustrations by Horne. 67. *Then did they spit in his face.* This instance of contempt and reproach offered to Christ was at the same time an expression of malice, and is compliance with custom. The practice has descended to later generations, for in the year 1744, when a rebel prisoner was brought before Nadir Shah's general, 'the soldiers were ordered to spit in his face, an indignity of great antiquity in the East.'—Hanway.

Ch. XXVII.—34. *Vinegar to drink mingled with gall.* The vinegar so called, was probably a sour wine. This mixture, or something like it, is said to have been given to criminals to deaden the sense of pain, which might be the reason why our Lord refused to drink it. 48. *With vinegar*—or sour wine, the drink of the common people. The method of giving it on a sponge to quench the thirst, appears to be still practised in Egypt. It is said that the thirst occasioned by crucifixion is the greatest of all torments. 61. *Mary—sitting over against the sepulchre.* Among the Greeks as well as the Jews, women were accustomed to sit at the graves of their deceased friends.

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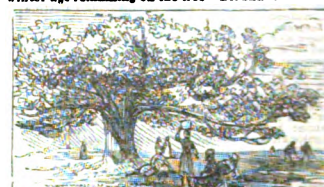
Ch. I.—13. *And was with the wild beasts.* Along the banks of the Jordan and in the desert of Judah, were close thickets which afforded ample shelter for lions and other wild beasts. Our Saviour's exposure to these, together with the diabolical influence, must have rendered the scene horrid.

Ch. II.—4. *They uncovered the roof.* There have been various conjectures and explanations of this passage. Dr. Shaw suggests the following:—'The houses being low and flat-roofed, consisting generally of a ground floor only, or one upper story, are built round a paved court, into which the entrance from the street is through a gateway; the stairs which lead to the roof are usually in this gateway. It is customary to fix cords from the parapet walls (Deut. xxii. 8) of the flat roofs across this court, and upon them to expand a wall or covering as a shelter from the heat. Perhaps it was in this area that our Saviour taught; the paralytic was brought to the roof by making a way through the crowd to the stairs in the gateway, or by the terraces of the adjoining houses; they then rolled back the wall or covering, and let the sick man down over the parapet of the roof into the area or court of the house where Jesus was.' (See cut Pro. xxi. 9.)

Ch. V.—1. *Country of the Gadarenes.* Seetzen thinks that there is reason to suppose that the modern town of M'kess is the ancient Gadara. This town is situated on the southern bank of a river called the Shariat Manadra, which falls into the river Jordan below the lake of Tiberias. It was formerly a large and opulent town, proofs of which are still visible in remnants of marble columns, and of large buildings, in great numbers of sarcophagi, ornamented with bas-reliefs, with carved work, and garlands, which are still tolerably perfect. Many beautiful, vast, and very remarkable caverns are seen hereabouts, which serve as places of retreat for five or six families of Arabs. The country about M'kess bears the name of Al-jedur, which is probably derived from Jadar, or Gadara.

Ch. IX.—41. *Shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name.* Harmer observes that in our temperate climate we scarcely understand the full force of this expression of our Saviour; but in the Eastern climates, a cup of cold water is often a very essential relief and refreshment. In some parts of the East, considerable pains and expense have been bestowed on contrivances to supply travellers with water, and these are always considered as works of peculiar benevolence. It is remarkable, that it is mentioned of the Hindoos in some parts of India, that they sometimes go a considerable distance to fetch water and bring it to the road side, where travellers are likely to pass, and offer it to them 'in honour of the gods. It is possible that this charitable work may have been practised by the more pious and humane Jews; which would give peculiar meaning to the expression, that, if they offered it *in his name* they should not lose their reward.

Ch. XI.—13. *A figtree—having leaves.* The fig-tree in climates favourable to it, produces generally fruit thrice a year. In Judea, the early fig is ripe about June, the second regular crop is seldom ripe before August: besides this there appears also sometimes a third crop, or the winter fig, which hangs to ripen on the tree after the leaves are shed: and if the winter proves mild is gathered in the spring. The time at which this transaction took place was in the month Nisan, three days before the Passover, answering to our March or April. As the fruit of this tree precedes the leaves, it appears that our Saviour on seeing this in full vigour and covered with leaves, might justly look for fruit; either a few ripe figs of the early crop, some weeks before the proper season, or else some winter figs remaining on the tree.—Dr. Shaw.



Ch. XIV.—3. *She brake the box.* It is probably meant, that she brake the cement with which the box was closed up. It is still usual in the East to send wines, rose-water, &c., to great distances in bottles stopped with cotton and closed with wax. 51. *A linen cloth cast about his naked body.* Bp. Pococke, describing the dresses of the people in Egypt, relates that the Arabs in some parts wore nothing but a large blanket or sheet, wrapped round them, especially young persons of the poorer sort. And other travellers remark the same of parts of Palestine. The young man here mentioned is described as being clothed in this manner.

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Ch. II.—7. *The inn.* The Eastern inns, commonly called caravansaries, are very large buildings with domes, and a fountain in the centre, for the use of caravans, the benefits of which are allowed to all travellers, but afford only a lodging-place for themselves and cattle, without either food or bedding; but it is probable that these caravanseries are not of so high antiquity as the birth of Christ. The inn or 'house allotted to strangers,' as belonging to a small country town, was probably of an humble character, and affording room for but few families, was soon filled by the first comers; and others, as Joseph and Mary, were obliged to take shelter in the out-buildings, intended for the cattle of travellers. Tradition says that this stable was a natural cave.—T. Williams. 8. *Keeping watch over their flock by night.* Almost all the nomade tribes of the East confine their flocks during the night in pens.

Ch. IV.—29. *Led him unto the brow of the hill.* Hasselquist says, 'We went out to see the hill from which the inhabitants of Nazareth were for throwing down Christ when he preached to them. This is a high, stony mountain, situated some gun-shots from Nazareth, consisting of the limestone common here, and full of fine plants. On its top, towards the south, is a steep rock, which is said to be the spot for which the hill is famous; it is terrible to behold, and proper enough to take away the life of a person thrown from it.' Some doubts have, however, been entertained whether, from its distance, the Jews would have gone so far to accomplish an object which might have been done nearer, as there are several precipices near the village suitable for such a purpose.

Ch. V.—5. *We have toiled all the night and have taken nothing.* In general the fishermen of the East prefer the night to any other time for fishing. Before the sun has gone down they push off their canoes, each carrying a lighted torch, and in the course of a few hours may be seen out at sea or on the rivers, like an illuminated city. They swing the lights about over the sides of the boat, which the fish no sooner see than they come to the place, and then the men cast in the hook or the spear, as circumstances may require.

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Ch. VII.—38. *Kissed his feet.* This was often practised as a mark of affection and reverence. Sir R. K. Porter says in his Travels in Persia, 'During my travels I was in the custom of having a lancet always about me, in case of accidents, and when I took this out of my pocket-book, put it into his hands, and told him it was for himself, he looked at me, and at it, with his mouth open, as if he hardly comprehended the possibility of my parting with such a jewel; but when I repeated the words, it is yours, he threw himself on the ground, kissed my knees and my feet, and wept with a joy that stifled any expression of thanks.'

Ch. X.—4. *Salute no man by the way.* This direction evidently implies haste, not that they were to renounce the courtesies of civil life; but the Eastern salutations were formal, and often accompanied with impertinent enquiries, which, leading to what we call gossipping, occasioned great hindrances. Niebuhr, Hornem, and other travellers, particularly complain of this among the Arabs. 5. *Peace be to this house.* When a Persian enters an assembly, having left his shoes without, he makes the usual salutation—'Peace be unto you!' which is addressed to the whole assembly, as it were, saluting the house. 30. *And fell among thieves.* From the testimony of Josephus it appears, that not only was Judea at that time miserably infested with robbers, but that this road in particular was deplorably harassed by this banditti, as it lay through wild and dreary solitudes. Buckingham says, 'The whole of this road from Jerusalem to Jericho is held to be the most dangerous about Palestine; and, indeed, in this portion of it, the very aspect of the scenery is sufficient on the one hand to tempt to robbery and murder, and on the other to occasion a dread of it in those who pass that way. It was partly to prevent any accident happening to us at this early stage of our journey, and partly, perhaps, to calm our fears on that score, that a messenger had been despatched by our guides to an encampment of their tribe near, desiring them to send an escort to meet us at this place. We were met accordingly by a band of about twenty persons on foot, all armed with matchlocks, and presenting the most ferocious and robber-like appearance that could be imagined. The effect of this was to be joined by ten others while in the act forth from hill to hill, and which were re-echoed through all the valleys; while the bold projecting crags of rock, and the dark shadows in which every thing was buried below, the towering height of the cliffs above, and the forbidding desolation which every where reigned around, presented a picture that was quite in harmony through all its parts. It made us feel most forcibly the propriety of its being chosen as the scene of the doubtful tale of compassion which we had before so often admired for its doctrine, independently of its local beauty. In these gloomy solitudes, pillage, wounds, and death would be accompanied with double terror from the frightful aspect of every thing around.' Sir F. Henniker was wounded, stripped, and left naked on this spot by the Arabs in 1820, and several other like cases are on record. 34. *Pouring in oil and wine.* Both these were in common use as medicaments among the ancient surgeons. The oil was taken for the purpose of anointing the limbs, since, in the hot countries of the East, it is found particularly comfortable and refreshing.

Ch. XI.—5. *Go unto him at midnight.* The Eastern journeys are often performed at midnight. *Lend me three loaves.* It was usual with the Jews to borrow bread one of another; and certain rules are laid down when, and upon what condition this is to be done. 7. *My children are with me in bed.* It is usual for a whole family to sleep in the same room, especially those in lower life, laying their mattresses on the ground.—Sir J. Chardin. 12. *Offer him a scorpion?* Bochart says, 'The body of a scorpion is like an egg, especially if it be a white scorpion; and such are reckoned to be the first species of them, by Nicander, Ælian, Avicenna, and others: nor does a scorpion differ much in size from an egg in Judea, if it be true that, as is asserted by the monks in Mesopotamia, there are large scorpions about Jerusalem and throughout all Syria.' 37. *To dine* The Jews made but two meals in the day. The reference here is to the first eating, which may be called their breakfast or dinner, because it was both, and was but a slight meal. 'The hour for this, on the sabbath,' says Josephus, 'was soon, that is, the sixth hour.' Their chief meal was their supper, after the heat of the day was over; and the same was the principal meal among the Greeks and Romans.

Ch. XIV.—8. *Sit not down in the highest room:* or place. Morier informs us, that when a Persian enters a mejlis, or assembly, after having left his shoes without, he makes the usual salutation of Selemaleikum, 'Peace be unto you,' which is addressed to the whole assembly, as it were saluting the house (Matt. x. 12), and then, measuring with his eye the degree of rank to which he holds himself entitled, he straightway weighs himself into the line of guests, without offering any apology for the general disturbance which he produces. It may be conceived, that among a vain people, the disputes that arise in matters of precedence are numerous; and it was easy to observe, by the countenances of those present, when any one had taken a higher seat than that to which he was entitled. Mollahs, the Persian scribes, are remarkable for their arrogance in this respect, and will bring to mind the caution that our Saviour gave to the Jews against their scribes, whom, among other things, he characterizes as loving the uppermost places at feasts (Mark xii. 39). The master of the entertainment has, however, the privilege of placing any one as high in the ranks of mejlis as he may choose; and we saw an instance of it on this occasion; for when the assembly was nearly full, the governor of Kashan, a man of humble mien, although of considerable rank, came in and had seated himself at the lowest place, when the Ameeud-Dowlah, after having testified his particular attentions to him by numerous expressions of welcome, pointed with his hand to an upper seat in the assembly, to which he desired him to move, and which he accordingly did.' 13. *Call the poor.* Dr. Pococke mentions, that in the East they sometimes admit the poor to their tables. In his account of an entertainment made by an Egyptian magistrate, each, when he had done eating, retired, and others in succession came, till at last the poor came, and 'ate up all.' The Arabs also, when they kill a sheep, dress the whole, and call in their neighbours and the poor, till all is consumed, for they never set by meat that has been brought to table. Thus the sequel of the parable is quite in harmony with Oriental manners. 19. *I go to prove them.* It was not unusual in ancient times to sell horses and oxen on the condition of allowing a certain time for trying them.—Wetstein. Much ceremony is still used in some parts of the East when cattle are purchased; friends and neighbours are called to give their opinions, and to witness their qualifications in ploughing, &c.

Ch. XVII.—6. *Be thou plucked up by the root.* Dr. Shaw says of the sycamine or sycamore tree, that it is 'one of the common timber trees of the Holy Land; and that from having a large and more extensive root than other trees, it is alluded to as the most difficult to be rooted up.' The sycamore and sycamine tree have been confounded by many writers, both ancient and modern, although, by some, the former is considered a species of fig-tree, and the latter, which is probably referred to here, the mulberry-tree. (See note and cut, to Amos, end of Mal.)



Ch. XXIII.—51. *Arimathea.* This was anciently called Ramah, and was distinguished as the birth-place of the prophet Samuel. It is a pleasant town, in a fertile plain, about thirty-five miles distant from the metropolis of Palestine. It was once in great splendour, and abounded in all the luxuries of the East. Its modern population is five or six thousand.—Dr. Clarke's Travels. (See note and cut end of 1 Sam.)

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Ch. II.—4. *Waterpots of stone—containing two or three firkins apiece.* While Mr. Rae Wilson was sitting upon the shattered wall which enclosed 'the well of Cana, six females, having their faces veiled, came down to the well, each carrying on her head a pot for the purpose of being filled with water.' These vessels are formed of clay, hardened by the heat of the sun, and are of a globular shape and large at the mouth, not unlike the bottles used in our country for holding vitriol, but not so large. Many of them have handles attached to the sides: and it was a wonderful coincidence with Scripture, that the vessels appeared to contain much about the same quantity as those which the evangelist informs us, were employed on occasion of the celebration of the marriage which was honoured by the Saviour's presence; that is three firkins, or about twelve gallons each.

Ch. IV.—6. *Jacob's well.* 'We ascended the height for the purpose of exploring the remains, and in our way met many of the Samaritan women coming down with their water jars gracefully borne upon their heads, to a fountain which flows below. Jacob's well still retains its name, not from Popish tradition, but it has been called *Bir* Yacoob, the Well of Jacob, by the Arabs, time out of mind. St. John speaks of it as being deep. There are other wells, but not in the direct road for our Lord to take, and the well in question seems to be the only one answering to the description.—deep. Mr. Calhoun, a recent European traveller, ascertained its depth at seventy-five feet, with about twelve feet of water; while the other wells are so shallow that the water may be easily reached with the hand. On account of its great depth, and the consequent coolness of its water at all seasons, it has no doubt been highly esteemed from the beginning; and this may be alleged a reason why the woman of Samaria should come so far from Sychar to draw water, when other wells were at her door. The vicinity of Sychar abounded with rich streams.'—Fisk. As for the quantity of water in the well, travellers give various statements which differ exceedingly, but this is to be accounted for from seeing it in different states at various times of the year. When Robinson visited it, he said, 'The well was now dry and deserted; it was said usually to contain living water, and not merely to be filled by the rains. We had no line with us at the moment to measure the depth; but by dropping in stones we could perceive that it was deep.' Buckingham also found 'the well dry.' Maundrell's description is, 'It is dug in a firm rock, and contains about three yards in diameter, and thirty-five in depth; for we found full of water.' Mr. Hibbard and Mr. Holmes, found the depth to be one hundred and five feet. Dr. Wilson, in his 'Lands of the Bible,' gives a statement shewing with what accuracy he had an opportunity of measuring the well, and found it exactly to correspond with the statements of Mr. Calhoun, the American missionary, seventy-five feet: he also adds, its diameter is about nine feet. It is entirely hewn out of the solid rock, and is a work of great labour. It bears marks about it of the greatest antiquity. The well is in decay. The description given of it by the woman of Samaria to our Lord. It still, as now noticed, has the same character, although, to a considerable extent, it is perhaps filled with the stones which are thrown into it to sound it by travellers and pilgrims. The Rev. A. Bonar, of the Scottish Mission of Inquiry, in the act of descending to get a sight of the well, lost his bible from his breast-pocket, which was soon heard plunging in the water far below. The guide made very significant signs that it could not be recovered, 'for the well is deep.' Three years after this Dr. Wilson visited the well, and offered a reward to a Jew to venture to be suspended by a rope, so as to visit the bottom and see if the volume was recoverable. The Jew, after fears and prayers, accomplished his task, but the cover only remained, the leaves had become a pulp. Jacob gained a sovereign by his enterprise, with which he was much pleased. 9. *The Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.* Samaria was the metropolis of Israel. When the Assyrians under Shalmaneser carried away the ten tribes into captivity, colonies of the heathen were sent to supply the deficiencies of inhabitants, and heathen from all parts mixing with the poorer inhabitants of Israel, formed a mixed worship of idols and the true God. On the return of the Jews from captivity, the Samaritans wished to unite with them and claimed their temple privileges. The Jews refused, hence a hatred arose between them which was never obliterated. Dr. Robinson informs us, that the Samaritans are now reduced to a very small community, there being only thirty men who pay taxes, and few, if any, who are exempt, so that their whole number cannot be reckoned at over one hundred and fifty souls. One only is in affluent and the rest are in middling circumstances. Their physiognomy is not Jewish. They keep the Saturday as their Sabbath With great strictness, allowing no labour nor trading, not even cooking nor lighting a fire, but resting from their employments the whole day. On Friday evening they pray in their houses, and on Saturday have public prayers in their synagogue at morning, noon, and evening. They meet also in the synagogue on the great festivals, and on the new moons, but not every day. The law is read in public not every Sabbath-day, but only upon the same festivals. Four times a year they go up to Mount Gerizim in solemn procession to worship; and then they begin reading the law as they set off, and finish it above. These seasons are, the Feast of the Passover, when they pitch their tents upon the mountain all night, and sacrifice seven lambs at sunset; the Day of Pentecost; the Feast of Tabernacles, when they sojourn here in booths built of branches of the arbutes; and lastly, the great Day of Atonement in autumn. They still maintain their hatred against the Jews; because them of departing from the law in not sacrificing the Passover, and in various other points, as well as corrupting the ancient text; and scrupulously avoid all connexion with them. If of old "the Jews had no dealings with the Samaritans," the latter at the present day reciprocate the feeling; and neither eat, nor drink, nor marry, nor associate with the Jews, best only trade with them.

Ch. VI.—1. *Sea of Tiberias*—or sea of Galilee. It receives its name from the contiguous town of Tiberias, which was one of the principal cities of Galilee, erected by the tetrarch, Herod Antipas, who gave it this appellation in honour of the emperor Tiberius. The lake is from twelve to fifteen miles in length, and from six to nine miles in breadth; it varies in depth, and in some places is sixty feet. The water is perfectly fresh and is used for culinary purposes. The waters of the northern part abound with delicious fish. This lake has been compared to Loch Lomond in Scotland. A strong current marks the passage of the Jordan through this lake; and when this is opposed by contrary winds, which blow here with the force of a hurricane from the south-east, a boisterous sea is immediately produced, which the utmost skill of sailors is unable to resist. Such a tempest is described in Matt. viii. 24—26.—Fluden's Illustrations by Horne.

Ch. XI.—1. *Bethany.* A mean village containing about twenty families, but is deeply interesting from having been the abode of those whom Jesus loved, and the place to which he often resorted to enjoy the sympathy and friendship of a pious family. Bethany is a lovely spot, though but a scene of ruin and poverty. It is inhabited by a few families of Mahometan Arabs, who gain a scanty subsistence from their flocks, and small cultivation round about. Though occupying an elevated site, it is overshadowed on the north and west by the mount of Olives; and, looking towards the south-east, presents a view of parts of the palsies of Jordan and the Dead Sea. (See cut end of Mark.)

Ch. XIX.—2. *A crown of thorns.* Probably of the nabk or nepka of the Arabians, which grows very common in the East and was well fit for their purpose, having many sharp spines well adapted to give pain. The branches are pliant, and the deep green leaves much resemble those of the ivy.—Greenfield. 3. *They smote him with their hands.* When the Arab would come to blows, they always strike with the palms of their hands, as the soldiers struck our Saviour, never with the fist.—Lord Lindsay. 23. *The coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.* The dress of the Arabs, in this part of the world, and indeed throughout all Syria, is ample and uniform; it consists of a blue shirt, descending below the knees, the legs and feet being exposed, or the latter sometimes covered with the ancient cothurnus, or buskin. A cloak is also worn of very coarse and heavy camel's hair cloth, almost universally decorated with broad black and white stripes, passing vertically down the back; this is of one square piece, with holes for the arms; it has a seam down the back; made without this seam, it is considered of greater value. Hence, then, we perhaps behold the form and materials of our Saviour's garment, for which the soldiers cast lots, being "without seam, woven from the top throughout." It was the most ancient dress of the inhabitants of this country.—Clarke's Travels. 29. *I thirst.* It is said that the thirst occasioned by crucifixion is the greatest of its torments, a circumstance common to persons who bleed much.

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Ch. I.—13. *They went up into an upper room.* 'At ten o'clock, according to agreement, we met in Mr. Young's house, where divine service was at that time conducted. It was an upper room, that being generally the situation of the largest and most airy apartments in the East, and also farthest removed from the noise and bustle of the street. Here was gathered together a little assembly of fourteen or fifteen souls, to worship God according to the Scriptures. How different from the time when in the same city "the number of the men that believed was about five thousand."'—First Sabbath in Jerusalem; Scottish Mission.

Ch. III.—2. *Called Beautiful.* This gate, which was added by Herod to the court of the Gentiles, was thirty cubits high and fifteen broad. It is said to have been of Corinthian brass, more costly in its workmanship and splendour than those which were covered with silver and gold.

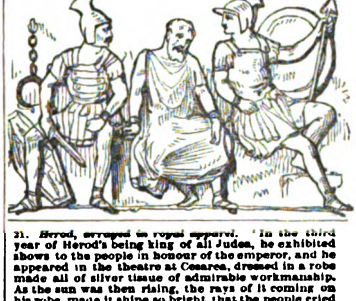
Ch. IV.—36. *Cyprus.* This is the largest island in the Mediterranean connected with Greece, except Candia, or Crete; it lies about thirty miles west of Syria, almost at an equal distance from Europe and Africa. It is about one hundred and ten miles in length, seventy-one in breadth, and is capable of containing a million of inhabitants. The island was most probably originally peopled by the Phœnicians. At present it contains about 60,000 inhabitants, 30,000 of whom are Greeks, and the rest are Turks. The island is said to derive its name from the cypress tree, which grows in it in great abundance.

Ch. IX.—36. *Joppa.* (See note and cut end of 2 Chron.) Dr. Wilson says in his 'Lands of the Bible,' 'Neither the houses nor the walls of the place are by any means so despicable as they are often represented to be.' A great profusion of fruit is sold in the bazaar, the produce of the neighbourhood. There is a harbour close to the town, but it is surrounded by rocks, and is quite inadequate to afford shelter to vessels of any considerable size. Carne says, that 'Jaffa is a place of commerce rather than of strength. The streets are steep, for the hill on which they stand rises abruptly from the sea.' He describes the town as gloomy, inclosed by a strong wall; but the environs as a pleasant contrast, shaded by the palm, the large fig-tree, and the cypress, beautified by the prickly pear, with its yellow flowers, by the pomegranate and the vine. Gardens are bordered by luxuriant hedges, and there is a freshness of verdure on every side. From the nature of the harbour, no ships anchor within a mile of the town. The present number of inhabitants amounts to four or five thousand. This most ancient sea-port is sufficiently renowned in Bible history. Here Jonah embarked for Tarshish; here Peter raised Tabitha; and here resided Simon the tanner, in whose house Peter lodged. Jaffa also bears a conspicuous part in modern history.

Ch. X.—1. *Italian band.* A Roman band or cohort was a company of soldiers commanded by a tribune consisting of about 1000 men. It might have been called the Italian cohort because most of the soldiers belonging to it were Italians. It was, perhaps, the life guards of the Roman governors, who generally resided in this celebrated city, and called 'Italian' or 'Roman' to distinguish the men from the Syrian troops.

Ch. XI.—19. *Phœnice.* A port of Crete. 26. *Antioch,* in Syria. 'This was formerly,' says Carne, 'the great mart of the East, when Syria occupied her fairs with purple and broidered work and fine linen, and Judah and Israel were her merchants; and her walls shook at the noise of the horsemen and the chariots which entered her gates.' The remains of those gates and walls are on the sides of the hill, and on the bank of the stream. About a century since, this wall on the hill, which was built by Seleucus, one of Alexander's successors, had not the least breach in it, nor a sign of any; and from this we may judge how beautiful all the walls must have been. It was at least sixty feet high, and was built along the heights, which, to the south, are very steep, and are here divided by a ravine. On these walls there were no battlements, but there was a walk on the top, on which the circuit of the city might be made with the greatest ease, along the steep precipices (where all is now in ruins) down to the plain, and along the river's side. But though built on a rock, and with the utmost art, they could not withstand the shocks of so many earthquakes that have happened. However, on the west side of the western hill, the wall has resisted both time and earthquake; it is exceedingly strong, and well built of stone, with beautiful square towers about seventy paces apart.—Syria, the Holy Land, Asia Minor, &c.

Ch. XII.—6. *Sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains.* It was the Roman custom to fasten the prisoner with a small and light chain to some soldier who was appointed to guard him; one end of which chain was fastened to the right hand of the prisoner, and the other end of it to the left hand of the soldier. Seneca, Pliny, and Lucian allude to the custom.



21. *Herod, arrayed in royal apparel.* 'In the third year of Herod's being king of all Judea, he exhibited shows to the people in honour of the emperor, and he appeared in the theatre at Cesarea, dressed in a robe made all of silver tissue of admirable workmanship. As the sun was then rising, the rays of it coming on his robe, made it shine so bright, that the people cried out, "Forgive us, if we have hitherto reverenced you only as a man, but from this time we shall acknowledge you to be something superior to what is mortal." The king did not reprove them, nor reject this blasphemous flattery, and before he went out of the theatre, he was seized with pains in his bowels, so as to cry out, "I, whom you called your god, am now going to die!" From thence he was carried to his palace immediately; in the space of five days he died of those pains which he first felt in the theatre, in the fifty-fourth year of his age, after he had reigned four years over Iturea and Abilene, and three more over all Judea.'—Josephus.

Ch. XIII.—4. *Seleucia.* A city founded by Seleucus on the river Orontes, situated fifteen miles N. W. of Antioch, and five miles from the place of egress of the Orontes into the Mediterranean.

Ch. XIV.—11. *Saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down.* The language of the common people of Lycaonia is not known, but that generally spoken was Greek. It appears from numberless passages in the heathen writers, that they suppose the visits of the gods often happened; and Elsner has shown that this notion particularly prevailed with respect to Jupiter and Mercury. Mr. Harrington observes, that this persuasion might gain the more easily on the minds of the Lycaonians on account of the well-known fable of Jupiter and Mercury, who were said to have descended from heaven in human shape (see Ovid), and to have been entertained by Lycaon, from whom the Lycaonians received their name. 13. *Brought oxen and garlands.* When the gods are taken out in procession in India, their necks are adorned with garlands; the priests also wear them at the same time.

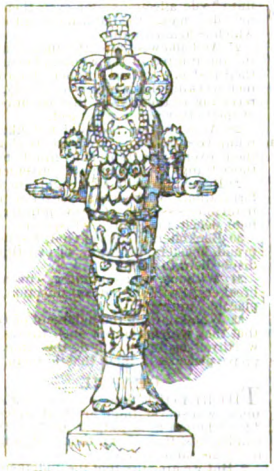
Ch. XVI.—14. *Purple—Thyatira.* Some remains which have escaped the destroying hand of time, make mention of the 'dyers;' and at the present time this place is celebrated for dyeing; and the cloths which are here dyed scarlet are deemed superior to any others furnished by Asia Minor, considerable quantity being sent every week to Smyrna, for the purpose of commerce. (See note and cut end of Rev.) 22. *The magistrates rent off their clothes.* The Roman magistrates used to order the lictors to rend open the clothes of the criminal. No care was taken of the garments, but they were suddenly and violently rent open. 24. *Stocks.* It is generally supposed that these were clippi or large pieces of wood

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used among the Romans, which not only loaded the legs of the prisoners, but sometimes distended them in a very painful manner. 37. *They have beaten us openly—being Romans.* The Valerian law forbad any Roman citizen to be bound. The Porcian law forbad any to be beaten with rods. By the same law the liberty of a Roman citizen was never put in the power of a lictor. It was a transgression of the law to bind a Roman citizen; and deemed wickedness to scourge him. The illegality of the proceeding of the magistrate against the apostle Paul was farther evident in their condemning and punishing him unheard. This was a gross violation of a common maxim in the Roman law.

Ch. XVII.—1. *Amphipolis* was a city of Macedonia, built on an island of the river Strymon. The Turks now call it Emboli. *Apollonia*, a town of Macedonia. 16. *Wholly given to idolatry.* Pausanias says of Athens, that there was no place where so many idols were to be seen; and it was said that it was more easy to find a god than a man. 19. *Areopagus.* A court held on Mars' Hill, situated on an insulated precipitous rock nearly in the centre of Athens. This court took cognizance of matters of religion, and hence Paul was accused before it of being "a setter forth of strange gods, because he preached Jesus and the resurrection."

Ch. XIX.—24. *Shrines for Diana.* These little silver models of the temple were bought by strangers for curiosity or devotion. Diana's effigy was worshipped with singular fervency by even the most remote and barbarous nations, and they dedicated temples to her; for she presided not only over hunting, but the compounding of poisons or drugs, and was therefore worshipped by those who cultivated the magic arts. She was also regarded as the author and distributer of health and sickness.



Effigy of Diana.—*Sir J. Soane's Museum.*

35. *Townclerk.* Wetstein has shown from classical illustrations that this officer was president of the senate, and united the offices of recorder, chancellor, and secretary of state. Among other duties was that of publicly reading aloud letters and state papers. *Which fell down from Jupiter.* The notion of certain statues having descended on earth from the clouds, to represent particular divinities, and to inspire devotion in their temples, was very common in the heathen world.

Ch. XX.—9. *Sat in a window.* The Greek plainly signifies an open window, which had a sort of wooden casement or little door, which was set open that the room might not be overheated with so much company and so many lamps. It is well known the ancients had not yet glass in their windows, though the manner of making it was invented long before. Windows in the East are now of the like construction, extending down to the floor, latticed on three sides, with a cushioned floor some feet higher than the room. 13. *Assos.* A maritime city of Asia Minor. 14. *Mitylene.* One of the principal cities of the island Lesbos. This island is about seven miles from the mainland of Troas, and is one of the largest in the Archipelago. Mitylene has a commodious harbour. 15. *Chios,* now called Scio. An island of the Archipelago. Its inhabitants were barbarously extirpated by the Turks in the year 1822. *Samos,* another island of the Archipelago, about five miles from the Asiatic continent. *Trogyllium,* a cape and town of the same name, a little below Ephesus.

Ch. XXI.—1. *Coos.* An island of the Archipelago, near the south-west part of the lesser Asia. *Patara.* A seaport of Syria formerly possessing a good harbour and many temples. The city still preserves its ancient name and many traces of its former grandeur. 2. *Phenicia.* Was reckoned a part of Syria. 38. *Four thousand men that were murderers.* Josephus says, that about this time the country of Judea, and particularly Jerusalem, was infested with a set of villains called Sicarii, who murdered people in the day time, and in the midst of the city, which they filled, they had concealed under their garments. 40. *Beckoned with the hand.* Addressing a crowd, an Oriental would not bawl out 'silence' to affront them, but lifts up his hand to its extreme height, and moves it backward and forward; and they say to each other *puzzha.*—Roberts.

Ch. XXII.—23. *Cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air.* So in Persia aggrieved peasants carry their complaints of their governors to some palace of several hundreds or thousands, to their prince's gate, where they set themselves to make the most horrid cries, tearing their garments and *throwing dust in the air,* at the same time demanding justice.—Burder's Illustrations. 28. *Free born.* Lardner shows that Tarsus having been a municipium, that is, a place where the natives were free by birth, and thinks it probable that Paul was born free by virtue of his father, or some of his ancestors, having been rewarded with the honours of Roman citizenship for some military service.

Ch. XXIII.—3. *Thou whited wall.* Here is an allusion to the beautiful outside of some walls which are full of rubbish and dirt within. To this day, in Eastern countries, they sometimes build their walls with clay or unburnt bricks, and then plaster them over. 24. *Beasts, that they may set Paul on.* The cavalry used often to take each a led horse, by which means they travelled long distances without stopping.—Blomfield. 31. *Antipatris.* A city of Samaria, about forty miles from Jerusalem on the road to Cesarea.

Ch. XXIV.—1. *With a certain orator named Tertullus.* The Jews being subjected to the Roman Empire, were obliged to transact their law affairs after the Roman manner; but being little conversant with the Roman laws and the forms of the Jurists, it was necessary for them in pleading a cause before a Roman magistrate to employ the assistance of some Roman lawyer and advocate, as this Tertullus, who was well versed in Greek and Latin.

Ch. XXVII.—5. *Myra, a city of Lycia.* Lycia a province in which commences the range of mountains called Taurus. Myra was the metropolis of the province. 6. *Alexandria.* The chief maritime city, and long the metropolis of lower Egypt. It is situated on the Mediterranean, twelve miles from one of the mouths of the Nile. It was founded by Alexander the Great, B.C. 332. For a long period it was the greatest of known cities, for Nineveh and Babylon was fallen, and Rome had not yet risen to pre-eminence. And when Rome took the lead, it bore the name of the queen of the East. 7. *Cnidus.* A city and promontory in the Chersoneses, or peninsula of Caria. 27. *Adria.* The Adriatic Sea.

Ch. XXVIII.—1. *Melita.* Supposed generally to mean Malta, an island now well known, but some consider it to refer to a small island in the Adriatic Sea, now called Meleda, where the inhabitants were barbarous, and the marshy soil favourable to reptiles and fevers. 12. *Syracuse.* The metropolis of the island of Sicily. In its most flourishing state, it comprised about 1,200,000 inhabitants, and extended upwards of twenty-two English miles. A traveller may spend three days in visiting its ruins. The modern city is about twenty-two miles in circumference, having narrow streets and a sickly population of about 15,000. *Rhegium.* The modern Reggio, a city of Calabria.

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the ROMANS.

Written about A. D. 57 or 58, and while the Apostle was at Corinth the second time. It chiefly treats on the doctrine of justification by faith.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, a servant of Jesus Christ,[a] called *to be* an apostle, [b] separated unto the gospel of God,

2 (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)

3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, [c] which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

4 And [d] declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according [f] to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

5 By whom we have received grace and apostleship, † for [g] obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

6 Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:

7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, [h] called *to be* saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that [i] your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.

9 For God is my witness, whom I serve § with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers;

10 Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey [k] by the will of God to come unto you.

11 For I long to see you, that [l] I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established;

12 That is, that I may be comforted together † with you by [t] the mutual faith both of you and me.

13 Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but [m] was let hitherto,) that I might have some [n] fruit † among you also, even as among other Gentiles.

14 I [o] am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.

15 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

16 For [p] I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for [q] it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; [s] to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

17 For [t] therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, [u] The just shall live by faith.

18 For [v] the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest † in them; for [x] God hath shewed *it* unto them.

20 For [y] the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; [z] so that they are without excuse:

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[a] Ac. 22. 21.
[b] Ac. 9. 15. Ga. 1. 15.
[c] Is. 7. 5.
[d] Mat. 16, 16. Jno. 1. 14. Ga. 4. 4.
[f] 2 Ti. 2. 8.
[g] De. 4. 16, &c.
[h] *determined*
[i] He. 9. 14.
[k] Ps. 81. 12. Ac. 7. 42. 2 Th. 2. 11, 12
[l] Le. 18. 22. 1 Pe. 4. 3.
† or, *to the obedience of faith.*
[i] ch. 16. 26.
[k] 1 Th. 1. 9. 1 Jno. 5. 20.
[l] Is. 44. 20. Am. 2. 4.
‡ or, *rather.*
[m] 1 Co. 1. 2. 1 Th. 4. 7.
[n] Ep. 5. 12. Jude 10.
[o] 1 Th. 1. 8.
§ or, *in.*
[k] Thes. 3. 3, 24. Phi. 3. 3.
|| or, *to acknowledge.*
[p] Ja. 4. 15.
[q] or, *a mind void of judgment.*
[r] Ep. 5. 4.
[s] ch. 15. 29.
† or, *in you.*
[t] 2 Pe. 1. 1.
[u] Ac. 16. 7.
‡ or, *unsociable.*
[v] Phi. 4. 17.
[x] 1 Co. 9. 16.
§ or, *consent with them.*
[y] Ps. 40. 9, 10.
[z] 1 Co. 1. 18.
[a] 2 Ga. 12. 5. 7. Jno. 8. 9.
[b] Ac. 3. 25. 13. 26, 46.
[c] ch. 3. 21.
[d] Hab. 2. 4. Jno. 3. 36. Ga. 3. 11. He. 10. 38.
[e] Col. 3. 6.
|| or, *to them.*
[f] Jno. 1. 9.
[g] Is. 30. 18. 2 Pe. 3. 9, 15.
[h] Ps. 19. 1, &c. [i] De. 32. 34. Ja. 5. 3.
[k] or, *that they may be*

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but [a] became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible [b] God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

24 Wherefore [c] God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, [h] to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

25 Who changed [k] the truth of God into [l] a lie, and worshipped and served the creature † more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

26 For this cause God gave them up unto [m] vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like || to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to [o] a reprobate mind, to do those things [r] which are not convenient;

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, ‡ without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but § have pleasure in them that do them.

CHAP. II.

THEREFORE thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: [a] for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.

2 But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.

3 And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?

4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; [f] not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?

5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart [t] treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;

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6 Who [a] will render to every man according to his deeds:
7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:
8 But unto them that are contentious, and [c] do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,
9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew [h] first, and also of the [o] Gentile;
10 But [i] glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the [o] Gentile:
11 For [l] there is no respect of persons with God.
12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;
13 (For [m] not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.
14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves:
15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, [†] their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts [‡] the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)
16 In [r] the day when God shall judge the secrets of men [s] by Jesus Christ [u] according to my gospel.
17 Behold, [x] thou art called a Jew, and restest in the law, and makest thy boast of God,
18 And [y] knowest *his* will, and [b] approvest [b] the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law;
19 And [b] art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness,
20 An instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law.
21 Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?
22 Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, [f] dost thou commit sacrilege?
23 Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?
24 For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it [i] is written.
25 For [n] circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision.
26 Therefore [r] if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision?
27 And shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, [u] judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law?
28 For [x] he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither *is that* circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
29 But he *is* a Jew, [c] which is one inwardly; and [b] circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and* not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God.

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[a] Pr. 24. 12. Re. 2. 23. 22. 12.
[b] ch. 9. 4.
[c] 2 Th. 1. 8.
[d] He. 4. 2
[e] Nu. 23. 19. 2 Ti. 2. 13.
[f] Job 40. 8.
[g] Jno. 3. 33.
[h] Am. 3. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 17.
[o] *Greek.*
[i] 1 Pe. 1. 7.
[k] Ps. 51. 4.
[l] Col. 3. 25. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[m] Ge. 18. 25. Mat. 7. 21. Ja. 1. 22,23.
[n] ch. 4. 1, 15.
[†] or, *the conscience and meaning with them.*
[‡] *charged,* ch. 1. 24, &c. 2. 1, &c.
[p] Ga. 3. 22.
[§] or, *between themselves.*
[r] Ps. 14. 1, 3. 53. 1.
[s] Ec. 12. 14. 1 Co. 4. 5. Re. 20. 12.
[t] Jno. 5. 22.
[u] ch. 16. 25.
[x] Mat. 3. 9. Jno. 8. 33.
[y] De. 4. 8. Ps. 147. 19.
[‖] or, *triest the things that differ.*
[b] Ps. 5. 9. Je. 5. 16.
[c] Ps. 1. 1. 10.
[d] Jno 9. 40, 41.
[b] Ps. 10. 7.
[e] Pr. 1. 16.
[d] Ps. 36. 1.
[e] Jno. 10. 34.
[f] Mal. 3. 8.
[o] or, *subject to the judgment of.*
[g] Ps. 143. 2. Ga. 2. 16. Tit. 3. 5.
[h] ch. 7. 7.
[i] Phi. 3. 9. He. 11. 4, &c.
[k] Ac. 15. 5. Ac. 26. 22.
[l] 2 Sa. 12. 14. Is. 52. 5.
[m] 1 Pe. 1. 10.
[n] Ga. 5. 2.
[o] ch. 17.
[p] Col. 3. 11.
[r] Ac 10. 34, 35.
[s] ch. 11. 26.
[t] Ep. 2. 8. Tit. 3. 5, 7.
[u] Mat. 12. 41.
[†] or, *fore-ordained.*
[v] Le. 16. 15. 1 Jno. 2. 2.
[x] Col. 1. 20.
[y] 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[‡] or, *passing over.*
[z] Mat. 3. 9.
[a] 1 Pe. 3. 4.
[b] Phi. 3. 3.

CHAP. III.

WHAT advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit *is there* of circumcision?
2 Much every way: chiefly, because that [b] unto them were committed the oracles of God.
3 For what if [d] some did not believe? [e] shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?
4 God [f] forbid: yea, let [g] God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, [h] That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.
5 But if our unrighteousness commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? *Is* God unrighteous who taketh vengeance? (I speak as a man)
6 God forbid: for then [m] how shall God judge the world?
7 For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory: why yet am I also judged as a sinner?
8 And not *rather,* (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say,) [o] Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just.
9 What then? are we better *than they?* [p] No, in no wise: for we have before [§] proved both Jews and Gentiles, that [p] they are all under sin;
10 As it is written, [r] There is none righteous, no, not one:
11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.
12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.
13 Their [s] throat *is* an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps *is* under their lips:
14 Whose [t] mouth *is* full of cursing and bitterness:
15 Their [u] feet *are* swift to shed blood:
16 Destruction and misery *are* in their ways:
17 And the way of peace have they not known:
18 There [d] is no fear of God before their eyes.
19 Now we know that what things soever [e] the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become [o] guilty before God.
20 Therefore [g] by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for [h] by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.
21 But now [i] the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, [k] being witnessed by the law [m] and the prophets;
22 Even the righteousness of God which *is* [o] by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for [p] there is no difference:
23 For [q] all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
24 Being justified freely [r] by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
25 Whom God hath [†] set forth [s] *to be* a propitiation through faith [u] in his blood, to declare his righteousness [x] for the [‡] remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;
26 To declare, *I say,* at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.
27 Where *is* boasting then? It is ex-

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cluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

28 Therefore we conclude [a] that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

29 *Is he* the God of the Jews only? *is he* not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30 Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.

31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law.

CHAP. IV.

WHAT shall we then say that [c] Abraham, our father as pertaining to the flesh, hath found?

2 For if Abraham were [d] justified by works, he hath *whereof* to glory; but not before God.

3 For what saith the scripture? [f] Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

4 Now [g] to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.

5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth [h] the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works,

7 *Saying,* [i] Blessed *are* they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

8 Blessed *is* the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

9 *Cometh* this blessedness then upon the circumcision *only,* or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness.

10 How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.

11 And [m] he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which *he had yet* being uncircumcised: that [n] he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also:

12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which *he had* being *yet* uncircumcised.

13 For the promise, that he should be the [b] heir of the world, *was* not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.

14 For [d] if they which are of the law *be* heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect:

15 Because [f] the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, *there* is no transgression.

16 Therefore *it is* of faith, that *it might be* by grace; [s] to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not *to* that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; [k] who is the father of us all,

17 (As it is written, [i] I have made thee a father of many nations,) [t] before him whom he believed, *even* God, [l] who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those [m] things which be not as though they were.

18 Who against hope believed in hope,

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[a] ch. 8. 2. Ac. 13. 38, 39. Ga. 2. 16, 21.
[b] Ge. 15. 5.
[c] He. 11. 11, 12.
[d] Lu. 1. 37, 45. He. 11. 19.
[e] Mat. 3. 9. 1 Co. 10. 6, 11.
[f] ch. 3. 27, 28.
[g] Ac. 2. 24. 13. 30.
[h] ch. 8. 33. Is. 53. 5, 6. 2 Co. 5. 21 1 Pe. 2. 24. He. 9. 28.
[i] Ge. 15. 6. Ge. 2. 6. Ja. 2. 23.
[k] 1 Co. 15. 17. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[l] ch. 11. 6. [m] Is. 22. 17. Jno. 16. 33.
[n] 2 Ch. 33. 12, 13.
[o] Jno. 10. 9. 14. 6. Ep. 2. 18. 3. 12. He. 10. 19.
[p] Mat. 3. 5, 11, 12. Phi. 2. 17.
[q] Ja. 1. 3.
[r] Ps. 32. 1, 2.
[s] Phi. 1. 20.
[t] or, *according to the time,* Ga. 4. 4.
[u] Jno. 15. 13. 1 Jno. 4. 18. 1 Jno. 3. 16. 4. 9, 10.
[v] Ge. 17. 10.
[w] Ep. 2. 13. He. 9. 14. 1 Jno. 1. 7.
[x] Lu. 19. 9. Ga. 3. 7.
[y] Ep. 2. 16. Col. 1. 20, 21.
[z] Jno. 5. 25. 14. 19. 2 Co. 4. 10, 11.
[a] or, *reconciliation.* 2 Co. 5. 18, 19.
[b] Ge. 3. 6. 1 Co. 15. 21.
[c] Ge. 17. 4, &c. Ga. 3. 29.
[d] ch. 6. 23. Ge. 2. 17.
[e] or, *in whom*
[f] Ga. 3. 10.
[g] ch. 3. 20. 1 Jno. 3. 4.
[h] 1 Co. 15. 56. 2 Co. 3. 7, 9. Ga. 3. 19, 19. 1 Jno. 3. 4.
[i] Ga. 3. 22.
[k] ch. 5. 5. Is. 51. 2.
[l] Ge. 17. 5.
[m] or, *like unto him.*
[n] Is. 53. 11. Mat. 20. 28. 26. 28.
[o] ch. 8. 11. Ep. 2. 1, 5. [p] ch. 9. 25. 1 Co. 1. 28. 1 Pe. 2. 10.

that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, [i] So shall thy seed be.

19 And being not weak in faith, [c] he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:

20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he [d] was able also to perform.

22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

23 Now [f] it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;

24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe [g] on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;

25 Who [i] was delivered for our offences, and [k] was raised again for our justification.

CHAP. V.

THEREFORE [m] being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

2 By [o] whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

3 And not only *so,* but [p] we glory in tribulations also: [q] knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

5 And [t] hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God [u] is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

6 For when we were yet without strength, [v] in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

8 But [x] God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

9 Much more then, being now justified [y] by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

10 For if, when we were enemies, [z] we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved [a] by his life.

11 And not only *so,* but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the [b] atonement.

12 Wherefore, as [c] by one man sin entered into the world, and [d] death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, [e] for that all have sinned:

13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but [f] sin is not imputed when there is no law.

14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

15 But not as the offence, so also *is* the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded [k] unto many.

16 And not as *it was* by one that sinned, *so* is the gift: for the judgment *was* by one to condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification.

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17 For if [o] by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

18 Therefore as [p] by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation; even so [†] by the righteousness of one *the free gift came* [q] upon all men unto justification of life.

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

20 Moreover [r] the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much [s] more abound:

21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHAP. VI.

WHAT shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are [t] dead to sin, live any longer therein?

3 Know ye not, that so many of us as [§] were baptized into Jesus Christ [u] were baptized into his death?

4 Therefore we are [v] buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, [w] even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For [x] if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also *in the likeness of his* resurrection:

6 Knowing this, that [y] our old man is crucified with *him*, that [z] the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

7 For [a] he that is dead is [b] freed from sin.

8 Now [c] if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

9 Knowing that [d] Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

10 For in that he died, [e] he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, [f] he liveth unto God.

11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but [g] alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 Let [h] not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your [i] members *as* [§] instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but [j] yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness unto God.

14 For [k] sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

15 What then? shall we sin, [l] because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

16 Know ye not, that [m] to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart [n] that form of doctrine [o] which was delivered you.

18 Being then [p] made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

19 I speak after the manner of men

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[o] or, *by one offence.*
[a] Jno. 8. 34.
[†] *so.*
[‡] or, *by one righteousness.*
[b] ch. 7. 5.
[c] Jno. 19. 33. He. 9. 4.
[d] ch. 1. 32.
[e] Jno. 8. 32.
[f] Jno. 15. 23.
[g] Ga. 2. 17.
[h] ch. 2. 7. 5. 17. 21. 1 Pe. 1. 4.
[i] La. 7. 47. 1 Ti. 1. 14.
[k] 1 Co. 7. 39.
[l] ch. 7. 4. Col. 3. 3. 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[§] or, *are.*
[m] 1 Co. 15. 29.
[n] Mat. 5. 22.
[o] Col. 2. 12.
[p] Ep. 4. 22. 24. Phi. 3. 10. 11.
[q] Ga. 2. 19. Ep. 2. 15. Col. 2. 14.
[r] Gal. 3. 5. 9.
[s] Ga. 5. 22.
[t] Col. 2. 11.
[§] *passions.*
[x] 1 Pe. 4. 1.
[y] *justified.*
[z] ch. 6. 21. La. 1. 15.
[a] 2 Ti. 2. 11.
[b] Re. 1. 18.
[†] or, *being dead to that.* ch. 6. 2.
[b] ch. 2. 29. 2 Co. 3. 6.
[c] Ho. 9. 27. 28.
[d] Lu. 20. 38.
[e] ch. 3. 20.
[‡] or, *concupiscence.*
[f] Ex. 20. 17.
[g] Ga. 2. 19.
[h] Ps. 119. 133.
[i] 1 Co. 15. 56.
[k] ch. 7. 5. Ja. 4. 1.
[§] *arms*, or, *weapons.*
[l] ch. 19. 1.
[m] 1 Pe. 2. 24.
[n] Le. 18. 5. 2 Co. 3. 7.
[o] Ga. 5. 18.
[p] Ps. 19. 8. 119. 127.
[q] 1 Ti. 1. 8.
[r] 1 Co. 9. 21.
[s] Mat. 6. 24. Jno. 8. 34. 2 Pe. 2. 19.
[t] 1 Ki. 21. 20. 2 Ki. 17. 17.
[‖] *know.* Ps. 1. 6.
[u] Ga. 5. 17.
[v] 2 Ti. 1. 13.
[w] *wherein ye were delivered.*
[x] 1 Co. 7. 22. Ga. 5. 1. 1 Pe. 2. 16.

Believers dead to the law.

because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

20 For when ye were [q] the servants of sin, ye were free [r] from righteousness.

21 What [s] fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for [t] the end of those things is death.

22 But now [‖] being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

23 For [u] the wages of sin is death; but the [v] gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHAP. VII.

KNOW ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

2 For [x] the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to *her* husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of *her* husband.

3 So then [y] if, while *her* husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.

4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become [z] dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, *even* to him who is raised from the dead, that we should [a] bring forth fruit unto God.

5 For when we were in the flesh, the [§] motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members [b] to bring forth fruit unto death.

6 But now we are delivered from the law, [†] that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve [c] in newness of spirit, and not [d] in the oldness of the letter.

7 What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, [e] I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, [f] Thou shalt not covet.

8 But sin, taking occasion [g] by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For [h] without the law sin *was* dead.

9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.

10 And the commandment, [i] which was *ordained* to life, I found *to be* unto death.

11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me.

12 Wherefore [k] the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin [l] by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

14 For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, [m] sold under sin.

15 For that which I do I allow not: [n] for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.

16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

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18 For I know that [a] in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.

19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

22 For I [c] delight in the law of God after [f] the inward man:

23 But [g] I see another law in [h] my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from [†] the body of this death?

25 I [k] thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

CHAP. VIII.

THERE is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who [o] walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

2 For the law of [p] the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law [q] of sin and death.

3 For [r] what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, [s] God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and [‡] for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

5 For [t] they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit [u] the things of the Spirit.

6 For [‖] to [d] be carnally minded *is* death; but [v] to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.

7 Because [‖] the [f] carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, [h] neither indeed can be.

8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not [k] the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

10 And if Christ *be* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of [m] him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, [n] he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies [†] by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

14 For [o] as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the [u] Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 The [v] Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17 And if children, then heirs; [x] heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.

18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

19 For [b] the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the [‖] manifestation of the sons of God.

20 For [d] the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected *the same* in hope,

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

22 For we know that [e] the whole creation [i] groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23 And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have [f] the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the [m] redemption of our body.

24 For we are saved by hope: but [n] hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

25 But if we hope for that we see not, *then* do we with patience wait for *it*.

26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for [r] we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but [t] the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of the Spirit, [§] because he maketh intercession for the saints [x] according to *the will of* God.

28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them [y] who are the called according to *his* purpose.

29 For whom [b] he did foreknow, he also did predestinate [z] *to be* conformed to the image of his Son, [c] that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also [g] justified: and whom he justified, them he also [i] glorified.

31 What shall we then say to these things? If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?

32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? [1] *It is* God that justifieth.

34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, [a] who is even at the right hand of God, [b] who also maketh intercession for us.

35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36 As it is written, [c] For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37 Nay, [d] in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A. D. 60.

[a] Ge. 6. 5. Job 15. 14.
[b] 2 Pe. 3. 13.
[c] 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[d] Ge. 3. 19.
[e] Ps. 1. 2.
[f] 2 Co. 4. 16. Ep. 3. 16. Col. 3. 9, 10.
[g] Ps. 119. 176.
[h] ch. 6. 13, 19.
[i] or, *every creature*, Mar. 16. 15. Col. 1. 23.
[k] Je. 12. 11.
[†] or, *this body of death.*
[k] 1 Co. 15. 57.
[l] 2 Co. 5. 5. Ep. 1. 14.
[m] Lu. 21. 28.
[n] 2 Co. 5. 7. He. 11. 1.
[o] Ga. 5. 16, 25.
[p] 1 Co. 15. 45. 2 Co. 3. 6.
[q] Mat. 20. 22.
[r] ch. 7. 24, 25.
[s] Zec. 12. 10.
[t] Ac. 13. 39. He. 10. 1, 2.
[u] Ga. 3. 13.
[‡] or, *by a sacrifice for sin.*
[§] or, *that.*
[x] 1 Jno. 5. 14.
[y] Jno. 3. 6. 1 Co. 2. 14. ch. 9. 11, 23.
[z] Ga. 5. 22.
[a] Je. 1. 5. 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[b] Jno. 17. 22. Phi. 3. 21.
[‖] *the minding of the flesh.*
[d] ch. 6. 21. Ga. 6. 8.
[e] He. 1. 6. Re. 1. 5.
[f] *the minding of the Spirit.*
[f] Ja. 4. 4.
[g] 1 Co. 6. 11.
[h] 1 Co. 2. 14.
[i] Jno. 17. 22. Ep. 2. 6.
[k] Jno. 3. 34.
[l] Is. 50. 8, 9. Re. 12. 10, 11.
[m] Ac. 2. 24.
[n] Mar. 16. 19. Col. 3. 1.
[o] Ep. 2. 5.
[p] He. 7. 25. 9. 24. 1 Jno. 2. 1.
[†] or, *because of his.*
[r] Ps. 44. 22. 2 Co. 4. 11.
[s] Ga. 5. 18.
[t] 1 Co. 15. 57. 1 Jno. 4. 4. 5. 4, 5. Re. 12. 11.
[u] Is. 56. 5.
[v] 2 Co. 1. 22. Ep. 1. 13.
[x] Ac. 26. 18. Ga. 4. 5, 7.

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CHAP. IX.

I SAY the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,

2 That [a] I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.

3 For [b] I could wish that myself were [c] accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh:

4 Who are Israelites; [d] to whom *pertaineth* the adoption, and [e] the glory, and [f] the [†] covenants, and [g] the giving of the law, and the service *of God*, and [h] the promises;

5 Whose *are* the fathers, and [i] of whom as concerning the flesh Christ *came*, [k] who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

6 Not [l] as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For [m] they *are* not all Israel, which are of Israel:

7 Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, *are they* all children: but, In [n] Isaac shall thy seed be called.

8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God: but [o] the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

9 For this *is* the word of promise, [p] At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son.

10 And not only *this*; but when [q] Rebecca also had conceived by one, *even* by our father Isaac;

11 (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of [r] him that calleth;)

12 It was said unto her, [s] The [‖] elder shall serve the [t] younger.

13 As it is written, [u] Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

14 What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid.

15 For he saith to Moses, [w] I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

16 So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

17 For [x] the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, [y] Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.

18 Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will *have mercy*, and whom he will he hardeneth.

19 Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?

20 Nay but, O man, who art thou that [z] repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?

21 Hath not the [a] potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make [b] one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

22 *What* if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering [c] the vessels of wrath [‡] fitted [d] to destruction:

23 And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,

24 Even us, whom he hath called, [e] not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

25 As he saith also in Osee, [f] I will call

A. D. 60.

[a] Ho. 1. 10.
[b] ch. 10. 1.
[c] Ex. 32. 32.
[d] or, *separated.*
[e] Is. 10. 22, 23.
[f] Ex. 4. 22.
[g] ch. 11. 5.
[h] Ps. 89. 2.
[i] Ac. 3. 25.
[†] or, *testaments.*
[k] Ps. 147. 19.
[‡] or, *account.*
[l] Ac. 13. 32.
[m] Is. 28. 22.
[n] Lu. 3. 23.
[o] Jno. 1. 1.
[p] Is. 1. 9.
[q] Lu. 1. 22.
[r] Nu. 23. 19.
[s] Is. 13. 19.
[t] Je. 50. 40.
[u] Jno. 8. 39.
[w] ch. 4. 11.
[x] Ge. 21. 12.
[y] Ro. 11. 28.
[z] ch. 1. 17.
[a] ch. 10. 2.
[b] Ga. 5. 4.
[c] Ga. 4. 28.
[d] Ge. 18. 10, 14.
[e] Lu. 2. 34.
[f] 1 Co. 1. 23.
[g] Ge. 25. 21.
[h] Ps. 118. 22.
[i] Is. 8. 14.
[k] 1 Pe. 2. 6, 8.
[‖] or, *confounded.*
[l] ch. 4. 17.
[m] Ge. 25. 23.
[n] or, *greater.*
[o] Ac. 21. 20.
[p] Pro. 3. 34.
[q] or, *lesser.*
[r] De. 21. 15.
Pr. 13. 24.
Mal. 1. 2, 3.
Jno. 12. 25.
[s] ch. 1. 17.
[t] Phi. 3. 9.
[u] Ex. 33. 19.
[w] Mat. 5. 17.
Ga. 3. 24.
[x] Lu. 18. 5.
Ne. 9. 29.
Ga. 3. 12.
[y] Ga. 3. 6, 22.
[z] Ex. 9. 16.
[a] De. 30. 12-14
[b] Is. 57. 19.
[†] or, *answerest again*, or, *disputest with God?*
Job 33. 13.
[c] Pr. 16. 4.
Je. 18. 6.
[d] 1 Th. 5. 9.
[e] 2 Ti. 2. 20.
[f] Is. 29. 16.
49. 23.
Je. 17. 7.
[g] 1 Th. 5. 9.
[h] ch. 3. 22.
Ac. 15. 9.
Ga. 3. 28.
[‡] or, *made up*
[i] 1 Pe. 2. 8.
Jude 4.
[k] Joel 2. 32.
Ac. 2. 21.
[l] Ac. 9. 14.
[m] ch. 3. 29.
[n] Ho. 2. 23.
1 Pe. 2. 10.

them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.

26 And [g] it shall come to pass, *that* in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God.

27 Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, [h] Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, [i] a remnant shall be saved:

28 For he will finish the [†] work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: [k] because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

29 And as Esaias said before, [l] Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, [m] we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha.

30 What shall we say then? [n] That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, [o] even the righteousness which is of faith.

31 But Israel, [p] which followed after the law of righteousness, [q] hath not attained to the law of righteousness.

32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For [r] they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

33 As it is written, [s] Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and [t] whosoever believeth on him shall not be [§] ashamed.

CHAP. X.

BRETHREN, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.

2 For I bear them record that [a] they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.

3 For they being ignorant of [b] God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own [c] righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

4 For [d] Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

5 For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, [e] That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, [f] Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down *from above*:)

7 Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)

8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, [g] *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

11 For the scripture saith, [h] Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

12 For [i] there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

13 For [k] whosoever shall call [l] upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

14 How then shall they call on him [m] in whom they have not believed? and how [n] shall they believe in him of whom they

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have not heard? and how shall they hear [a] without a preacher?

15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, [b] How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, [d] Lord, who hath believed [e] our [†] report?

17 So then *faith cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, [g] their sound went into all the earth, [i] and their words unto the ends of the world.

19 But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, [k] I will provoke you to jealousy by *them that are* no people, *and* by a foolish nation I will anger you.

20 But Esaias is very bold, and saith, [m] I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me.

21 But to Isrnel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

CHAP. XI.

I SAY then, [r] Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. [s] I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, *of* the tribe of Benjamin.

2 God hath not cast away his people which [u] he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith [§] of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,

3 Lord, [y] they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.

4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? [z] I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of* Baal.

5 Even [b] so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

6 And [d] if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

7 What then? [f] Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were [g] blinded

8 (According as it is written, [i] God hath given them the spirit of [‡] slumber, [k] eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.

9 And David saith, [l] Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumbling-block, and a recompence unto them:

10 Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway.

11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but *rather* through their fall salvation *is come* unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.

12 Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the [‖] diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?

13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I [*] am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:

14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation *them which are* my flesh, and might save some of them.

15 For if the casting away of them *be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall* the receiving *of them be*, but life from the dead?

16 For if [*] the firstfruit *be* holy, the lump is also *holy*: and if the root *be* holy, so *are* the branches.

17 And if [*] some of the branches be broken off, [*] and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in [‡] among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

18 Boast [*] not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.

19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. [*] Be not highminded, but [m] fear:

21 For if God spared not the natural branches, *take heed* lest he also spare not thee.

22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, [*] if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise [*] thou also shalt be cut off.

23 And they also, [*] if they abide not in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graff them in again.

24 For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert graffed contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural *branches*, be grafted into their own olive tree?

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be [*] wise in your own conceits; that [‖] blindness [*] in part is happened to Israel, [*] until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, [*] There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

27 For [*] this *is* my covenant unto them when I shall take away their sins.

28 As concerning the gospel, *they are* enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, *they are* beloved for the fathers' sakes.

29 For the gifts and calling of God *are* [*] without repentance.

30 For as ye [*] in times past have not [†] believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief:

31 Even so have these also now not [†] believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy.

32 For [m] God hath [§] concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.

33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! [n] how unsearchable *are* his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

34 For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or [o] who hath been his counseller?

35 Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?

36 For [p] of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: [r] to [*] whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.

CHAP. XII.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, [*] that ye present your

A. D. 60.

[a] Tit. 1. 3.
[b] Is. 52. 7. Na. 1. 15.
[c] Lo. 21. 10. Nu. 15. 18.. 21
[d] Is. 53. 1. Jno. 12. 38.
[e] Je. 11. 16.
[*] *the hearing of us.*
[†] or, *preaching?*
[f] Ac. 2. 39. Ep. 2. 12, 13.
[‡] or, *for.*
[g] Ps. 19. 4.
[h] 1 Co. 10. 12.
[i] 1 Ki. 18. 10. Mat. 4. 6.
[k] De. 32. 21.
[l] ch. 12. 16.
[m] Pr. 28. 14. Is. 66. 2. Phi. 2. 12.
[n] Is. 65. 1, 2.
[o] 1 Co. 15. 2. He. 3. 6. 14.
[p] Jno. 15. 2.
[r] Je. 31. 37.
[s] 2 Co. 3. 16.
[t] Phi. 3. 5.
[u] ch. 8. 29.
[§] *in Elias?*
[y] 1 Ki. 19. 10, 14.
[z] ch. 12. 16.
[‖] or, *hardness.*
[b] ver. 7.
[d] 1 Ki. 19. 18.
[e] Lu. 21. 24. Re. 7. 9.
[f] ch. 9. 27.
[g] Pe. 14. 7. Is. 59. 20.
[i] ch. 4. 4. 5. De. 9. 4, 5. Ga. 5. 4.
[k] Je. 31. 31, &c He. 8. 8. 10. 16.
[l] ch. 3. 31. 10. 3.
[m] Nu. 23. 19.
[n] or, *hardened,* 2 Co. 3. 14.
[o] Ps. 2. 2. Ac. 4. 27.
[p] Is. 29. 10
[‡] or, *obeyed.*
[k] or, *remorse.*
[l] De. 29. 4. Is. 6. 9. Je. 5. 21. Eze. 12. 2. Mat. 13. 14. Jno. 12. 40 Ac. 28. 26, 27
[m] Ps. 69. 22, 23.
[n] ch. 3. 9.
[§] or, *shut them all up together.*
[n] Ps. 36. 6.
[o] Job 35. 22.
[‖] or, *decay,* or, *loss.*
[p] 1 Co. 8. 6. Col. 1. 16.
[r] Jude 25. Re. 1. 6.
[*] *him.*
[a] Ac. 9. 15.
[t] 1 Pe. 2. 5.

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bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which* is your reasonable service.

2 And [a] be not conformed to this world: but [b] be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may [c] prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think [d] soberly, according as God hath dealt [e] to every man the measure of faith.

4 For [f] as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:

5 So [h] we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

6 Having [i] then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether [m] prophecy, *let us prophesy* according to the proportion of faith;

7 Or ministry, *let us wait* on *our* ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

8 Or [n] he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that [†] giveth, *let him do it* [‡] with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, [r] with cheerfulness.

9 *Let* love be without dissimulation. [s] Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

10 *Be* [t] kindly affectioned one to another [§] with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

12 Rejoicing [u] in hope; patient in tribulation; [x] continuing instant in prayer;

13 Distributing [y] to the necessity of saints; [z] given to hospitality.

14 Bless [a] them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

15 Rejoice [b] with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

16 *Be* of the same mind one toward another. [c] Mind not high things, but [‖] condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.

17 Recompense [d] to no man evil for evil. [m] Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, [e] Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

20 Therefore [f] if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

CHAP. XIII.

LET every soul [g] be subject unto the higher powers. For [h] there is no power but of God: the powers that be are [‖] ordained of God.

2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? [i] do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:

A. D. 60.

[a] 1 Pe. 1. 14. 1 Jno. 2. 15
[b] Ep. 1. 18. Col. 1. 21, 22
[c] Ep. 5. 10, 17.
[d] Ec. 8. 2.
[e] *to soberly.*
[f] 1 Co. 12. 7, 11.
[g] Mat. 22. 21
[h] Ep. 4. 16.
[i] 1 Co. 10. 17. Ep. 1. 23.
[k] Ga. 5. 14. Col. 3. 14. 1 Ti. 1. 5.
[l] Ex. 20. 13, &c.
[m] 1 Pe. 4. 10, 11
[n] 1 Co. 14. 1, 6, 22, 31.
[o] Ga. 5. 14. Ja. 2. 8.
[p] Ac. 15. 32.
[†] or, *imparteth.*
[‡] or, *liberally.* 2 Co. 8. 2.
[q] Mat. 22. 40
[r] 2 Co. 9. 7.
[s] 1 Co. 15. 34. Ep. 5. 14.
[t] 1 Th. 5. 5, 6.
[u] Am. 5. 15.
[x] He. 13. 1.
[§] or, *in the love of the brethren.*
[y] Ep. 6. 12.
[‖] or, *decently*
[z] 1 Pe. 4. 3.
[a] 1 Co. 6. 9.
[b] He. 13. 2.
[c] Ja. 3. 14.
[d] Lu. 18. 1. Col. 4. 2.
[e] 1 Th. 5. 17.
[f] 1 Jno. 3. 17.
[g] Ga. 3. 27.
[h] He. 13. 2.
[i] Mat. 5. 44.
[k] 1 Co. 12. 26.
[l] 1 Co. 9. 22.
[m] or, *not to judge his doubtful thoughts.*
[e] Ps. 131. 1, 2
[f] 1 Co. 10. 25. 1 Ti. 4. 4.
[†] or, *he condoled with mean things.*
[g] Pr. 20. 22. Mat. 5. 39
[h] 2 Co. 8. 21.
[i] Col. 2. 16.
[k] Ja. 4. 12.
[l] De. 32. 35. He. 10. 30.
[m] Ga. 4. 10
[n] Ex. 23. 4, 5. Mat. 5. 44.
[‖] or, *assured.*
[§] or, *observeth.*
[o] Tit. 3. 1.
[p] Pr. 8. 15, 16. Jno. 19. 11.
[‖] or, *ordered.*
[q] 1 Pe. 4. 2
[r] 2 Co. 5. 15.
[s] 1 Pe. 2. 14.

4 For he is the minister of God to thee *for* good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to *execute* wrath upon him that doeth evil.

5 Wherefore [k] *ye* must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake.

6 For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.

7 Render [l] therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute *is due;* custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for [m] he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

9 For this, [n] Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love [o] thy neighbour as thyself.

10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore [p] love *is* the fulfilling of the law.

11 And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time [q] to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed.

12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and [r] let us put on the armour of light.

13 Let us walk [s] honestly, as in the day; [x] not in rioting and drunkenness, [y] not in chambering and wantonness, [z] not in strife and envying.

14 But [a] put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof.*

CHAP. XIV.

HIM that [b] is weak in the faith receive ye, *but* [c] not to doubtful disputations.

2 For one believeth that he [d] may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs.

3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and [e] let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.

4 Who [f] art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand.

5 One [g] man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike.* Let every man be fully [‖] persuaded in his own mind.

6 He that [§] regardeth the day, regardeth *it* unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard *it.* He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks.

7 For [h] none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.

8 For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

9 For [i] to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.

10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy

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brother? for [a] we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

11 For it is written, [b] *As* I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.

12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that [c] no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way.

14 I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that *f there is* nothing [g] unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth any thing to be [g] unclean, to him *it is* unclean.

15 But if thy brother be grieved with *thy* meat, now walkest thou not [†] charitably. [i] Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died.

16 Let [k] not then your good be evil spoken of:

17 For [m] the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

18 For he that in these things serveth Christ [n] *is* acceptable to God, and approved of men.

19 Let [r] us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith [s] one may edify another.

20 For meat destroy not the work of God. All [t] things indeed *are* pure; [v] but *it is* evil for that man who eateth with offence.

21 *It is* good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor *any thing* whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.

22 Hast thou faith? have *it* to thyself before God. [y] Happy *is* he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.

23 And he that [‖] doubteth is damned if he eat, because *he eateth* not of faith: for [b] whatsoever *is* not of faith is sin.

CHAP. XV.

WE [c] then that are strong ought to bear the [d] infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

2 Let [f] every one of us please *his* neighbour for *his* good to edification.

3 For [h] even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, [i] The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.

4 For [k] whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be [m] likeminded one toward another [†] according to Christ Jesus:

6 That ye may [o] with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

7 Wherefore receive ye one another, [p] as Christ also received us to the glory of God.

8 Now I say that [r] Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, [s] to confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers:

9 And [v] that the Gentiles might glorify God for *his* mercy; as it is written, [x] For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy name.

10 And again he saith, [y] Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.

11 And again, [b] Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.

A. D. 60.

[a] Mat. 25. 31. 2 Co. 5. 10.
[b] Is. 11. 1, 10. Re. 5. 5. 22. 16.
[c] Is. 45. 23. Phi. 2. 10.
[d] 2 Pe. 1. 12. 1 Jno. 2. 21.
[e] 1 Co. 10. 32.
[f] Ac. 10. 15.
[g] *common.*
[h] Ga. 1. 15.
[i] Ga. 2. 7..9. 1 Ti. 2. 7. 2 Ti. 1. 11.
[†] *according to charity.*
[i] 1 Co. 8. 11.
[k] or, *sacrificing.*
[k] Is. 66. 20. Phi. 2. 17.
[l] 1 Th. 5. 22.
[m] 1 Co. 8. 8.
[n] Ro. 5. 1.
[o] Ac. 21. 19.
[p] 2 Co. 8. 21.
[r] ch. 12. 18. Ps. 34. 14.
[s] Ac. 19. 11. 2 Co. 12. 12.
[t] 1 Th. 5. 11.
[v] Mar. 15. 11.
[x] 1 Co 8. 9..12.
[x] Is. 52. 15.
[y] 1 Jno. 3. 21.
[z] ch. 1. 13.
[§] or, *many ways, or, oftentimes.*
[‖] or, *discerneth and putteth a difference between meats.*
[a] Ac. 19. 21.
[b] Tit. 1. 15.
[c] Ga. 6. 1.
[d] ch. 14. 1.
[e] *with you,* ver. 32.
[e] Ac. 20. 22.
[f] Phi. 2. 4, 5.
[g] 1 Co.16.1,3. 2 Co. 8. 1.
[h] Mat. 26. 39.
[i] Ps. 69. 9.
[k] ch. 4. 23, 24. 2 Ti.3.16,17.
[l] ch. 11. 17.
[m] 1 Co. 1. 10. Phi. 3. 16.
[†] or, *after the example of.*
[n] Phi. 4. 17.
[o] Ac. 4.24,32.
[p] ch. 5. 2.
[r] Mat. 15. 24. Jno. 1. 11.
[s] Pet. 2. 1.
[t] 2 Co. 1. 11. Col. 4. 12.
[u] ch. 3. 3. 2 Co. 1. 20.
[v] Jno. 10. 16.
[x] or, *are disobedient.*
[x] Ps. 18. 49.
[y] ch. 1. 10.
[z] De. 32. 43.
[a] Ac. 18. 21. Ja. 4. 15.
[b] Ps. 117. 1.
[c] He. 13. 20.

12 And again, Esaias saith, [b] There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.

13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

14 And [d] I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the [d] grace that is given to me of God,

16 That [h] I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the [†] offering [k] up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

17 I have therefore wherewof I may glory through Jesus Christ [m] in those things which pertain to God.

18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things [o] which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,

19 Through [r] mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

20 Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation:

21 But as it is written, [x] To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.

22 For which cause also [y] I have been [§] much hindered from coming to you.

23 But now having no more place in these parts, and [z] having a great desire these many years to come unto you;

24 Whensoever I take my journey into Spain, I will come to you: for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled [e] with your *company.*

25 But now [f] I go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the saints.

26 For [g] it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem.

27 It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For [i] if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things.

28 When therefore I have performed this, and have sealed to them [u] this fruit, I will come by you into Spain.

29 And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.

30 Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and [t] for the love of the Spirit, [t] that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers to God for me;

31 That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judæa; and that my service which *I have* for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;

32 That [y] I may come unto you with joy [e] by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed.

33 Now [e] the God of peace *be* with you all. Amen.

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CHAP. XVI.

I COMMEND unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea:

2 That [b] ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also.

3 Greet [f] Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus:

4 Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.

5 Likewise *greet* [i] the church that is in their house. Salute my wellbeloved Epenetus, who is [i] the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.

6 Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us.

7 Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellowprisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also [m] were in Christ before me.

8 Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord.

9 Salute Urbane, our helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloved.

10 Salute Apelles approved in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus' [z] *household*.

11 Salute Herodion my kinsman. Greet them that be of the [t] *household* of Narcissus, which are in the Lord.

12 Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord.

13 Salute Rufus [o] chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.

14 Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren which are with them.

15 Salute Philologus, and Julia, Nereus, and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints which are with them.

16 Salute [p] one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them [q] which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and [q] avoid them.

18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but [r] their own belly; and [s] by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

19 For [t] your obedience is come abroad unto all *men*. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you [u] wise unto that which is good, and [v] simple concerning evil.

20 And the God of peace [f] shall [w] bruise Satan under your feet shortly. [x] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

21 Timotheus [m] my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsmen, salute you.

22 I Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, salute you in the Lord.

23 Gaius mine host, and of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the chamberlain of the city saluteth you, and Quartus a brother.

24 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

25 Now [y] to him that is of power to stablish you [P] according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, [r] according to the revelation of the mystery, [z] which was kept secret since the world began,

26 But now is made manifest, and [a] by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for [b] the obedience of faith:

27 To [c] God only wise, *be* glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

¶ Written to the Romans from Corinthus, *and sent* by Phebe servant of the church at Cenchrea.

A. D. 60.

[a] Ac. 15. 1, 5
1 Ti. 6. 3.
[b] Phi. 2. 29.
3 Joo. 5, 6.
[c] 1 Co. 5. 9, 11.
2 Joo. 10.
[d] Phi. 3. 19.
[e] Col. 2. 4.
2 Pe. 2. 3.
[f] Ac. 18. 2.
2 Ti. 4. 19.
[g] ch. 1. 8.
[h] Mat. 10. 16.
[e] or, *harmless*
[i] 1 Co. 16. 19.
Col. 4. 15.
Philo. 2.
[j] Ge. 3. 15.
[k] or, *tread*.
[l] 2 Co. 13. 14.
Re. 22. 21.
[l] 1 Co. 16. 15.
[m] Ac. 16. 1.
He. 13. 23.
[n] Ga. 1. 22.
[z] or, *friends*.
[o] Ep. 3. 20.
1 Th. 3. 13.
2 Th. 2. 17.
Jude 24.
[P] ch. 2. 16.
[r] Ep. 1. 9.
3. 3, 5.
Col. 1. 27.
[s] 1 Co. 2. 7.
Ep. 3. 5, 9.
Col. 1. 26.
[t] Ep. 1. 9.
[u] 2 Ti. 1. 10.
Tit. 1. 2, 3.
1 Pe. 1. 20.
[v] 2 Joo. 1.
[w] Ac. 6. 7.
[x] 1 Ti. 1. 17.
6. 16.
Jude 25.
[y] 1 Pe. 5. 14.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. VII. 24.—BINDING THE LIVING TO THE DEAD. It is not certain that the binding of the living to the dead was a Roman punishment. We, however, avail ourselves of this article to glance generally at the Roman modes of punishment, which will enable the reader the better to understand various statements and allusions in the apostolical narratives and epistles. In the time of the free state there was an open trial, and a long process. But when there were sovereigns, the people had no part in deciding any cases, as the monarchs themselves were the sole judges. The usual Roman punishments were by pecuniary mulct or fine; also by imprisonment and fetters. Punishment was likewise inflicted by stripes. There was, further, the *Talio*,—a punishment by which the guilty person suffered exactly after the same manner as he had offended. Here the criminal was allowed the liberty of compounding. Another punishment was inflicted, simply by the prætor's edict, or by an order of the censor. This exposed the criminal party to public shame, and took away the privilege of bearing any office, and almost all other liberties of a Roman citizen. Exiling the party had several degrees. Sale of the person by auction was a punishment, but this rarely happened to the citizens. Putting to death was by beheading, throwing the criminal headlong from a part of the prison, or from the Tarpeian mountain; and crucifying, as in the case of our Divine Lord, who, in suffering it, suffered a punishment inflicted on slaves or the meanest persons. A parricide, after being whipped, was sewn up in a sack and thrown into the sea, or into a lake or river. In later ages, sometimes convicted persons, especially slaves, were obliged to engage with the wild beasts in the amphitheatre: or to perform the part of gladiators, by killing one another. Many were condemned to work in the mines. This punishment was particularly inflicted on Christians in the times of persecution. The most despicable of malefactors were thrown to wild beasts. This punishment was also suffered by the primitive Christians. Finally, there was another punishment for incendiaries, and that was the wrapping up the criminal in a sort of coat daubed over with pitch, and then setting it on fire. Thus, when Nero had burnt Rome, to satisfy his cruelty with the prospect, he contrived to lay the odium on the Christians, as a sort of men generally detested, and ordered them to be lighted up in this manner, to serve for tapers in the dark. We see here illustrations of many passages. Though binding the living to the dead is not mentioned among Roman punishments, it is certain that one tyrant was renowned for practising this cruel punishment; and the apostle Paul was doubtless acquainted with the fact. Mezentius, a king of the Tyrrhenians, was remarkable for his cruelties, and put his subjects to death by slow tortures, or sometimes tied a man to a dead corpse face to face, and suffered him to die in that condition. Virgil paints the cruel punishment in strong colours, strikingly exhibited in the Translation of Dryden:

> 'What words can paint those execrable times;
> The subject's sufferings and the tyrant's crimes?
> The living and the dead at his command,
> Were coupled face to face, and hand to hand;
> Till choak'd with stench in loath'd embraces tied,
> The lingering wretched pin'd away and died.'

Doddridge considers this as a most forcible and expressive image of the case represented.

CH. XV. 19.—ILLYRICUM, called also Illyria, and Illyris, a country bordering on the Adriatic Sea, opposite Italy. It was made a Roman province, and now forms part of Croatia, Bosnia, and Sclavonia.

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BINDING THE LIVING TO THE DEAD.—*Composition.*—Ro. vii. 24.



ILLYRIA.—*Cæsar.*—Rom. xv. 19.

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The First Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the CORINTHIANS.

Intended to answer certain inquiries, and to correct certain schisms and disorders, about A. D. 57.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, [a] called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and [b] Sosthenes *our* brother,

2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that [c] are sanctified in Christ Jesus, [d] called *to be* saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, [e] both their's and our's:

3 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;

5 That in every thing ye are enriched by him, [f] in all utterance, and *in* all knowledge;

6 Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:

7 So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting [m] for the [n] coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:

8 Who shall also confirm you unto the end, [o] *that ye may be* blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 God [p] *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto [q] the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no † divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them *which are of the house* of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

12 Now this I say, [a] that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of [b] Cephas; and I of Christ.

13 Is [d] Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;

15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.

16 And I baptized also the housbold of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.

17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: [g] not with wisdom of ‖ words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

18 For the preaching of the cross is to [h] them that perish [i] foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the [k] power of God.

19 For it is written, [l] I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

20 Where [r] *is* the wise? where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer of this world? [s] hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

21 For [t] after that in the wisdom of God, the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

22 For the [y] Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:

A. D. 59.

[a] Ro. 1. 1.
[b] Is. 8. 14. Jno. 6. 60. Ro. 9. 33.
[c] Ac. 18. 17.
[d] Ro. 1. 4, 16.
[e] Jno. 17. 19.
[f] 2 Ti. 1. 9.
[g] Ro. 3. 22. 10. 12.
[h] Jno. 7. 48.
[i] Ps. 8. 2. Ja. 2. 5.
[k] 2 Co. 6. 7.
[l] Ro. 4. 17.
[m] Phi. 3. 20. Tit. 2. 13.
[n] *revelation.* Col. 3. 4.
[o] Ro. 3. 27. Ep. 2. 9.
[p] Col. 1. 23. 1 Th. 5. 23.
[q] Col. 2. 2.
[r] Je. 23. 5, 6. Ro. 4. 25.
2 Co. 5. 21. Phi. 3. 9.
[s] Jno. 17. 19.
[t] Is. 7. 9. He. 10. 23.
[u] Ep. 1. 7.
[v] Jno. 15. 4. 1 Jno. 1. 3.
[w] Je. 9. 23, 24.
† *schisms,* ch. 11. 18.
[y] Ga. 6. 14. Phi. 3. 8.
[z] 2 Co. 4. 7. Ga. 4. 13.
[a] ch. 3. 4.
[b] Jno. 1. 42.
[c] ch. 1. 17.
[d] 2 Pe. 1. 16.
‡ or, *persuasible.*
[d] 2 Co. 11. 4. Ep. 4. 5.
[e] Ro. 15. 19. 1 Th. 1. 5.
§ *be.*
[f] ch. 14. 20. Ep. 4. 13.
[g] 2 Pe. 1. 16.
‖ or, *speech.*
[h] Mat. 11. 25.
[i] Lu. 23. 34. Jno. 16. 3. Ac. 3. 17.
[k] 2 Co. 2. 15.
[l] Ac. 17. 18.
[m] Is. 64. 4.
[n] Ro. 1. 21.
[o] Is. 29. 14.
[p] Jno. 14. 26. 1 Jno. 2. 27.
[r] Is. 33. 18.
[s] Is. 44. 25.
[t] Pr. 30. 27.
[u] Lu. 10. 21. Ro. 1. 20, 21, 28.
[v] Ro. 11. 33, 34.
[x] Ro. 8. 15.
[y] Mar. 8. 11. Jno. 4. 48.

23 But we preach Christ crucified, [h] unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

24 But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ [d] the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

26 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that [h] not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called:*

27 But [i] God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, *yea,* and things [i] which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

29 That [u] no flesh should glory in his presence.

30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us [y] wisdom, and [r] righteousness, and [s] sanctification, and [u] redemption:

31 That, according as it is written, [x] He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

CHAP. II.

AND I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, [y] save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

3 And I was with you [a] in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

4 And my speech and my preaching [c] *was* not with † enticing words of man's wisdom, [e] but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

5 That your faith should not § stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them [f] that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom,* which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

8 Which [h] none of the princes of this world knew: for [i] had they known *it,* they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

9 But as it is written, [m] Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

10 But [p] God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, [t] save the spirit of man which is in him? [v] even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but [v] the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

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13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

14 But [a] the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

15 But [d] he that is spiritual [e]judgeth all things, yet he himself is [†]judged of no man.

16 For [f] who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he [‡]may instruct him? [g] But we have the mind of Christ.

CHAP. III.

AND I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, *even* as unto babes in Christ.

2 I have fed you with [i] milk, and not with meat: [k] for hitherto ye were not able *to bear it*, neither yet now are ye able.

3 For ye are yet carnal: for [m] whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and ‖divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk [n] as men?

4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I *am* of Apollos; are ye not carnal?

5 Who then is Paul, and who *is* Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, [o] even as the Lord gave to every man?

6 I [p] have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

7 So then [q] neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.

8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and [r] every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.

9 For [s] we are labourers together with God: ye are God's §husbandry, *ye are* [t] God's building.

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But [u] let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

11 For other foundation can no man lay than [x] that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day [a] shall declare it, because [b] it [c] shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, [d] he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; [e] yet so as by fire.

16 Know [f] ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

17 If any man [g]defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are.

18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, [r] He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.

20 And again, [s] The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.

A. D. 59.

[a] 2 Co. 4. 5. 15.
[b] Mat. 16. 23.
[c] ch. 11. 3.
[d] Pr. 29. 5.
[e] or, *discerneth.*
[†] Lu. 12. 42. Tit. 1. 7.
[‡] or, *discerned.*
[f] Job 15. 8. Is. 40. 13.
[g] *shall.*
[h] Jno. 15. 15.
§ *day.* en. 3. 13.
[i] Job 9. 2. Ps. 130. 3. Ro. 3. 20
[k] He. 5. 12, 13. 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[l] Jno. 16. 12.
[m] Ro. 2. 1, 16.
[n] ch. 1. 11. 11. 18.
‖ or, *factions.*
[o] Ro. 2. 23. 2 Co. 5. 10.
[p] *according to man?*
[q] Ro. 12. 3, 6. 1 Pe. 4. 11.
[r] 2 Co. 10. 14, 15.
† *distinguisheth thee.*
[s] Jno. 3. 27.
[t] 2 Co. 12. 11. Ga. 6. 3.
[u] Re. 3. 17.
[x] Ps. 62. 12. Ro. 2. 6. Re. 22. 12.
[a] Ac. 15. 4. 2 Co. 6. 1.
[b] or, *as the last apostles, as.*
§ or, *tillage.*
[c] Ps. 44. 22. Ro. 8. 36.
[d] Ep. 2. 20. He. 3. 3, 4.
[e] He. 10. 33.
‖ *theatre.*
[f] 2 Ki. 9. 11. Ac. 17. 18
[g] 2 Co. 13. 9.
[h] 1 Pe. 3. 11.
[i] Is. 28. 16. Mat. 16. 18.
[k] Ac. 23. 2.
[l] 1 Th. 2. 9. 1 Ti. 4. 10.
[m] Mat. 5. 41. Lu. 23. 34.
[n] 1 Pe. 1. 7.
[o] Lu. 2. 35.
[p] *is.*
[q] Ro. 15. 20. Ga. 4. 19. Phile. 10.
[r] Jude 23.
[s] 2 Co. 6. 16. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[t] Phi 3. 17.
† or, *destroy.*
[u] Ac. 19. 22.
[x] ch. 16. 5. Ac. 19. 21. 2 Co. 1. 15, 23
[y] Job 5. 13.
[z] Ps. 94. 11.
[a] ch. 2. 4. 1 Th. 1. 5.

21 Therefore let no man glory in men. For [a] all things are your's;

22 Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are your's;

23 And [c] ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.

CHAP. IV.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, [d] and stewards of the mysteries of God.

2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

3 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's §judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

4 For I know nothing by myself; [h] yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.

5 Therefore [i] judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and [k] then shall every man have praise of God.

6 And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think *of men* above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.

7 For who [l] maketh thee to differ *from another?* and [m] what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive *it*, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received *it?*

8 Now ye are full, [n] now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you.

9 For I think that God hath set forth [o] us the apostles last, [p] as it were appointed to death: for [q] we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.

10 We *are* [r] fools for Christ's sake, but ye *are* wise in Christ; [s] we *are* weak, but ye *are* strong; ye *are* honourable, but we *are* despised.

11 Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and [t] are buffeted, and have no certain dwellingplace;

12 And [u] labour, working with our own hands: [x] being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:

13 Being defamed, we intreat: we are made as the filth of the world, *and are* the offscouring of all things unto this day.

14 I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you.

15 For though ye have ten thousand instructers in Christ, yet *have ye* not many fathers: for [a] in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

16 Wherefore I beseech you, [b] be ye followers of me.

17 For this cause have I sent unto you [c] Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways [d] which be in Christ, as I teach every where in every church.

18 Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.

19 But [e] I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power.

20 For [f] the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.

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21 What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and *in* the spirit of meekness?

CHAP. V.

IT is reported commonly *that there is* fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as [c] named among the Gentiles, [d] that one should have his father's wife.

2 And [e] ye are puffed up, and have not rather [f] mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you.

3 For [g] I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have [o] judged already, as though I were present, *concerning* him that hath so done this deed,

4 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, [h] with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,

5 To [i] deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

6 Your [j] glorying *is* not good. Know ye not that [k] a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even [l] Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

8 Therefore [m] let us keep [§] the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.

9 I wrote unto you in an epistle [n] not to company with fornicators:

10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go [o] out of the world.

11 But now I have written unto you not to keep company, [p] if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.

12 For what have I to do to judge [q] them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within?

13 But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

CHAP. VI.

DARE any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?

2 Do ye not know that [r] the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

3 Know ye not that we shall [s] judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

4 If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.

5 I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not [t] a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?

6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.

7 Now therefore there is utterly [u] a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. [v] Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather *suffer yourselves to* be defrauded?

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[a] 1 Th. 4. 6.
[b] He. 12. 14. Re. 22. 15.
[c] Ep. 5. 3.
[d] Le. 18. 8.
[e] ch. 4. 18.
[f] 2 Co. 7. 7, 10.
[g] Ep. 2. 2. 4. 22.
[h] ch. 1. 20. He. 10. 22.
[i] Col. 2. 5.
[o] or, *determined.*
† or, *profitable.*
[k] Jno. 20. 23.
[l] Job 2. 6. Ps. 109. 6.
1 Ti. 1. 20.
[m] 1 Th. 4. 3, 7.
[n] Ep. 5. 23.
[o] Ro. 8. 11.
[p] Ep. 1. 19, 20.
[q] Ja. 4. 16.
[r] ch. 15. 53. Ga. 5. 9.
2 Ti. 2. 17.
[s] ch. 12. 27. Ro. 12. 5.
[t] Is. 53. 7. Jno. 1. 29.
1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 5. 6, 12.
‡ or, *slain.*
[u] Ex. 12. 15. 13. 6. De. 16. 3.
§ or, *holyday.*
[x] Ge. 2. 24. Ep. 5. 31.
[y] Jno. 17. 21.. 23.
Ep. 4. 4.
[z] Ro. 6. 12, 13. He. 13. 4.
[a] Ep. 5. 11. 2 Th. 3. 14.
[b] Ro. 1. 24.
[c] 1 Th. 4. 4.
[d] ch. 3. 16. 2 Co. 6. 16.
[e] Jno. 17. 15. 1 Jno. 5. 19.
[f] Ro. 14. 7, 8.
[g] Mat. 18. 17. Ro. 16. 17. 2 Th. 3. 6, 14. 2 Jno. 10.
[h] Ac. 20. 28. 1 Pe. 1. 18, 19. 2 Pe. 2. 1. Re. 5. 9.
[i] Mar. 4. 11. Col. 4. 5. 1 Ti. 3. 7.
[j] Ex. 21. 10. 1 Pe. 3. 7.
[k] Ps. 49. 14. Da. 7. 22. Mat. 19. 28. Re. 20. 4.
[l] Joel 2. 16. Zec. 7. 3.
[m] 2 Pe. 2. 4. Jude 6.
[n] 1 Th. 3. 5.
[o] 2 Co. 8. 8. 11. 17.
[p] Ac. 26. 29.
[q] ch. 9. 5.
[r] ch. 12. 11. Mat. 19. 12.
[s] 1 Ti. 5. 14.
[t] Pr. 20. 22. Mat. 5. 39, 40 1 Th. 5. 15.
[u] Mat. 19. 6, 9.

8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, [v] and that *your* brethren.

9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: [w] neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And such were [x] some of you: [y] but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not † expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.

13 Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body *is* not for fornication, but [z] for the Lord; [a] and the Lord for the body.

14 And [b] God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us [c] by his own power.

15 Know ye not that [d] your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make *them* the members of an harlot? God forbid.

16 What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for [e] two, saith he, shall be one flesh.

17 But [f] he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

18 Flee [g] fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth [h] against his own body.

19 What? [i] know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, [k] and ye are not your own?

20 For [l] ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

CHAP. VII.

NOW concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: *It is* good for a man not to touch a woman.

2 Nevertheless, *to avoid* fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.

3 Let [a] the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband.

4 The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife.

5 Defraud [b] ye not one the other, except *it be* with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that [c] Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

6 But I speak this by permission, [d] *and* not of commandment.

7 For [e] I would that all men were [f] even as I myself. But [g] every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that.

8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.

9 But [h] if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.

10 And unto the married I command, *yet* not I, but the Lord, [i] Let not the wife depart from *her* husband:

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11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to *her* husband: and let not the husband put away *his* wife.

12 But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.

13 And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.

14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else [m] were your children unclean; but now are they holy.

15 But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such *cases:* but God hath called us [n] to [o] peace.

16 For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt [p] save *thy* husband? or [†] how knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt save *thy* wife?

17 But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. And [q] so ordain I in all churches.

18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in uncircumcision? [r] let him not be circumcised.

19 Circumcision [t] is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but [u] the keeping of the commandments of God.

20 Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.

21 Art thou called *being* a servant? care not for it: but if thou mayest be made free, use *it* rather.

22 For he that is called in the Lord, *being* a servant, is [x] the Lord's freeman: likewise also he that is called, *being* free, is [y] Christ's servant.

23 Ye [z] are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

24 Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.

25 Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment, as one [a] that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be [b] faithful.

26 I suppose therefore that this is good for the present [‖] distress, *I say*, that *it is* good for a man so to be.

27 Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

28 But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

29 But [c] this I say, brethren, the time *is* short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

31 And they that use this world, as not abusing *it*: for [d] the fashion of this world passeth away.

32 But I would have you without carefulness. [e] He that is unmarried careth for the things [‖] that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord:

33 But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please *his* wife.

34 There is difference *also* between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried [m] woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please *her* husband.

35 And this I speak for your own profit; not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction.

36 But if any man think that he behaveth himself uncomely toward his virgin, if she pass the flower of *her* age, and need so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them marry.

37 Nevertheless he that standeth stedfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath power over his own will, and hath so decreed in his heart that he will keep his virgin, doeth well.

38 So [e] then he that giveth *her* in marriage doeth well; but he that giveth *her* not in marriage doeth better.

39 The [x] wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; *only* in the Lord.

40 But she is happier if she so abide, after my judgment: and [h] I think also that I have the Spirit of God.

CHAP. VIII.

NOW [h] as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. [n] Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.

2 And [o] if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.

3 But if any man love God, [p] the same is known of him.

4 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that [q] an idol *is* nothing in the world, [n] and that *there is* none other God but one.

5 For though there be that are [r] called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,)

6 But [s] to us *there is but* one God, the Father, of whom *are* all things, and we [§] in him; and [n] one Lord Jesus Christ, [s] by whom *are* all things, and we by him.

7 Howbeit *there is* not in every man that knowledge: for some [d] with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat *it* as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.

8 But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, [e] are we the better; neither, if we eat not, [†] are we the worse.

9 But [t] take heed lest by any means this [‡] liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.

10 For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be [§] emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols;

11 And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?

12 But [u] when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.

13 Wherefore, [k] if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

CHAP. IX.

AM [l] I not an apostle? am I not free? have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? [n] are not ye my work in the Lord?

[m] Mal. 2. 15.
[n] *in peace.*
[o] Ro. 12. 18. 14. 19. He. 12. 14.
[p] He. 13. 4.
[q] 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[†] *what.*
[r] Ro. 7. 2.
[s] 2 Co. 6. 14.
[t] ch. 4. 17. 2 Co. 11. 28.
[u] 1 Th. 4. 8.
[x] Ac. 15. 1, &c. Ga. 5. 2.
[y] Ac. 15. 20, 29.
[z] Ga. 6. 15.
[a] Jno. 15. 14. 1 Jno. 2. 3. 3. 24.
[b] Ro. 14. 5, 10.
[c] ch. 13. 8, 9, 13. Ga. 6. 3. 1 Ti. 6. 4.
[d] Ex. 33. 12, 17. Nu. 1. 7. Mat. 7. 23. 2 Ti. 2. 19.
[e] Jno. 8. 36. Ro. 6. 18, 22. Phile. 16.
[x] *made free.*
[f] ch. 10. 19. Is. 41. 24.
[g] ch. 9. 21. Ga. 5. 13. Ep. 6. 6.
[h] 1 Pe. 2. 16.
[i] Is. 44. 6. Ep. 4. 6. 1 Ti. 2. 5.
[k] ch. 6. 20. Lu. 23. 42.
[l] Jno. 10. 34.
[m] Mal. 2. 10. Ep. 4. 6.
[n] 1 Ti. 1. 16.
[§] or, *for.*
[o] Jno. 13. 13. Ac. 2. 36. Phi. 2. 11.
[p] Jno. 1. 3. Col. 1. 6. He. 1. 2.
[q] ch. 4. 2. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[‖] or, *necessity.*
[d] ch. 10. 28, 29
[e] or, *have we the more.*
[†] or, *have we the less.*
[r] Ga. 5. 13.
[‡] or, *power.*
[s] Ro. 13. 11. 1 Pe. 4. 7. 2 Pe. 3. 8, 9.
[§] *edified.*
[t] Ps. 39. 6. Ja. 1. 10. 4. 14. 1 Pe. 4. 7. 1 Jno. 2. 17.
[u] Mat. 25. 40, 45.
[v] 1 Ti. 5. 5.
[x] 2 Co. 11. 29.
[‖] *of the.* ver. 34.
[l] Ac. 9. 15.
[m] Lu. 10. 40, &c.
[n] ch. 3. 6. 4. 15. 2 Co. 3. 3.

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2 If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for [a] the seal of mine apostleship are ye in the Lord.

3 Mine answer to them that do examine me is this,

4 Have we not power to eat and to drink?

5 Have we not power to lead about a sister, a [e] wife, as well as other apostles, and *as* [d] the brethren of the Lord, and [e] Cephas?

6 Or I only and Barnabas, have [f] not we power to forbear working?

7 Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? who [h] planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or who [i] feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock?

8 Say I these things as a man? or saith not the law the same also?

9 For it is written in the law of Moses, [m] Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?

10 Or saith he *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written: that [p] he that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope.

11 If [q] we have sown unto you spiritual things, *is it* a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?

12 If others be partakers of *this* power over you, *are* not we rather? Nevertheless we have not used this power; but suffer all things, [r] lest we should hinder the gospel of Christ.

13 Do [s] ye not know that they which minister about holy things ‖ live *of the things* of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?

14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that [t] they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

15 But [u] I have used none of these things: neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me: for *it were* better for me to die, than that any man should make my glorying void.

16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for [x] necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

17 For if I do this thing willingly, [y] I have a reward: but if against my will, [z] a dispensation *of the gospel* is committed unto me.

18 What is my reward then? *Verily* that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.

19 For though I be free from all *men*, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that [a] I might gain the more.

20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;

21 To [b] them that are without law, as without law, (not being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.

22 To [c] the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.

23 And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with *you*.

24 Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

25 And every man that [d] striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown; but we [e] an incorruptible.

26 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be [f] a castaway.

CHAP. X.

MOREOVER, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under [h] the cloud, and all passed through [i] the sea;

2 And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

3 And did all eat the same [k] spiritual meat;

4 And did all drink the same [l] spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that [m] followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

5 But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they [n] were overthrown in the wilderness.

6 Now these things were our † examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as [o] they also lusted.

7 Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, [p] The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

8 Neither [q] let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and [r] fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as [s] some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.

10 Neither murmur ye, as [t] some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of [u] the destroyer.

11 Now all these things happened unto them for ‖ ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, [x] upon whom the ends of the world are come.

12 Wherefore [y] let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

13 There hath no temptation taken you but [z] such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, [a] who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also [b] make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.

14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

15 I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.

16 The [c] cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

17 For [d] we *being* many are one bread, *and* one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.

18 Behold [e] Israel after the flesh: [f] are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?

19 What say I then? [g] that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing?

20 But *I say*, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils.

21 Ye [h] cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and [i] the cup of devils: ye cannot

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[a] Ep. 6. 12.
[b] 2 Co. 3. 2. 12. 12.
[c] Ro. 2. 10. 3. 11.
[e] or, *woman*.
[d] Mat. 13. 55. Mar. 6. 3. Ga. 1. 19.
[e] Mat. 8. 14.
[f] 2 Th. 3. 8, 9.
[g] Je. 6. 30. 2 Co. 13. 5, 6.
[h] De. 20. 6. Pr. 27. 18.
[i] Jno. 21. 15.
[k] 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[l] Ex. 13. 21. Ps. 105. 39.
[m] Ex. 14. 22. Nu. 33. 8. Jos. 4. 23.
[n] De. 25. 4.
[o] 1 Ti. 5. 18.
[p] Ex. 16. 15, 35. Ps. 78. 24.
[q] Ex. 17. 6. Nu. 20. 11. Ps. 78. 15.
† or, *went with them*.
De. 9. 21. Ps. 105. 41.
[p] 2 Ti. 2. 6.
[r] Nu. 14. 20. He. 3. 17.
[s] Ro. 15. 27. Ga. 6. 6.
‡ *Nurses.*
[t] Nu. 11. 4, &c.
[u] Ex. 32. 6.
[x] 2 Co. 11. 12.
[w] Nu. 5. 9, 10. 18. 8, 20.
[y] Re. 2. 14.
§ or, *feed*.
[z] Nu. 25. 1, 9.
[a] Ex. 17. 2, 7. Nu. 21. 5, 6.
[b] Ga. 6. 6.
[c] 1 Ti. 5. 17.
[d] Nu. 14. 2.
[e] ch. 4. 12. Ac. 19. 20. 20. 34.
[f] Ex. 12. 23. 1 Ch. 21. 15.
‖ or, *types*.
[f] 1 Jno. 2. 18.
[g] Ro. 1. 14.
[h] Ro. 11. 20.
[i] ch. 3. 8, 14.
[e] or, *moderate*.
[k] Ps. 125. 3. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[l] ch. 4. 1. Col. 1. 25.
[m] Je. 29. 11.
[n] Mat. 28. 26 ..28.
[o] Mat. 18. 15. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[p] Ro. 13. 5.
[r] Ro. 2. 12, 14.
[s] ch. 7. 22.
[t] Ro. 4. 12. Ga. 6. 16.
[u] Le. 3. 3. 7. 15.
[e] Ro. 15. 1. 2 Co. 11. 29.
[w] ch. 8. 4.
[y] 2 Co 6. 15, 16.
[z] He. 12. 1.
[a] De. 32. 36.

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be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

22 Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? [m] are we stronger than he?

23 All [b] things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.

24 Let [d] no man seek his own, but every man another's *wealth*.

25 Whatsoever [f] is sold in the shambles, *that* eat, asking no question for conscience sake:

26 For *f* the earth *is* the Lord's, and the fulness thereof.

27 If any of them that believe not bid *you to a feast*, and ye be disposed to go; [f] whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake.

28 But if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not *f* for his sake that shewed it, and for conscience sake: for [m] the earth *is* the Lord's, and the fulness thereof:

29 Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another *man's* conscience?

30 For if I by [§] grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that [f] for which I give thanks?

31 Whether [f] therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

32 Give [t] none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the [†] Gentiles, nor to [u] the church of God:

33 Even as I please all *men* in all *things*, not seeking mine own profit, but the *profit* of many, that they may be saved.

CHAP. XI.

BE [v] ye followers of me, even as I also *am* of Christ.

2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the [‖] ordinances, as I delivered *them* to you.

3 But I would have you know, that the [z] head of every man is Christ; and the [a] head of the woman *is* the man; and the [b] head of Christ *is* God.

4 Every man praying or prophesying, having *his* head covered, dishonoureth his head.

5 But [d] every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with *her* head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were [e] shaven.

6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

7 For a man indeed ought not to cover *his* head, forasmuch as [h] he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

8 For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.

9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

10 For this cause ought the woman [k] to have [‡] power on *her* head because of the angels.

11 Nevertheless [m] neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.

12 For as the woman *is* of the man, even so *is* the man also by the woman; [f] but all things of God.

13 Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for *her* hair is given her for a [‡] covering.

16 But [c] if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

17 Now in this that I declare *unto you* I praise *you* not, that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse.

18 For first of all, when ye come together in the church, [c] I hear that there be [†] divisions among you; and I partly believe it.

19 For [h] there must be also [‡] heresies among you, [i] that they which are approved may be made manifest among you.

20 When ye come together therefore into one place, [§] *this* is not to eat the Lord's supper.

21 For in eating every one taketh before *other* his own supper: and one is hungry, and [e] another is drunken.

22 What? have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye [e] the church of God, and [f] shame them that [e] have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise *you* not.

23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, [e] That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread:

24 And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do [‖] in remembrance of me.

25 After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me.

26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, [§] ye do shew the Lord's death [v] till he come.

27 Wherefore [y] whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

28 But [c] let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup.

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh [*] damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

31 For *f* if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

32 But when we are judged, [t] we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

33 Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another.

34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto [†] condemnation. And the rest [c] will I set in order when I come.

CHAP. XII.

NOW [i] concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

2 Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these [e] dumb idols, even as ye were led.

3 Wherefore I give you to understand, [r] that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus [§] accursed: and [e] *that* no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

A. D. 59.

[a] Exc. 22. 14.
[b] ch. 6. 12.
[c] or, *veil.*
[d] 1 Ti. 6. 4.
[e] Ro. 15. 1, 2. Phi. 2. 4, 21.
[f] 1 Ti. 4. 4.
[g] Ps. 50. 12.
[h] ch. 1. 10...12.
[i] or, *schisms.*
[k] Mat. 18. 7. Ac. 20. 30.
[l] or, *sects.*
[m] Lu. 10. 7.
[n] Lu. 2. 35. 1 Jno. 2. 19.
[o] or, *ye cannot eat.*
[p] ch. 8. 10, 12.
[q] De. 10. 14. Ps. 24. 1.
[r] 2 Pe. 2. 13. Jude 12
[s] ch. 10. 32.
[t] or, *thanksgiving.*
[u] Ja. 2. 6.
[v] or, *are poor?*
[w] Ro. 14. 6.
[x] Col 3. 17.
[y] 1 Pe. 4. 11.
[z] Mat. 26. 26.
[a] 2 Co. 6. 3.
[b] *Greeks.*
[c] Ac. 20. 28. 1 Ti. 3. 5.
[d] or, *for a.*
[e] Ep. 5. 1.
[f] or, *shew ye.*
[g] or, *traditions.* 2 Th. 2. 15. Jno. 14. 2.
[h] Ac. 21. 22. Ac. 1. 11.
[i] Jno. 13. 27.
[k] Ep. 5. 23.
[l] Ge. 3. 16. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[m] ch. 15. 27, 28. Jno. 14. 28. Phi 2. 7...9.
[n] 2 Co. 13. 5.
[o] Ac. 21. 9.
[p] or, *judgment,* Ro. 13. 2.
[q] De. 21. 12.
[r] Ps. 32. 5. 1 Jno. 1. 9.
[s] He. 12. 5...11.
[t] Ge. 1 26, 27
[u] or, *judgment.*
[v] Tit. 1. 5.
[w] Ge. 24. 64.
[x] That is, *a covering, in sign that she is under the power of her husband.*
[y] ch. 14. 1, 37.
[z] Ga. 3. 28.
[a] Ep. 3. 1, 12. 1 Pe. 4. 3.
[b] Ps. 115. 5.
[c] Ro. 11. 36.
[d] Mar. 9. 39. 1 Jno. 4. 2, 3.
[e] or, *anathema.*
[f] Jno. 15. 26.

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4 Now [a] there are diversities of gifts, but [b] the same Spirit.

5 And [c] there are differences of [†] administrations, but the same Lord.

6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God [d] which worketh all in all.

7 But [e] the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

8 For to one is given by the Spirit [f] the word of wisdom; to another [h] the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

9 To [i] another faith by the same Spirit; to another [l] the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

10 To [m] another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; [n] to another discerning of spirits; to another [p] *divers* kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, [q] dividing to every man severally as he will.

12 For [r] as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: [s] so also is Christ.

13 For [t] by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether *we be* Jews or ‖ Gentiles, whether *we be* bond or free; and [u] have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

14 For the body is not one member, but many.

15 If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

16 And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

17 If the whole body *were* an eye, where *were* the hearing? If the whole *were* hearing, where *were* the smelling?

18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

19 And if they were all one member, where *were* the body?

20 But now *are they* many members, yet but one body.

21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

23 And those *members* of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we [‡] bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely *parts* have more abundant comeliness.

24 For our comely *parts* have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that *part* which lacked:

25 That there should be no ‖ schism in the body; but *that* the members should have the same care one for another.

26 And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

27 Now [l] ye are the body of Christ, and [m] members in particular.

28 And God hath set some in the church, first [n] apostles, secondarily [p] prophets, thirdly teachers, after that [r] miracles, then [s] gifts of healings, [t] helps, [u] governments, [v] diversities of tongues.

29 *Are* all apostles? *are* all prophets? *are* all teachers? *are* all [v] workers of miracles?

30 Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

31 But [d] covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

CHAP. XIII.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become *as* sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

2 And though I have *the gift of* [k] prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, [a] so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

3 And [r] though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

4 Charity [t] suffereth long, *and* is kind; charity envieth not; charity [‡] vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, [v] seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

6 Rejoiceth [a] not in iniquity, but [a] rejoiceth [§] in the truth;

7 Beareth [b] all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

8 Charity never faileth: but whether *there be* prophecies, they shall fail; whether *there be* tongues, they shall cease; whether *there be* knowledge, it shall vanish away.

9 For [d] we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

10 But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I [e] thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12 For [e] now we see through a glass, [†] darkly; but then *face* to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these *is* charity.

CHAP. XIV.

FOLLOW after charity, and [f] desire spiritual *gifts*, [h] but rather that ye may prophesy.

2 For he that [i] speaketh in an *unknown* tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man [§] understandeth *him*; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men *to* [k] edification, and exhortation, and comfort.

4 He that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.

5 I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater *is* he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.

6 Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by [a] revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine?

7 And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the [†] sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?

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[a] Ro.12.4,&c.
[b] or, *powers*.
[c] Ep. 4. 4.
[d] Ro. 12.6..8.
[†] or, *ministeries*.
[d] ch. 14. 1. 39.
[e] Ep. 1. 22.
[f] ch. 14. 26.
[g] ch. 2. 6, 7.
[h] 2 Co. 8. 7.
[i] Mat. 17. 19, 20.
2 Co. 4. 13.
[k] ch. 12.8..10, 28.
14.1,&c.
Mat. 7. 22.
[l] Mar. 16. 18.
Ja. 5. 14.
[m] Ga. 3. 5.
[n] Lu. 17. 6.
[o] 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[p] Ac. 2. 4. 5. 10. 46.
[q] Mat. 6. 1,2.
[r] ch. 7. 7.
2 Co. 10. 13.
He. 2. 4.
[s] Pr. 10. 12.
1 Pe. 4. 8.
[‡] or, *is not rash*.
[t] Ep. 4. 16.
[u] ch. 10. 24.
Phi. 2. 4.
[x] Ga. 3. 16.
[y] Ro. 6. 5.
[z] Ps. 10. 3.
Ro. 1. 32.
[a] 2 Jno. 4.
[§] or, *with the truth*.
‖ *Greeks*.
[b] Ro. 15. 1.
Ga. 6. 2.
2 Ti. 2. 24.
[c] Jno. 6. 63. 7.37..39.
[d] ch. 8. 2.
[e] or, *reasoned*
[e] 2 Co. 3. 18. 5. 7.
Phi. 3. 12.
[†] *in a riddle*.
[f] Mat. 18. 10.
1 Jno. 3. 2.
[g] ch. 12. 31.
[h] Nu.11.29,39
[i] Ac. 2. 4. 10. 46.
[‡] or, *put on*.
[§] *heareth*.
[k] 1 Ti. 1. 4.
‖ or, *division*.
[l] Ro. 12. 5.
Ep. 1. 23. 4. 12.
Col. 1. 24.
[m] Ep. 5. 30.
[n] Ep. 1. 17.
[o] Ep. 2. 20. 3. 5.
[p] Ac. 13. 1.
Ro. 12. 6.
[r] Jno. 14. 12.
[s] ver. 9.
[t] Nu. 11. 17.
[u] Ro. 12. 8.
1 Ti. 5. 17.
He.13.17,24.
[v] or, *kinds*, ver. 10
[†] or, *tunes*.

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8 For [a] if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?

9 So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words [b] easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air.

10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification.

11 Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh *shall be* a barbarian unto me.

12 Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of [‡] spiritual *gifts*, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.

13 Wherefore let him that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue pray that he may interpret.

14 For if I pray in an *unknown* tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: [c] I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing [d] with the understanding also.

16 Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen [e] at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?

17 For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.

18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:

19 Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that *by my voice* I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an *unknown* tongue.

20 Brethren, [f] be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice [g] be ye children, but in understanding be [h] men.

21 In the law it is [i] written, With *men of* other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.

22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying *serveth* not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in *those that are* unlearned, or unbelievers, [k] will they not say that ye are mad?

24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, or *one* unlearned, he is convinced of all, he is judged of all:

25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on *his* face he will worship God, and report that [l] God is in you of a truth.

26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, [m] hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. [n] Let all things be done unto edifying.

27 If any man speak in an *unknown* tongue, *let it be* by two, or at the most *by* three, and *that* by course; and let one interpret.

28 But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him speak to himself, and to God.

29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.

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[a] Nu. 10. 9. Jos. 6. 4...20. 2 Co. 1. 12.
[b] 1 Th. 5. 1...20
[c] *significant.*
[d] 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[e] *tumult*, or, *unquietness.*
[f] ch. 11. 16.
[g] 1 Ti. 2. 11, 12.
[h] Ep. 5. 22. Col. 3. 18. Tit. 2. 5. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[i] Ge. 3. 16.
‡ *spirits.*
[k] 2 Co. 10. 7. 1 Jno. 4. 6.
[l] Ep. 5. 19. Col. 3. 16.
[m] Ps. 67. 7.
[n] ch. 12. 31.
[o] Col. 2. 5.
[p] ch. 11. 34.
[q] Ro. 5. 2.
§ or, *hold fast.*
‖ *by what speech.*
[r] Ge. 3. 4.
[s] Ps. 22. 15, &c. Is. 53. 5, 6. Da. 9. 26. Zec. 13. 7. Lu. 24. 25, 46
[t] ch. 3. 1. Mat. 11. 25. Ro. 16. 19. Ep. 4. 14. He. 5. 12, 13.
[u] Mat. 18. 3. Ep. 5. 1, 2. 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[v] *perfect*, or, *of a ripe age.* ch. 2. 6.
[w] Ps. 2. 7. 16. 10. Is. 53. 10. Ho. 6. 2. Ac. 2. 25...31. 1 Pe. 1. 11.
[x] Is. 28. 11, 12.
[y] Lu. 24. 34.
[z] Jno. 20. 19, 26. Ac. 10. 41.
[a] Lu. 24. 50. Ac. 1. 3, 4.
[b] Ac. 9. 4, 17.
† or, *an abortive.*
[c] Ep. 3. 8.
[d] Ac. 2. 13. Ac. 8. 3. 9. 1. Ga. 1. 13. Phi. 3. 6. 1 Ti. 1. 13.
[e] Ps. 115. 1. Ro. 15. 18, 19. 2 Co. 3. 5. Ga. 2. 8. Phi. 2. 13.
[f] Is. 45. 14. Zec. 8. 23.
[g] ch. 12. 6...10.
[h] 2 Co. 12. 19. Ep. 4. 12.
[i] 1 Th. 4. 14.
[k] Ac. 2. 24, 32. 4. 10, 33. 13. 30.

30 If *any thing* be revealed to another that sitteth by, [i] let the first hold his peace.

31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.

32 And [k] the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.

33 For God is not *the author* of † confusion, but of peace, [l] as in all churches of the saints.

34 Let [m] your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but [n] *they are commanded* to be under obedience, as also saith the [o] law.

35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

36 What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?

37 If [p] any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

38 But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.

39 Wherefore, brethren, [q] covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.

40 Let [r] all things be done decently and in order.

CHAP. XV.

MOREOVER, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and [s] wherein ye stand;

2 By which also ye are saved, if ye § keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless [t] ye have believed in vain.

3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins [u] according to the scriptures;

4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day [v] according to the scriptures:

5 And [w] that he was seen of Cephas, then [x] of the twelve:

6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

7 After that, he was seen of James; then [y] of all the apostles.

8 And [z] last of all he was seen of me also, as of † one born out of due time.

9 For I am [a] the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because [b] I persecuted the church of God.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: [c] yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

11 Therefore whether *it were* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, [d] then is Christ not risen:

14 And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.

15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because [e] we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.

16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:

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17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; [a] ye are yet in your sins.

18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

19 If [b] in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

20 But now [c] is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become [d] the firstfruits of them that slept.

21 For [e] since by man *came* death, [f] by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

23 But every [g] man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up [r] the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

25 For he must reign, [i] till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

26 The [k] last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.

27 For he [l] hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, All things are put under *him, it is* manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.

28 And [m] when all things shall be subdued unto him, then [n] shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

29 Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead?

30 And why stand we in jeopardy every hour?

31 I protest by † your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, [o] I die daily.

32 If † after the manner of men [p] I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? [q] let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die.

33 Be not deceived: [r] evil communications corrupt good manners.

34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak *this* to your shame.

35 But some *man* will say, [s] How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

36 *Thou* fool, [t] that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:

37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain:*

38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

39 All flesh *is* not the same flesh: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds.

40 *There are* also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another.

41 *There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory.

42 So [u] also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:

43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

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[a] Ro. 4. 25.
[b] 1 Ti. 3. 13.
[c] Ge. 3. 7.
[d] Ro. 5. 14.
[e] Jno. 5. 21. 6.33,&c. Col. 3. 4.
[f] 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[g] Ac. 26. 23. Col. 1. 18. Re. 1. 5.
[h] Ro.5.19,17.
[i] Jno. 11. 25. Ro. 6. 23.
[k] Ge. 3. 19. Jno. 3. 31.
[l] Jno. 3. 13.
[m] 1 Th. 4. 15,. 17.
[n] He. 12. 10. 2 Pe. 1. 4. 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[o] Ge. 5. 3.
[p] Ro. 8. 29. 2 Co. 3. 18. 4. 11.
[r] Da.7 14,27.
[s] Mat. 16. 17. Jno. 3. 3, 5.
[t] Ps. 110. 1. Ac. 2.34,35. Ep. 1. 22. He. 1. 13. 10. 13.
[u] 2 Ti. 1. 10. Re. 20. 14.
[w] Phi. 3. 21.
[y] Ps. 8. 6. Mat. 28. 18. He. 2. 8.
[z] 1 Pe. 3. 22.
[a] Zec. 9. 14. Mat. 24. 31. Jno. 5. 25.
[b] Phi. 3. 21.
[c] ch. 3. 23. 11. 3.
[d] Is. 26. 19. 2 Co. 5. 4.
[e] Is. 25. 8. He. 2.14,15. Re. 20. 14.
[f] Ho. 13. 14.
[g] or, *hell.*
† Some read, *our.*
[h] Ro. 4. 15. 5. 13. 7. 5, 13.
[i] ch. 4. 9. Ro. 8. 36. 2Co.4.10,11. 11. 23.
‡ or, to speak *after the manner of men.*
[k] 2 Co. 1. 8.
[l] Ro. 7. 25.
[m] 1 Jno 5.4,5.
[n] Ec. 2. 24. Is. 22. 13. 56. 12.
[o] 2 Pe. 3. 14.
[p] ch. 5. 6.
[q] ch. 3. 8.
[r] Eze. 37. 3.
[s] Ro. 15 36.
[t] Jno. 12. 24.
[u] Ac. 20. 7. Re. 1. 10.
[w] 2 Co. 8. 19.
§ *gift.*
2 Co. 8. 4, 6.
[x] Ac. 19. 21.
[y] Da. 12. 3. Mat. 13. 43.
[z] Phi. 2.20,22.

44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

45 And so it is written, The first man Adam [u] was made a living soul; [x] the last Adam *was made* [y] a quickening spirit.

46 Howbeit that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

47 The [z] first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* [a] the Lord from heaven.

48 As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: [b] and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly.

49 And [c] as we have borne the image of the earthy, [d] we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

50 Now this I say, brethren, that [e] flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, [f] but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: [g] for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and [h] this mortal *must* put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, [i] Death is swallowed up in victory.

55 O [k] death, where *is* thy sting? O [l] grave, where *is* thy victory?

56 The sting of death *is* sin; and [m] the strength of sin *is* the law.

57 But [n] thanks *be* to God, which giveth us [o] the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, [p] my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know [q] that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

CHAP. XVI.

NOW concerning [r] the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye.

2 Upon [s] the first *day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as *God* hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

3 And when I come, [t] whomsoever ye shall approve by *your* letters, them will I send to bring your § liberality unto Jerusalem.

4 And if it be meet that I go also, they shall go with me.

5 Now I will come unto you, [u] when I shall pass through Macedonia: for I do pass through Macedonia.

6 And it may be that I will abide, yea, and winter with you, that ye may bring me on my journey whithersoever I go.

7 For I will not see you now by the way; but I trust to tarry a while with you, if the Lord permit.

8 But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost.

9 For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and *there are* many adversaries.

10 Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: [w] for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also *do.*

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11 Let [a] no man therefore despise him: but conduct him forth [b] in peace, that he may come unto me: for I look for him with the brethren.

12 As touching *our* brother Apollos, I greatly desired him to come unto you with the brethren: but his will was not at all to come at this time; but he will come when he shall have convenient time.

13 Watch [c] ye, [f] stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, [g] be strong.

14 Let all your things be done with charity.

15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and *that* they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)

16 That [m] ye submit yourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with *us*, and [n] laboureth.

17 I am glad of the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus: [o] for

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[a] 1 Ti. 4. 12.
[b] Ac. 15. 33.
[c] Col. 4. 8.
[d] 1 Th. 5. 12. Phi. 2. 29.
[e] Mat. 24. 42. 25. 13. 1 Th. 5. 6. 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[f] Phi. 1. 27. 4. 1. 1 Th. 3. 8. 2 Th. 2. 15.
[g] Ep. 6. 10. Col. 1. 11. 1 Pe. 4. 8.
[h] Col. 4. 18.
[i] Ep. 6. 24.
[k] Ga. 1. 8, 9.
[l] Jude 14, 15.
[m] He. 13. 17.
[n] He. 6. 10.
[o] Phi. 2. 30. Philem. 13.

that which was lacking on your part they have supplied.

18 For [p] they have refreshed my spirit and your's: therefore [d] acknowledge ye them that are such.

19 The churches of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.

20 All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.

21 The [h] salutation of *me* Paul with mine own hand.

22 If any man [i] love not the Lord Jesus Christ, [k] let him be Anathema Maran-atha.

23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you.

24 My love *be* with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

¶ The first *epistle* to the Corinthians was written from Philippi by Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus, and Timotheus.

The Second Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the CORINTHIANS.

Written to confirm the Christians at Corinth, and vindicate his own character.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, [a] an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy *our* brother, unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:

2 Grace [d] *be* to you and peace from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 Blessed [f] *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble by the comfort, wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

5 For as [i] the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

6 And whether we be afflicted, [l] *it is* for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation.

7 And our hope of you *is* stedfast, knowing, that [s] as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so *shall ye be* also of the consolation.

8 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of [t] our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:

9 But we had the [u] sentence of death in ourselves, that we should [v] not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead:

10 Who [y] delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver *us*;

11 Ye also [z] helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift *bestowed* upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.

12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and [a] godly sincerity, [d] not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.

13 For we write none other things unto you, than what ye read or acknowledge;

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[a] Col. 1. 1.
[b] ch. 5. 12.
[c] Phi. 2. 16. 4. 1. 1 Th 2.19,20
[d] Ro. 1. 7. Philem. 3.
[e] 1 Co. 4. 19.
[f] Ep. 1. 3. 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[g] Ro. 1. 11.
[h] or, *grace*.
[i] 1 Co. 16.5,6. ch. 4. 10 Ac 9. 4. Col. 1. 24.
[k] ch. 10. 2.
[l] ch. 4. 15.
[t] or, *preaching*.
[z] or, *is wrought*.
[m] He. 13. 8.
[n] Ro. 15. 8, 9.
[o] Ro. 8. 17. 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[p] Ac. 19. 23. 1 Co. 15. 32. 16. 9.
[r] 1 Jno. 2. 20, 27.
[s] Ep. 1. 13, 14. 4. 30. 2 Ti. 2. 19. Re. 2. 17.
[t] ch. 5. 5.
[u] or, *answer*.
[v] ch. 12. 20. 1 Co. 4. 21.
[w] Je. 17. 5, 7.
[x] 1 Co. 3. 5. 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[y] 2 Pe. 2. 9
[z] Ro. 11. 30. 1 Co. 15. 1.
[a] Ro. 15. 30. Phi. 1. 19. Philem. 22.
[b] ch. 13. 10.
[c] ch. 4. 2.
[d] 1 Co. 2. 4, 13.
[e] Ga. 5. 10.

and I trust ye shall acknowledge even to the end;

14 As also ye have acknowledged us in part, [b] that we are your rejoicing, even as [c] ye also *are* our's in the day of the Lord Jesus.

15 And in this confidence [e] I was minded to come unto you before, that ye might have [f] a second [g] benefit;

16 And to pass by you into Macedonia, and [h] to come again out of Macedonia unto you, and of you to be brought on my way toward Judæa.

17 When I therefore was thus minded, did I use lightness? or the things that I purpose, do I purpose [k] according to the flesh, that with me there should be yea yea, and nay nay?

18 But *as* God *is* true, our [t] word toward you was not yea and nay.

19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, even by me and Silvanus and Timotheus, was not yea and nay, [m] but in him was yea.

20 For [n] all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and [r] hath anointed us, *is* God;

22 Who [s] hath also sealed us, and given [t] the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

23 Moreover I call God for a record upon my soul, [u] that to spare you I came not as yet unto Corinth.

24 Not for [x] that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy: for [y] by faith ye stand.

CHAP. II.

BUT I determined this with myself, [b] that I would not come again to you in heaviness.

2 For if I make you sorry, who is he then that maketh me glad, but the same which is made sorry by me?

3 And I wrote this same unto you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow from them of whom I ought to rejoice; [c] having confidence in you all, that my joy is *the joy* of you all.

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4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; [a] not that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly unto you.

5 But [b] if any have caused grief, he hath not [c] grieved me, but in part: that I may not overcharge you all.

6 Sufficient to such a man *is* this [†]punishment, which *was inflicted* [d] of many.

7 So *I* that contrariwise ye *ought* rather to forgive *him*, and comfort *him*, lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow.

8 Wherefore I beseech you that ye would confirm *your* love toward him.

9 For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be [e] obedient in all things.

10 To whom ye forgive any thing, I *forgive* also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave *it*, for your sakes *forgave I it* in the [‡]person of Christ;

11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

12 Furthermore, [m] when I came to Troas to *preach* Christ's gospel, and [n] a door was opened unto me of the Lord,

13 I had no rest in my spirit, because I found not Titus my brother: but taking my leave of them, I went from thence into Macedonia.

14 Now thanks *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest [p] the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

15 For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, [r] in them that are saved, and in them that perish:

16 To [s] the one *we are* the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. And [t] who *is* sufficient for these things?

17 For we are not as many, which [u] corrupt [v] the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we [†] in Christ.

CHAP. III.

DO we begin again to commend ourselves? or need we, as some *others*, [a] epistles of commendation to you, or *letters* of commendation from you?

2 Ye [d] are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:

3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ [e] ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but [h] in fleshy tables of the heart.

4 And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:

5 Not [i] that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but [m] our sufficiency *is* of God;

6 Who also hath made us able ministers of [n] the new testament; not [p] of the letter, but of the spirit: for [r] the letter killeth, but [s] the spirit ‖ giveth life.

7 But if the ministration of death, [u] written *and* engraven in stones, was glorious, [v] so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which *glory* was to be done away:

8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

9 For [y] if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth.

11 For if that which is done away *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is* glorious.

12 Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great [*] plainness of speech:

13 And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to [a] the end of that which is abolished:

14 But [b] their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which *vail* is done away in Christ.

15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.

16 Nevertheless [c] when it shall turn to the Lord, [d] the vail shall be taken away.

17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty.

18 But we all, with open face beholding [f] as in a glass the glory of the Lord, [m] are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even as* [§] by the Spirit of the Lord.

CHAP. IV.

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not;

2 But have renounced the hidden things of [‖] dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

3 But if our gospel be hid, [r] it is hid to them that are lost:

4 In whom [t] the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, [x] who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

6 For God, [z] who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, [a] hath [b] shined in our hearts, to *give* [b] the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, [c] that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 *We are* [f] troubled on every side, yet not distressed; *we are* perplexed, but not [§] in despair;

9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

10 Always [i] bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, [k] that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

11 For we which live [m] are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

12 So then [t] death worketh in us, but life in you.

13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, [x] I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

14 Knowing that [y] he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present *us* with you.

15 For all things *are* for your sakes, that [z] the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

[a] ch. 7. 8, 9, 12.
[b] 1 Co. 5. 1.
[c] Ga. 4. 12.
[*] or, *boldness*
[†] or, *censure*.
[d] 1 Co. 5. 4, 5. 1 Ti. 5. 20.
[e] Ro. 10. 4.
[f] Ga. 6. 1.
[g] Is. 6. 10. Jno. 12. 40.
[h] Ro. 11. 23, 26
[i] Phi. 2. 12. 2 Th. 3. 14.
[k] Is. 25. 7.
[‡] or, *right*.
[l] 1 Co. 13. 12.
[m] Ro. 8. 29. 1 Co. 15. 49.
[§] or, *of the Lord the Spirit*.
[n] Ac. 16. 8. 20. 6.
[o] 1 Co. 16. 9.
[‖] *shame*, Ro. 1. 16.
[p] Ca. 1. 3.
[r] 2 Th. 2. 10
[s] 1 Co. 1. 18.
[t] Jno. 12. 31.
[u] Lu. 2. 34. Jno. 9. 39. 1 Pe. 2. 7, 8.
[v] 1 Co. 15. 10.
[w] Jno. 1. 18. Phi. 2. 6. Col. 1. 15. He. 1. 3.
[*] or, *deal deceitfully with*.
[y] 2 Pe. 2. 3.
[†] or, *of*.
[z] Ge. 1. 3.
[‡] *is he who hath*.
[a] 2 Pe. 1. 19.
[b] 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[c] Ac. 18. 27.
[d] 1 Co. 9. 2.
[e] 1 Co. 2. 5.
[f] ch. 7. 5.
[g] 1 Co. 3. 5.
[§] or, *altogether without help*, or, *means*.
[h] Pe. 40. 8. Eze 36. 26. He. 8. 10.
[i] 1 Co. 15. 31.
[k] Ro. 8. 17.
[l] Jno. 15. 5.
[m] Phi. 2. 13.
[n] Ps. 44. 22. Ro. 8. 36. 1 Co. 15. 31, 49
[o] Je. 31. 31. He. 8. 6, 8.
[p] Ro. 2. 27, 29.
[r] Ro. 3. 20. 7. 9, 11. Ga. 3. 10
[s] Jno. 6. 63. Ro. 8. 2.
[‖] or, *quickeneth*.
[t] ch. 13. 9.
[u] Ex. 34. 1, 28.
[v] Ex. 34. 30
[w] Ps. 116. 10.
[y] Ro. 8. 11. 1 Co. 6. 14.
[z] ch. 1. 11.

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16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet [b] the inward *man* is renewed day by day.

17 For [c] our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory;

18 While [d] we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen *are* temporal; but the things which are not seen *are* eternal.

CHAP. V.

FOR we know that if [e] our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2 For in this [f] we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:

3 If so be that [g] being clothed we shall not be found naked.

4 For we that are in *this* tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but [h] clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

5 Now [i] he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing *is* God, who also [k] hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.

6 Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

7 (For [l] we walk by faith, not by sight:)

8 We are confident, *I say*, and [m] willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

9 Wherefore we [n] labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.

10 For [o] we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; [p] that every one may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.

11 Knowing therefore [q] the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.

12 For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to *answer* them which glory ‖ in appearance, and not in heart.

13 For whether we be beside ourselves, *it is* to God: or whether we be sober, *it is* for your cause.

14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that [s] if one died for all, then were all dead:

15 And *that* he died for all, [t] that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

16 Wherefore [u] henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, [v] yet now henceforth know we *him* no more.

17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, [w] *he is* [x] a new creature: [y] old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

18 And all things *are* of God, [z] who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

19 To wit, that [a] God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath [b] committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

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[a] Mal. 2. 7. Ep. 6. 20.
[b] Ro. 7. 22.
[c] Mat. 5. 12.
[d] Is.33.6,5,12. Ga. 3. 13. 1Pe.2.22,24.
[e] Ro. 8. 24. He. 11. 1.
[f] Ro. 8. 19. 10. 2.
[g] He. 12. 15.
[h] Is. 49. 8.
[i] Job 4. 19.
[k] Ro. 8. 23.
[l] *commending*, ch.4.2.
[m] Re. 3. 18.
[n] ch.11 23,&c
† or, *in tossings to and fro.*
[o] 1 Co. 15. 53, 54.
[p] Is. 29. 23.
[q] eh. 1. 22. Ep. 1. 14.
[r] 1 Co. 2. 4.
[s] Ep. 6. 11,13. 2 Ti. 4. 7.
[t] 1 Co. 13. 12.
[u] Phi. 1. 23.
[v] ch. 1. 9. 1 Co. 4. 9.
[x] Ps. 116. 15.
‡ or, *endeavour.*
[y] Mat. 25. 31, 32. Ro. 14. 10.
[z] Ro. 2. 6. Re. 22. 12.
[a] ch. 7. 1.
[b] ch. 12. 15.
[c] Job 31. 23. He. 10. 31.
[d] 1 Co. 4. 14.
[e] De. 7. 2, 3. 1 Co. 5. 9.
[f] 1 Ki. 18. 21. 1 Co. 10. 21. Ep. 5. 7, 11.
§ *in the face.*
[g] 1 Co. 3. 16. 6. 19. Ep. 2.21,22. He. 3. 6.
[h] Ro. 5. 15.
[i] Ex. 29. 45. Je. 31. 33. Eze. 37. 26, &c. Zec. 8. 8.
[k] Ro. 6.11,12. 1 Pe. 4. 2.
[l] Is. 52. 11. Re. 18. 4.
[m] Mat. 13. 30. Jno. 15. 14.
[n] 1 Jno. 4. 63.
[o] Je. 31. 1, 9. Re. 21. 7.
‖ or, let him be.
[p] Ge. 5. 6. 6. 15.
[r] Is.43.18,19 65. 17. Re. 21. 5.
[s] 1 Jno. 3. 3.
[t] 1 Jno. 2. 2.
[u] Ro. 3 24,25.
[v] Ac. 20. 33.
[x] *put in us.*
[z] ch. 6. 11,12.

20 Now then we are [c] ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

21 For [d] he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made [f] the righteousness of God in him.

CHAP. VI.

WE then, *as* workers together *with him*, beseech *you* also [g] that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

2 (For he saith, [h] I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.)

3 Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:

4 But in all *things* [i] approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,

5 In [k] stripes, in imprisonments, [l] in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;

6 By pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,

7 By the word of truth, by the [m] power of God, by [n] the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

8 By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and *yet* true;

9 As unknown, and *yet* well known; [o] as dying, and, behold, we live; [p] as chastened, and not killed;

10 As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and *yet* possessing all things.

11 O *ye* Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, [q] our heart is enlarged.

12 Ye are not straitened in us, but [r] ye are straitened in your own bowels.

13 Now for a recompence in the same, (*I* speak as unto *my* children,) be ye also enlarged.

14 Be [s] ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for [t] what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for [u] ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, [v] I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore [x] come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,

18 And [y] will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

CHAP. VII.

HAVING [z] therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

2 Receive us; we have wronged no man, we have corrupted no man, [a] we have defrauded no man.

3 I speak not *this* to condemn you: for [b] I have said before, that ye are in our hearts to die and live with *you*.

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4 Great *is* my boldness of speech toward you, great *is* my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, [h] I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation.

5 For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on every side; [c] without *were* fightings, within *were* fears.

6 Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down, comforted us by [d] the coming of Titus;

7 And not by his coming only, but by the consolation wherewith he was comforted in you, when he told us your earnest desire, your mourning, your fervent mind toward me; so that I rejoiced the more.

8 For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, [h] though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though *it were* but for a season.

9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry † after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.

10 For [m] godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but [n] the sorrow of the world worketh death.

11 For behold this selfsame thing, [p] that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what [r] carefulness it wrought in you, yea, *what* [s] clearing of yourselves, yea, *what* [t] indignation, yea, *what* [u] fear, yea, *what* [v] vehement desire, yea, *what* [w] zeal, yea, *what* [x] revenge! In all *things* ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

12 Wherefore, though I wrote unto you, *I did it* not for his cause that had done the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered wrong, [y] but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear unto you.

13 Therefore we were comforted in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more joyed we for the joy of Titus, because his spirit *was* refreshed by you all.

14 For if I have boasted any thing to him of you, I am not ashamed; but as we spake all things to you in truth, even so our boasting, which *I made* before Titus, is found a truth.

15 And his ‖ inward affection is more abundant toward you, whilst he remembereth † the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling ye received him.

16 I rejoice therefore that [h] I have confidence in you in all *things*.

CHAP. VIII.

MOREOVER, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia;

2 How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and [m] their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their [b] liberality.

3 For to *their* power, I bear record, yea, and beyond *their* power *they were* willing of themselves;

4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and *take upon us* [r] the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.

5 And *this they did*, not as we hoped, but first [n] gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God.

6 Insomuch that [v] we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also ‖ finish in you the same † grace also.

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[a] 1 Co. 1. 5. 12. 13.
[b] Ro. 5. 3. Phi. 2. 17. Col. 1. 24.
[c] ch. 9. 8.
[d] 1 Co. 7. 6.
[e] De. 32. 25.
[f] Mat. 8. 20. Phi. 2. 6, 7.
[g] ch. 2. 13.
[h] 1 Co. 7. 25.
[i] Ps. 19. 17. Mat. 10. 42. 1 Ti. 6. 18, 19. He. 13. 16.
[o] *willing.*
[j] ch. 9. 2.
[k] Je. 20. 7..9.
[l] Lu. 21. 3.
† or, *according to God.*
[m] Ac. 4. 34.
[n] 2 Sa. 12. 13. Mat. 26. 75.
[o] Pr. 17. 22.
[p] Is. 57. 15.
[r] Tit. 3. 8, 14.
[s] Ex. 16. 18.
[t] Ep. 5. 11.
[u] Job 32. 6.
[v] Pr. 14. 16. Ro. 11. 20.
[w] Ezr. 7. 27. Col. 3. 17.
[x] Ps. 130. 6. Is. 26. 8.
[y] Ac. 17. 16.
[z] Mar. 9. 43.. 48.
[a] ver. 6.
[b] ch. 12. 18.
[c] ch. 2. 4.
[d] 1 Co. 16. 3, 4.
‡ or, *gift.* ver. 4, 6, 7.
[e] ch. 4. 15.
[f] Ac. 26. 15. Ro. 15. 32.
[g] Mat. 10. 16. Ep. 5. 15.
[h] Ro. 12. 17. Phi. 4. 8. 1 Pe. 2. 12.
§ *bowels,* ch. 6. 12.
[i] ch. 2. 9. Phi. 2. 12.
[k] 2 Th. 3. 4. Phile. 8, 21.
‖ or, he hath.
[l] Phi. 2. 25.
[m] Mar. 12. 44.
[n] 1 Th. 1.7, 8.
[o] *simplicity.* ch. 9. 11.
[p] Ac. 11. 29. Ro. 15. 26. 1 Co. 16. 1. Ga. 2. 10.
[r] ch. 8. 19.
[s] ch. 9. 1. Ac. 11. 29. 24. 17.
[t] ch. 8. 24.
[u] ch. 8. 10.
[v] Is. 44. 5. Ho. 2. 23. Ro. 6. 13. 12. 1.
[o] ch. 12. 18.
† or, *gift.* ver. 4, 19.

7 Therefore, as [a] ye abound in *every thing, in* faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and *in* all diligence, and *in* your love to us, *see* [a] that ye abound in this grace also.

8 I [d] speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love.

9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, *f* that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

10 And herein [h] I give *my* advice: for [i] this is expedient for you, who have begun before, not only to do, but also to be [k] forward *j* a year ago.

11 Now therefore perform the doing *of it;* that as *there was* a readiness to will, so *there may be* a performance also out of that which ye have.

12 For [l] if there be first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to that a man hath, *and* not according to that he hath not.

13 For *I mean* not [m] that other men be eased, and ye burdened:

14 But by an equality, *that* now at this time your abundance *may be a supply* for their want, that their abundance also may be *a supply* for your want: that there may be equality:

15 As it is written, [o] He that *had gathered* much had nothing over; and he that *had gathered* little had no lack.

16 But [w] thanks *be* to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.

17 For indeed he accepted [e] the exhortation; but being more forward, of his own accord he went unto you.

18 And we have sent with him [b] the brother, whose praise *is* in the gospel throughout all the churches;

19 And not *that* only, but who was also [d] chosen of the churches to travel with us with this † grace, which is administered by us [f] to the glory of the same Lord, and *declaration of* your ready mind:

20 Avoiding this, [g] that no man should blame us in this abundance which is administered by us:

21 Providing [h] for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

22 And we have sent with them our brother, whom we have oftentimes proved diligent in many things, but now much more diligent, upon the great confidence which I *have* in you.

23 Whether *any do enquire* of Titus, *he is* my partner and fellowhelper concerning you: or our brethren *be enquired of, they are* [l] the messengers of the churches, *and* the glory of Christ.

24 Wherefore shew ye to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love, and of our [n] boasting on your behalf.

CHAP. IX.

FOR as touching [o] the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for me to write to you:

2 For I know [p] the forwardness of your mind, [q] for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that [r] Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal hath provoked very many.

3 Yet have I sent the brethren, lest our boasting of you should be in vain in this behalf; that, as I said, ye may be ready:

4 Lest haply if they of Macedonia come

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with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting.

5 Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your † bounty, ‡ whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as *a matter of* bounty, and not as *of* covetousness.

6 But [d] *I say*, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; [e] not grudgingly, or of necessity: for [f] God loveth a cheerful giver.

8 And [g] God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

9 (As it is written, [h] He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.

10 Now he that [i] ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for *your* food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)

11 Being enriched in every thing to all ‡ bountifulness, [l] which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.

12 For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;

13 Whiles by the experiment of this ministration they [m] glorify God for your professed subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for *your* liberal [n] distribution unto them, and unto all *men*;

14 And by their prayer for you, which long after you for the exceeding [o] grace of God in you.

15 Thanks *be* unto God [p] for his unspeakable gift.

CHAP. X.

NOW [a] I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in ‖ presence *am* base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:

2 But I beseech *you*, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which † think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.

3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

4 (For [f] the weapons [g] of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty † through God [h] to the pulling down of strong holds;)

5 Casting [i] down §imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

6 And [l] having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

7 Do [m] ye look on things after the outward appearance? If [n] any man trust to himself that he is Christ's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he is Christ's, even so *are* [r] we Christ's.

8 For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed:

9 That I may not seem as if I would terrify you by letters.

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[a] *saith he.*
[a] Ga. 4. 13.
[b] 1 Co. 1. 17.
† *blessing.*
Ge. 33. 11.
1 Sa. 25. 27.
‡ or, *which hath been so much spoken of before.*
[c] ch. 5. 12.
[d] Pr. 11. 24, 25. 22. 9.
Ga. 6. 7, 9.
§ or, *under stand it not*
[e] De. 15. 7.
‖ or, *line.*
[f] Ex. 25. 2. 35. 5.
Ro. 12. 8.
[g] Pr. 28. 27.
Phl. 4. 19.
[h] Ps. 112. 9.
[i] Ro. 15. 26.
[k] Is. 55. 10.
† or, *magnified in you.*
‡ *simplicity,* ch. 8. 2. or, *liberality*
[l] ch. 1. 11.
[m] Is. 66. 16.
Je. 9. 24.
1 Co. 1. 31.
[n] Pr. 27. 2.
[o] Ro. 2. 29.
1 Co. 4. 5.
[p] Mat. 5. 16.
§ or, *ye do bear.*
[r] He. 13. 16.
[s] Ga. 4. 17, 18.
[t] Ho. 2. 19, 20.
1 Co. 4. 15.
[u] ch. 8. 1.
[v] Col. 1. 28.
[x] Le. 21. 13.
[y] Ja. 1. 17.
[z] Ge. 3. 4.
Jno. 8. 44.
[a] He. 13. 9.
2 Pe. 3. 17.
[b] Ro. 12. 1.
‖ or, *outward appearance*
[c] Ga. 1. 7, 8.
[e] or, *me.*
† or, *reckon.*
[d] 1 Co. 15. 10.
Ga. 2. 6.
[e] Ep. 3. 4.
[f] Ep. 6. 13.
1 Th. 5. 8.
[g] 1 Ti. 1. 18.
2 Ti. 2. 3.
‡ or, *to God.*
[h] Je. 1. 10.
[i] Ac. 18. 3.
[k] 1 Co. 3. 19
§ or, *reasonings.*
[l] ch. 13. 2, 10.
[m] Ac. 20. 33.
[n] Jno. 7. 24.
[o] Phl. 4. 10.
[p] 1 Co. 14. 37
1 Jno. 4. 6.
[r] 1 Co. 3. 23.
[s] Ro. 9. 1.
‖ *this boasting shall not be stopped in me.*

10 For *his* letters, [o] say they, *are* weighty and powerful; but [o] *his* bodily presence *is* weak, and *his* [t] speech contemptible.

11 Let such an one think this, that, such as we are in word by letters when we are absent, such *will we be* also in deed when we are present.

12 For [e] we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, § are not wise.

13 But we will not boast of things without *our* measure, but according to the measure of the ‖ rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you.

14 For we stretch not ourselves beyond *our measure*, as though we reached not unto you: for we are come as far as to you also in *preaching* the gospel of Christ:

15 Not boasting of things without *our* measure, *that is*, [f] of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be [g] enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly,

16 To preach the gospel in the *regions* beyond you, *and* not to boast in another man's [h] line of things made ready to our hand.

17 But [m] he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

18 For [n] not he that commendeth himself is approved, but [r] whom the Lord commendeth.

CHAP. XI.

WOULD to God ye could bear with me a little in *my* folly: and indeed § bear with me.

2 For I am [s] jealous over you with godly jealousy: for [t] I have espoused you to one husband, [u] that I may present *you* [v] *as* a chaste virgin to Christ.

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as [x] the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds [y] should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or [z] another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with [a] *him*.

5 For I suppose [d] I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles.

6 But though *I be* rude in speech, yet not [e] in knowledge; but we have been throughly made manifest among you in all things.

7 Have I committed an offence [i] in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because I have preached to you the gospel of God freely?

8 I robbed other churches, taking wages *of them*, to do you service.

9 And when I was present with you, and wanted, [m] I was chargeable to no man: for that which was lacking to me [e] the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: and in all *things* I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and so will I keep *myself*.

10 As [e] the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this boasting in the regions of Achaia.

11 Wherefore? because I love you not? God knoweth.

12 But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them which

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desire occasion: that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we.

13 For such [a] *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into [c] an angel of light.

15 Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as [c] the ministers of righteousness; [f] whose end shall be according to their works.

16 I [h] say again, Let no man think me a fool; if otherwise, yet as a fool [i] receive me, that I may boast myself a little.

17 That which I speak, [k] I speak *it* not after the Lord, but as it were foolishly, in this confidence of boasting.

18 Seeing [l] that many glory after the flesh, I will glory also.

19 For ye suffer fools gladly, [m] seeing ye *yourselves* are wise.

20 For ye suffer, [n] if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour *you*, if a man take *of you*, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.

21 I speak as concerning reproach, [r] as though we had been weak. Howbeit [s] whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also.

22 Are they Hebrews? [t] so *am* I. Are they Israelites? so *am* I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so *am* I.

23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I *am* more; [x] in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, [y] in deaths oft.

24 Of the Jews five times received I [z] forty *stripes* save one.

25 Thrice was I [a] beaten with rods, [b] once was I stoned, thrice I [c] suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

26 *In* journeyings often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, [d] *in* perils by *mine own* countrymen, [e] *in* perils by the heathen, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in* perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren;

27 In weariness and painfulness, [m] in watchings often, [n] in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.

28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, [o] the care of all the churches.

29 Who [p] is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not?

30 If I must needs glory, [r] I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities.

31 The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, [s] which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

32 In [t] Damascus the governor under Aretas the king kept the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desirous to apprehend me:

33 And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped his hands.

CHAP. XII.

IT is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. § I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord.

2 I knew a man [a] in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one [b] caught up to the third heaven.

3 And I [d] knew such a man, (whether in

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[a] 2 Pe. 3. 1. 1 Joh. 4. 1. Re. 2. 2.
[b] Lu. 23. 43.
[c] or, *possible*
Lu. 4. 1...13. Ga. 1. 6. Re. 12. 9.
[d] Je. 9. 23,24. 1 Co. 1. 31. Ja. 1. 2, 12.
[e] ch. 3. 9.
[f] Phi. 3. 19.
[g] ch. 11. 16.
[h] ch. 12. 6, 11.
[i] or, *suffer.*
[k] 1 Co. 7. 6, 12.
[l] Phi. 3. 3, 4.
[m] Eze. 28. 24. Ga. 4. 13, 14.
[n] Job 2. 7. Lu. 13. 16. 1 Co. 5. 5, 8.
[o] 1 Co. 4. 10.
[p] Ga. 2. 4.
[r] De. 3. 23...27. Mat. 26. 41.
[s] De. 33. 25...27. Jos. 1. 9. Is. 43. 2. He. 4. 16.
[t] ch. 10. 10.
[x] ch. 11. 30.
[y] Phi. 3. 4, 5.
[z] 1 Pe. 4. 14
[a] Ac. 22. 3. Ro. 11. 1.
[b] Ro. 5. 3.
[c] 1 Co. 15. 10.
[d] 1 Co. 15. 30...32.
[e] Ga. 2. 6...8.
[m] De. 25. 3.
[n] Ep. 3. 8.
[o] Ac. 16. 22.
[p] Ro. 15. 18, 19. 1 Co. 9. 2.
[r] Ac. 14. 19.
[s] Ac. 27. 41.
[t] 1 Co. 1. 7.
[x] Ac. 9. 23. 23. 10...13. 25. 3.
[y] Ac. 14. 5. 19. 23.
[z] ch. 13. 1.
[a] Ac. 20. 33.
[b] Ac. 20. 31.
[c] 1 Co 4. 14, 15.
[d] 1 Co 4. 11.
[e] 1 Th. 2. 8. Phi. 2. 17.
[f] Jno. 10. 11.
[g] *your souls.*
[h] Ac 20. 18, &c Ro. 1. 14.
[i] 1 Co 8. 13. 9. 22.
[k] ch. 11. 9.
[l] ch. 12. 5, 9, 10
[m] Ro. 9. 5.
[n] Ac. 9. 24, 25.
[o] Ac. 9. 1.
[p] 1 Co. 10. 33.
[r] 1 Co. 4. 21.
[s] *For I will come.*
[t] ch. 5. 17. Ro. 16. 7. Ga. 1. 22.
[a] ch. 13. 2.
[b] Ac. 22. 17.
[c] 1 Co. 5. 1.
[d] A. D. 46. *at Lystra,* Ac. 14. 6.

the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)

4 How that he was caught up into [a] paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not [b] lawful for a man to utter.

5 Of such an one will I glory: [d] yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.

6 For [g] though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but *now* I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me *to be*, or *that* he heareth of me.

7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a [i] thorn in the flesh, [m] the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

8 For [p] this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

9 And he said unto me, [q] My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore [r] will I rather glory in my infirmities, [s] that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

10 Therefore [w] I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

11 I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for [t] in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though [k] I be nothing.

12 Truly [l] the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.

13 For [g] what is it wherein you were inferior to other churches, except *it be* that I myself was not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.

14 Behold, [z] the third time I am ready to come to you; and I will not be burdensome to you: for [t] I seek not yours, but you: [u] for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.

15 And [p] I will very gladly spend and be spent [r] for *you*; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved.

16 But be it so, [s] I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.

17 Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you?

18 I desired Titus, and with *him* I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? walked we not in the same spirit? *walked we* not in the same steps?

19 Again, think ye that we excuse ourselves unto you? [r] we speak before God in Christ: [s] but *we do* all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.

20 For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and *that* [b] I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest *there be* debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:

21 *And* lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and *that* I shall bewail many [d] which have sinned already, and have not repented of the uncleanness and [f] fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed.

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CHAP. XIII.

THIS *is* the third *time* I am coming to you. [a] In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.

2 I [b] told you before, and foretell you, as if I were present, the second time; and being absent now I write to them which heretofore have sinned, and to all other, that, if I come again, I will not spare:

3 Since ye seek a proof of Christ [c] speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is mighty [d] in you.

4 For [e] though he was crucified through weakness, yet [f] he liveth by the power of God. For [g] we also are weak [h] in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

5 Examine [i] yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, [k] how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be [l] reprobates?

6 But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.

7 Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but

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[a] Nu. 35. 30. Mat. 18. 16. Jno. 8. 17. He. 10. 28.
[b] ch. 10. 2.
[c] 1 Th. 3. 10.
[d] Tit. 1. 13.
[e] Mat. 10. 20. 1 Co. 5. 4.
[f] 1 Co. 9. 2.
[g] Phi. 2. 7, 8. 1 Pe. 3. 18.
[h] Ro. 6. 4. Phi. 2. 2. 3. 16. 1 Pe. 3. 8.
[k] ch. 10. 3, 4.
[i] or, *with.*
[k] Ro. 15. 33.
[m] Ro. 16. 17. Th. 5. 26. 1 Pe. 5. 14.
[n] 1 Co. 11. 28.
[o] Ro. 8. 10. Ga. 4. 19.
[p] Phi. 2. 1.
[r] 1 Co. 9. 27.

that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.

8 For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.

9 For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, [o] *even* your perfection.

10 Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present [d] I should use sharpness, according to the power which the Lord hath given me to edification, and not to destruction.

11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, [i] be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love [l] and peace shall be with you.

12 Greet [m] one another with an holy kiss.

13 All the saints salute you.

14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and [p] the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ The second *epistle* to the Corinthians was written from Philippi, [r] *a city* of Macedonia, by Titus and Lucas.

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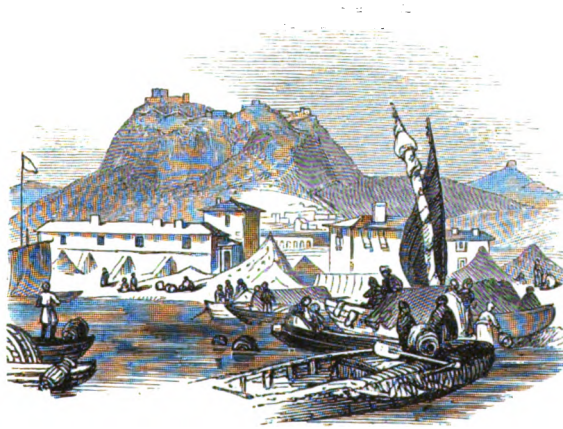
1 *Cor.* XV. 32.—**COMBATS WITH WILD ANIMALS.** It was common among the Romans and the ancients generally to expose criminals to fight with wild beasts in the amphitheatre, for the amusement of the populace. In such cases it was but another form of dooming them to certain death, since there was no human possibility of escape. That this custom prevailed in the East is apparent from the following extract from Rosenmuller: 'and there is no improbability,' says Barnes, 'in the supposition that Paul was exposed to this.' 'The barbarous custom of making men combat with wild beasts has prevailed in the East down to the most modern times. Jurgen Andersen, who visited the states of the great mogul in 1646, gives an account in his travels of such a combat with animals, which he witnessed at Agra, the residence of the great mogul. His description affords a lively image of those bloody spectacles in which ancient Rome took so much pleasure, and to which the words of the apostle refer, 1 Cor. xv. 32. Alamardanchan, the governor of Cashmire, who sat among the chans, stood up and exclaimed, "It is the will and desire of the great mogul, Schah Choram, that if there be any valiant heroes who will shew their bravery by combating with wild beasts, armed with shield and sword, let them come forward: if they conquer, the mogul will load them with great favour, and clothe their countenance with gladness." Upon this three persons advanced, and offered to undertake the combat. Alamardan-chan again cried aloud, "None should have any other weapon than a shield and a sword; and whosoever has any breastplate under his clothes should lay it aside, and fight honourably." Hereupon a powerful lion was let into the garden, and one of the three men above mentioned advanced against him. The lion, on seeing his enemy, ran violently up to him; the man, however, defended himself bravely, and kept off the lion for a good while, till his arms grew tired. The lion then seized the shield with one paw, and with the other the antagonist's right arm, so that he was not able to use his weapon; the latter, seeing his life in danger, took with his left hand his Indian dagger, which he had sticking in his girdle, and thrust it as far as possible into the lion's mouth: the lion then let him go. The man, however, was not idle, but cut the lion almost through with one stroke, and after that entirely to pieces. Upon this victory the common people began to shout, and call out, "Thank God, he has conquered." But the mogul said, smiling, to the conquerer, "Thou art a brave warrior, and hast fought admirably. But did I not command to fight honourable only with shield and sword? But, like a thief, thou hast stolen the life of the lion with thy dagger." And immediately he ordered two men to rip up his belly, and to place him upon an elephant, and, as an example to others, to lead him about, which was done on the spot. Soon after a tiger was set loose; against which a tall, powerful man advanced, with an air of defiance, as if he would cut the tiger up. The tiger, however, was far too sagacious and active; for, in the first attack, he seized the combatant by the neck, tore his throat, and then his whole body, in pieces. This enraged another good fellow, but little, and of mean appearance, from whom one would not have expected it: he rushed forward like one mad; and the tiger on his part undauntedly flew at his enemy; but the man, at the first attack, cut off his two fore paws, so that he fell; and the man cut his body to pieces. Upon this the king cried, "What is your name?" He answered, "My name is Geyby." Soon after, one of the king's servants came and brought him a piece of gruel broadcie, and said, "Geyby, receive the robe of honour with which the mogul presents you." He took the garment with great reverence, kissed it three times, pressing it each time to his eyes and breast; then held it up, and in silence put up a prayer for the health of the mogul; and when he concluded it he cried, "May God let him become as great as Tamerlane, from whom he is descended. May he live seven hundred years, and his house continue to eternity:" Upon this he was summoned by a chamberlain to go from the garden up to the king; and when he came to the entrance, he was received by two chans, who conducted him between them to kiss the mogul's hand; and when he was going to retire, the king said to him, "Praised be thou, Geyby-chan, for thy valiant deeds, and this name shalt thou keep to eternity. I am your gracious master, and thou art my slave." From the state of things at Ephesus when Paul was there (Acts xix.), Barnes considers it not the least improbable that Paul would be subjected to such a trial; and from his expression in 2 Cor. xi. 23, that he was in deaths oft, he thinks the supposition is supported, that in Ephesus he may have been exposed to death in some cruel manner, and that, but for the interposition of God, he would have died.

1 *Cor.* I. 1; 2 Cor. I. 1.—**PORT OF CORINTH.** This city was the capital of Achaia, and stood near the middle of the isthmus, which in the narrowest part was about six miles wide. It had two ports, Lechæum, on the gulf of Corinth, now Lepanto, and Cenchræa, on the gulf of Ægina. Hence it commanded the merchandise of Italy and Sicily on the west, and Asia on the east, and, in consequence, became one of the richest and most prosperous cities of Greece. It was also celebrated for its isthmian games, and for the magnificence of its public buildings. In the second century before Christ, Corinth was pillaged and burnt by the Romans. Julius Cæsar built a new city, and established a Roman colony, peopling it with freed-men from Rome; and again it soon became great and wealthy, and it was notorious for its impure morals. This was the Corinth of the time of the apostles. The city has sustained many reverses, and is now in the possession of the Greeks.

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COMBAT WITH WILD BEASTS.—*Composition.*—1 Cor. xv. 32.



PORT OF CORINTH.—*Original Sketch.*

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the GALATIANS.

Treats on justification by faith, in opposition to some Jewish zealots, who enforced circumcision on the Galatians.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but [a] by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

3 Grace [b] *be* to you and peace from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ,

4 Who [c] gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us [d] from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

5 To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

7 Which [e] is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

8 But though [f] we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you [g] than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

10 For [h] do I now persuade men, or God? or [i] do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

12 For [k] I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but [l] by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

13 For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and [m] wasted it:

14 And profited in the Jews' religion above many my [†] equals in mine own nation, [n] being more exceedingly zealous of [o] the traditions of my fathers.

15 But when it pleased God, [p] who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his grace,

16 To [q] reveal his Son in me, that [r] I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with [s] flesh and blood:

17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

18 Then after three years [t] I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.

19 But [u] other of the apostles saw I none, save [w] James the Lord's brother.

20 Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.

21 Afterwards [x] I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;

22 And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judæa which were in Christ:

A. D. 58.

[a] Ac. 9. 6. Tit. 1. 3.
[b] 2 Jno. 3.
[c] Ac. 15. 2.
[d] Mat. 20. 28. Ro. 4. 25. Tit. 2. 14.
[e] Is. 65. 17. Jno. 15. 19. 17. 14. He. 2. 5. 6. 5. 1 Jno. 5. 19.
[†] or, *severally*.
[f] Phi. 2. 16. 1 Th. 3. 5.
[g] 2 Co. 11. 4.
[h] 2 Co. 11. 26.
[i] ch. 5. 25. 5. 1, 13.
[k] 1 Co. 16. 22.
[l] Is. 51. 23.
[m] ch. 6. 3.
[n] De. 4. 2. 12. 32. Pr. 30. 6. Re. 22. 18.
[o] Ac. 10. 34. Ro. 2. 11.
[p] 1 Th. 2. 4.
[q] Ja. 4. 4.
[r] 1 Ti. 2. 7. 2 Ti. 1. 11.
[s] 1 Th. 2. 4.
[t] 1 Co. 15. 1, 3.
[u] Ep. 3. 3.
[x] Ac. 13. 2. 1 Co. 15. 10. Col. 1. 29.
[y] Mat. 16. 18. Ep. 2. 20. Re. 21. 14.
[z] Ac. 8. 3.
[†] *equals in years.*
[a] Ac. 22. 3. 26. 5. Phi. 3. 6.
[b] Jo. 9 14. Mar. 7. 5. Col. 2. 8.
[c] 2 Co. VIII. IX.
[d] Is. 49. 1, 5. Je. 1. 5. Ro. 1. 1.
[e] Ac. 15. 25.
[f] 2 Co. 4. 6.
[g] Ac. 22. 21. 26. 17, 18. Ro. 11. 13. Ep. 3. 8.
[h] Mat. 16. 17. 1 Co. 15 50. Ep. 6. 12.
[i] Ac. 11. 3.
[k] Ac. 9. 26.
[†] *or, returned*
[l] 1 Co. 9. 5.
[m] Mat. 13. 55.
[n] 1 Ti. 5. 20.
[o] Ac. 10. 28.
[p] Ac. 9. 30.
[r] Mat. 9. 11. Ro. 3. 9. Ep. 2. 3, 12.

23 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

24 And they glorified God in me.

CHAP. II.

THEN fourteen years after [a] I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with *me* also.

2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but [b] privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means [c] I should run, or had run, in vain.

3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

4 And that because of [d] false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our [e] liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, [f] that they might bring us into bondage:

5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.

6 But of those [g] who seemed to be somewhat, whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: [h] God accepteth no man's person: for they who seemed *to be somewhat* in conference added nothing to me:

7 But contrariwise, [i] when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision [k] was committed unto me, as *the gospel* of the circumcision *was* unto Peter;

8 (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, [l] the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)

9 And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be [m] pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we *should go* unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

10 Only *they would* that we should remember the poor; [n] the same which I also was forward to do.

11 But [o] when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

12 For before that certain came from James, [p] he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

13 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter [q] before *them* all, [r] If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

15 We *who are* Jews by nature, and not [s] sinners of the Gentiles,

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16 Knowing [a] that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but [b] by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for [c] by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found [d] sinners, *is* therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

19 For I [e] through the law [f] am dead to the law, that I might [g] live unto God.

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live [h] by the faith of the Son of God, [i] who loved me, and gave himself for me.

21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for [k] if righteousness *come* by the law then Christ is dead in vain.

CHAP. III.

O FOOLISH Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

2 This only would I learn of you, Received ye [l] the Spirit by the works of the law, [m] or by the hearing of faith?

3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by [n] the flesh?

4 Have ye suffered so [o] many things in vain? if *it be* yet in vain.

5 He therefore [p] that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

6 Even as [q] Abraham believed God, and it was [r] accounted to him for righteousness.

7 Know ye therefore that [s] they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

8 And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, *saying*, [t] In thee shall all nations be blessed.

9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, [u] Cursed *is* every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, *it is* evident: for, [x] The just shall live by faith.

12 And the law is not of faith: but, [y] The man that doeth them shall live in them.

13 Christ [z] hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, [a] Cursed *is* every one that hangeth on a tree:

14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive [b] the promise of the Spirit through faith.

15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; [c] Though *it be* but a man's [d] covenant, yet *if it be* confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

17 And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, [e] which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

18 For if the inheritance *be* of the law, *it is* no more of promise: but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.

19 Wherefore then *serveth* the law? [f] It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* [g] ordained by angels in the hand [f] of a mediator.

20 Now a mediator is not [h] *a mediator* of one, [i] but God is one.

21 *Is* the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.

22 But the scripture hath concluded [k] all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore [l] the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For ye [m] are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

27 For [n] as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

28 There [o] is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all [p] one in Christ Jesus.

29 And [q] if ye *be* Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and [r] heirs according to the promise.

CHAP. IV.

NOW I say, *That* the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, [s] were in bondage under the [t] elements of the world:

4 But [u] when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made [x] of a woman, made under the law,

5 To [y] redeem them that were under the law, [z] that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6 And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth [a] the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.

9 But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, [b] how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly [t] elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

10 Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.

11 I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.

12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I am;

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[a] Ac. 13.38,39.
[b] Ro. 1. 17. 3.22,28. He. 7.18,19.
[c] Ex. 12. 40,41
[d] Ps. 143. 2.
[e] 1 Jno. 3. 8, 9.
[f] Jno. 15. 22. 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[g] Ro. 8. 2.
[h] Ro. 6. 14. 7. 4, 6.
[i] Ro. 6. 11. 2 Co. 5. 15. He. 9. 14.
[k] Ac. 7. 53. He. 2. 2.
[l] Jno. 1. 17. Ac. 7. 38. 1 Ti. 2. 5.
[m] Ro. 3. 29, 30
[n] Tit. 3. 5. 10. 1 Pe. 4. 2.
[o] Ep. 5. 2. Tit. 2. 14.
[p] en. 3. 21. Ro. 11. 6. He. 7. 11.
[q] Ro. 3. 9, 19, 23. 11. 32.
[r] Mat. 5. 17. Ro. 10. 4. Col. 2. 17.
[s] Ep. 1. 13. He. 6. 4.
[t] Ro. 10. 16, 17
[u] 1 Jno. 3. 1, 2.
[x] He. 9. 10.
[o] or, *great.*
[y] Ro. 6. 3.
[z] 2 Co. 3. 8.
[a] Col. 3. 11.
[b] Jno. 10. 16. Ep. 2. 14...16
[c] Ge. 15. 6.
[d] Ge. 21. 10, 12. He. 11. 18.
[†] or, *imputed*
[e] Ep. 3. 6.
[f] Jno. 8. 39. Ro. 4. 11, 16.
[g] Ge. 12. 3. Ac. 3. 25.
[h] ch. 5. 1. Col. 2. 8.
[‡] or, *rudiments.*
[i] Ge. 49. 10. De. 9. 21.
[k] Ge. 3. 15. Is. 7. 14. Jno. 1. 14.
[l] De. 27. 26. Je. 11. 3.
[m] Mat. 20. 28. Tit. 2. 14.
[n] Jno. 1. 12. Ep. 1. 5.
[o] Ro. 5. 5.
[p] Hab. 2. 4.
[r] Le. 18. 5. Eze. 20. 11. Ro. 10. 5.
[s] Ro. 8. 3. 2 Co. 5. 21.
[t] De. 21. 23.
[u] Col. 2. 20.
[x] Joel 2.28,29. Jno. 7. 39. Ac. 2. 33.
[§] or, *back.*
[‖] or, *rudiments, ver.* 3.
[x] He. 9. 17.
[o] or, *testament.*

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for I *am* as ye *are:* ye have not injured me at all.

13 Ye know how [b] through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.

14 And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me [c] as an angel of God, *f even* as Christ Jesus.

15 † Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

16 Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

17 They [g] zealously affect you, *but* not well; yea, they would exclude ‡ you, that ye might affect them.

18 But *it is* good to be zealously affected always in *a* good *thing*, and not only when I am present with you.

19 My [i] little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,

20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for § I stand in doubt of you.

21 Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?

22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, [r] the one by a bondmaid, [s] the other by a freewoman.

23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman [t] was born after the flesh; [u] but he of the freewoman *was* by promise.

24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two [v] covenants; the one from the mount † Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.

25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and ‡ answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

26 But [x] Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

27 For it is written, [y] Rejoice, *thou* barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are [z] the children of promise.

29 But as then [a] he that was born after the flesh persecuted him *that was born* after the Spirit, even so *it is* now.

30 Nevertheless what saith the [b] scripture? [c] Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for [d] the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.

31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, [e] but of the free.

CHAP. V.

STAND fast therefore in [a] the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again [b] with the yoke of bondage.

2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that [c] if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.

3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, [d] that he is a debtor to do the whole law.

4 Christ [f] is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

5 For we through the Spirit [g] wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

6 For [h] in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but [i] faith which worketh by love.

7 Ye [k] did run well; who did [l] hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?

8 This persuasion *cometh* not of him that calleth you.

9 A [m] little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you [n] shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is [o] the offence of the cross ceased.

12 I would they were even cut off which trouble you.

13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only [p] *use* not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

14 For [q] all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; [r] Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

16 *This* I say then, [s] Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For [t] the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

19 Now [v] the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these;* Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that [x] they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But [y] the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, [z] faith,

23 Meekness, temperance: [a] against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Christ's *f* have crucified the flesh with the § affections and lusts.

25 If [b] we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

CHAP. VI.

BRETHREN, ‖ if [m] a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one [n] in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, [p] lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear [q] ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil [r] the law of Christ.

3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

4 But [s] let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5 For [t] every man shall bear his own burden.

6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

A. D. 58.

[a] 1 Th. 1. 3.
[b] 1 Co. 2. 3.
[c] 1 Co. 9. 24.
[e] or, *drive you back?*
[d] 1 Co. 15. 33.
[e] Zec. 12. 8. Mal. 2. 7.
[f] Jno. 13. 20. 1 Th. 2. 13.
† or, *What was then?*
[g] 2 Co. 10. 6.
[h] 1 Co. 1. 23.
[i] Ro. 10. 2. 1 Co. 11. 2.
‡ or, *us.*
[k] 1 Co. 8. 9.
[l] Ja. 1. 18.
[m] Mat. 7. 12. Ja. 2. 8.
[n] Le. 19. 18.
§ or, *I am perplexed for you.*
[o] Ro. 6. 12. 1 Pe. 2. 11.
‖ or, *fulfil not.*
[p] Ro. 7. 23. 8. 6, 7.
[r] Ge. 16. 15.
[s] Ge. 21. 2.
[t] Ro. 9. 7, 8.
[u] Ge. 18. 10, 14. He. 11. 11.
[v] or, *testaments.*
[x] Ja. 3 14, 15.
† *Sina.*
‡ or, *is in the same rank with.*
[x] He. 12. 22. Re. 21. 2, 10.
[y] Is. 54. 1.
[z] 1 Co. v. 6. 9. Col. 3. 6. Re. 22. 15.
[a] Jno. 15. 2. Ep. 5. 9.
[b] 1 Co. 13. 7.
[c] 1 Ti. 1. 9.
[d] Ac. 3. 25.
[e] Ge. 21. 9.
[f] Ro. 6. 6. 13. 14.
§ or, *passions.*
[g] ch. 3. 8, 22.
[h] Ro. 8. 4, 5.
[i] Ge. 21. 10, 12
[k] Jno. 8. 35.
[l] ch. 5. 13.
‖ or, *although*
[m] He. 12. 13. Ja. 5. 19.
[n] Ro. 6. 18.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 16.
[p] 1 Co. 4. 21.
[q] 1 Co. 7. 5. 10. 12.
[r] Ac. 15. 10.
[s] 1 Th. 5. 14.
[t] Ac. 16. 3.
[u] Jno. 13. 12.
[v] 1 Jno. 4. 21.
[w] ch. 3. 10.
[x] 1 Co. 11. 28. 2 Co. 13. 5.
[y] Ro. 9. 31, 32.
[z] Ro. 2. 6.
[a] 1 Co. 3. 8.
[b] Ro. 8. 24, 25.
[c] Col. 3. 11.

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7 Be not deceived; God [a] is not mocked: for [b] whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8 For [c] he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, [d] if we faint not.

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let [e] us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the houshold of faith.

11 Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.

12 As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, [f] they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.

13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

14 But [g] God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, [h] by whom the world is [i] crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

15 For [j] in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but [k] a new creature.

16 And [l] as many as walk according to this rule, peace *be* on them, and mercy, and upon [m] the Israel of God.

17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for [n] I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

18 Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.

¶ Unto the Galatians written from Rome.

[a] Job 13. 9.
[b] Lu. 16. 25. Ro. 2. 6. 2 Co. 9. 6.
[c] Job 4. 8. Ro. 8. 13. Ja. 3. 18.
[d] Phi. 3. 13, 14.
[e] or, *whereby*
[f] Ro. 6. 6.
[g] Col. 3. 11.
[h] Mat. 24. 13. He. 12. 3, 5. Re. 2. 10.
[i] 2 Co. 5. 17.
[j] Ps. 125. 5.
[k] 1 Th. 5. 15. Tit. 3. 8.
[l] Ro. 2. 29.
[m] Col. 1. 24.
[n] ch. 2. 3, 14.

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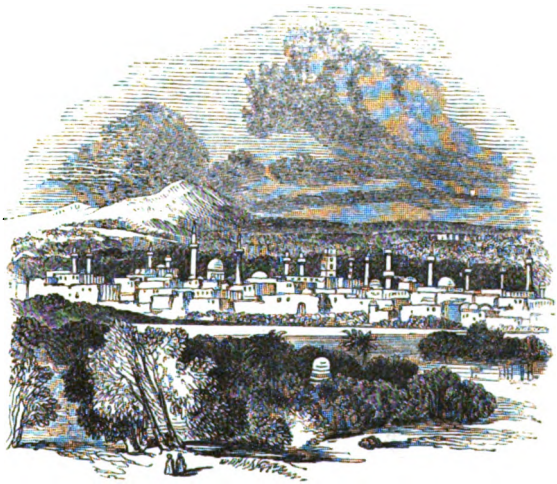
CH. I. 2.—ANCYRA, the capital of Galatia. Galatia was a province in Asia Minor, having the river Halys east, Bithynia and Paphlagonia north, Cappadocia and Phrygia south, and Mysia and Lydia west. Its southern border was about 180 miles from Tarsus, and 260 from Antioch. The Gauls having invaded Asia Minor in several bodies, conquered this country, settled in it, and called it Galatia, which in Greek signifies Gaul. These Gauls are said not only to have preserved their own language, but even to have made it the common language of the country. And such was the case even to the time of Jerome; for in the preface to his Commentary on the Epistle to the Churches of Galatia, he tells us that it was a language very much resembling that of the people of Treves, in the European Gaul. Galatia was in general a very fruitful and populous country. The religion of the ancient Galatæ was blended with gross superstitions. Like other Celtic nations, they offered human sacrifices, devoting to this purpose their prisoners of war. Although a barbarous people, they appear to have cultivated eloquence, and to have been fond of music. They were a tall and valiant race. They generally fought almost naked, their principal weapons being a sword and buckler; and their attack was so impetuous, that they were commonly victorious. The principal cities of Galatia were Ancyra, Tavium, and Pessinus. Angora, the ancient Ancyra, is on an elevated plain, and contains a large population. Some fine remains of antiquity are preserved. The inhabitants are now chiefly Armenians. The apostle Paul preached several times in Galatia, and formed considerable churches there. It is probable that he was the first who preached there to the Gentiles, but from the superscription to the first epistle of Peter, Peter had preached there to the Jews; for the Jews were drawn to this province in considerable numbers. A record of the liberties they were permitted to enjoy was deposited in the temple of Augustus at Ancyra, by Augustus, twenty-six years before Christ. Galatia was reduced to a Roman province under a propretor. It has long been under the Turkish government.

CH. I. 17.—DAMASCUS. Damascus is a celebrated city of Syria, which was long the capital of a kingdom of Damascus, or Syria of Damascus. It is now the capital of a pashalic of the Ottoman empire. This city is upon the river Barada, in an extensive plain open on the south and east, but on the west and north shut in by mountains, which send forth so many streams, as to render the district of Damascus the best watered and most pleasant of all Syria. The Arabs term it one of the four paradises of the East. It may be called the Florence of Turkey, and the flower of the Levant. It is two miles in length, from north-east to south-west; but its breadth is not in proportion, being extremely narrow, as well as its streets. It is divided into twenty-three districts. The houses are mud-houses: few have wooden floors, or are provided with windows. The roofs are flat, like a terrace, and are spread over with a kind of plaster made firm with a roller. Many of them are surrounded with mud walls or battlements, four feet in height, to prevent accidents. The better classes of houses are spacious and elegant; the entrances to all, indeed, are bad, the doors of most being so small and low as to oblige the person entering to stoop. Within there is generally a quadrangular well-paved court, containing a stone or marble tank for water, and sometimes ornamented with plants and fountains of water. During great heats a kind of awning or veil is spread over the top of these courts. Damascus is still a city of great commerce. Its bazaars contain some of the finest manufactures, but they are not exhibited unless they are inquired after. Here all trades are busy. The working jewellers are all established in some large buildings with wooden roofs, at one end of the town, divided by partitions into different allays, where the goldsmiths and silversmiths are seen seated with fire, bellows, anvils, hammers, pincers, drawers, &c., and there is an immoderate tinkering and clattering on all sides. Here people are constantly coming in with rings, bracelets, silver filagree baskets, and various kinds of jewellery to be repaired, or to serve as patterns for artisans to be made to order. Then the visitor will pass through a shoe bazaar, amid piles of red and yellow slippers and ladies boots, and an overpowering smell of leather. Swords are no longer made at Damascus, for the conqueror Timor Beg transported the skilful artizans to Khorassan, which is now the celebrated place for blades. The great Khan is a fine building, erected within the last forty years. Here assemble the merchants and traders of Damascus, to meet and confer with those of other lands, to inspect the merchandize, the goods, the precious things which have travelled long and wearily during weeks, and even months, across the desert. Here come to lodge for a few or many days, till necessary business is completed, camel-loads sold, and his purchases made, the Persian, the Egyptian, the Bedouin Arab, the Mussulman of Hindostan, and the Druse. In some parts may be seen piles of goods covering the stone floor, the thoughtful owner sitting by the side; a group seated in another part cross-legged, and dictating to a scribe the accounts of their sales or concerns; or an audience listening to some one informing or amusing them. The views around Damascus is beautiful in the highest degree. The rich scenery around Damascus in the summer, universal admiration. There are shady groves and rich fruit trees of all kinds, with the most luxuriant foliage. Damascus is held by some to be the most ancient city in the world. It is mentioned Gen. xiv. 15. The street called Straight (Acts ix. 11) is half a mile in length, and very narrow, but it forms the principal thoroughfare of the city. See further interesting particulars of this ancient and renowned city, respecting its history, appearance, population, &c., given with another view, in Gen. xv.

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ANCYRA, CAPITAL OF GALATIA.—*Forbin.*—Gal. i. 2.



DAMASCUS.—*La Borde.*—Gal. i. 17.

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the EPHESIANS.

Written to confirm them in the faith and practice of the gospel.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

2 Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 Blessed [b] *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly [c] *places* in Christ:

4 According as [d] he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should [e] be holy and without blame before him in love:

5 Having predestinated us unto [f] the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, [g] according to the good pleasure of his will,

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, [m] wherein he hath made us accepted in [n] the beloved.

7 In [o] whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

9 Having [t] made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure [t] which he hath purposed in himself:

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one [p] all things in Christ, both which are in [§] heaven, and which are on earth; *even* in him:

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to [r] the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

12 That [s] we should be to the praise of his glory, [h] who first [‖] trusted in Christ.

13 In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, [v] ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance [i] until the redemption of the purchased possession, [k] unto the praise of his glory.

15 Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,

16 Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

17 That [l] the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation [†] in the knowledge of him:

18 The [u] eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is [u] the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of [‡] his mighty power,

A. D. 64.

[a] Ps. 110. 1. He. 1. 3.
[b] 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[c] Mat. 28. 18.
[d] Col. 1. 18.
[e] or, things.
[f] Ro. 8. 23.
[g] 1 Pe. 1. 2, 20.
[m] Lu. 1. 75.
[n] ch. 4. 18.
[o] Jno. 1. 12. Ga. 4. 5. 1 Jno. 3. 1.
[t] Mat. 11. 26.
[k] ch. 6. 12.
[l] Col. 3. 6.
[m] Ro. 3. 24.
[n] Jno. 10. 17.
[o] Ac. 20. 28. Ro. 5. 9.
[p] Ga. 5. 16.
[†] *the wills.*
[r] Ps. 51. 5.
[s] Col. 1. 26.
[t] ch. 3. 11. 2 Ti. 1. 9.
[u] Ro. 6. 4, 5.
[‡] or, *by whose grace.* Ac. 15. 11.
[v] Phi. 2. 9, 10. Col. 1. 20.
[§] *the heavens* [x] Is. 46. 10, 11. [y] Ro. 4. 16. [z] Jno. 5. 44, 45.
[a] 2 Th. 2. 13.
[b] Ja. 1. 18.
[‖] or, *hoped.*
[c] Ro. 4. 2. 1 Co. 1. 29.. 31.
[d] Is. 44. 21. Jno. 3. 3, 5.
[e] 2 Co. 1. 22.
[f] or, *prepared.*
[g] Lu. 21. 28. Ro. 8. 23.
[h] 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[i] Ro. 2. 28, 29. Col. 2. 11.
[k] Eze. 13. 9. Jno. 10. 16.
[l] Jno. 20. 17.
[m] Ga. 4. 8.
[n] 1 Th. 4. 5.
[o] Ga. 3. 28.
[p] Ac. 2. 39.
[†] or, *for the acknowledgment.* Col. 2. 2.
[q] Is. 35. 5. 42. 7. Ac. 26. 18.
[r] Mi. 5. 5. Jno. 16. 33. Col. 1. 20.
[s] Jno. 10. 16. eh. 4. 4.
[‡] *the might of his power.*

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and [x] set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,

21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

22 And [y] hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him [z] *to be* the head over all *things* to the church,

23 Which [a] is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

CHAP. II.

AND you *hath he quickened*, [b] who were dead in trespasses and sins;

2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to [c] the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in [d] the children of disobedience:

3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in [e] the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling [f] the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and [g] were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath [m] quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace are ye saved [h] through faith; and that not of yourselves: [i] *it is* the gift of God:

9 Not [k] of works, lest any man should boast.

10 For we are his [l] workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before [o] ordained that we should walk in them.

11 Wherefore remember, that ye *being* in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called [h] the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;

12 That at that time ye were without Christ, [i] being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, [l] and without God in the world:

13 But [m] now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were [n] far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

14 For [p] he is our peace, [r] who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace;

16 And that he might reconcile both

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unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity [o] thereby:

17 And came and [h] preached peace to you which were afar off, and to [c] them that were nigh.

18 For [e] through him we both have access [f] by one Spirit unto the Father.

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but [g] fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

20 And are [h] built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being [i] the chief corner *stone;*

21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:

22 In [m] whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

CHAP. III.

FOR this cause I Paul, [n] the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

2 (If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God [o] which is given me to you-ward:

3 How that [a] by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; ([a] as I wrote [b] afore in few words,

4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

5 Which [d] in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

6 That the Gentiles [f] should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and [h] partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

8 Unto me, [k] who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

9 And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, [n] which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, [o] who created all things by Jesus Christ:

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly *places* [r] might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

12 In whom we have boldness and access [t] with confidence by the faith of him.

13 Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, [u] which is your glory.

14 For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, [y] to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in [z] the inner man;

17 That [a] Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, [b] being rooted and grounded in love,

18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

19 And to know the love of Christ,

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[o] or, *in himself.*
[a] Jno. 1. 16. Col. 2. 9, 10.
[b] Is. 52. 13. Zec. 9. 10.
[c] Ps. 148. 14.
[d] Col. 1. 20.
[e] Jno. 14. 6.
[f] 1 Co. 12. 13.
[g] Heb. 12. 22, 23.
[h] 1 Co. 3. 9, 10. Re. 21. 14.
[i] Phile. 1, 9.
[k] or, *in.*
[h] Phi. 1. 27. 1 Th. 3. 12.
[l] Ps. 118. 22. Mat. 21. 42.
[m] 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[n] Col. 3. 14.
[o] Ro. 12. 5. 1 Co. 12. 12
[p] 1 Co. 12. 4.
[r] Ac. 21. 33.
[s] 1 Co. 1. 13.
[t] Jude 3.
[u] Ga. 3. 27, 28.
[v] Ac. 13 2.
[x] Ro. 11. 36.
[y] Ro. 12. 3, 6. 1 Co. 12. 11.
[z] Ga. 1. 12.
[a] ch. 1. 9, 10.
[b] or, *a little before.*
[b] Ps. 68. 18.
[§] or, *a multitude of captives.*
[c] Jno. 3. 13. 6. 33, 62.
[d] Ac. 10. 28. Ro. 16. 25.
[e] Ac. 1. 9, 11.
[f] Ga. 3. 28, 29.
[g] Ac. 2. 33.
[‖] or, *fulfil.*
[h] Ga. 3. 14.
[i] 1 Co. 12. 7.
[e] or, *into.*
[k] 1 Co. 15. 9. 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[l] Col. 2. 2.
[m] 1 Co. 14. 20. Col. 1. 28.
[n] or, *age.*
[n] Col. 1. 26.
[o] Jno. 1. 3. Col. 1. 16. He. 1. 2.
[‡] or, *being sincere.*
[p] Zec. 8. 16. 2 Co. 4. 2. 1 Jno. 3. 18.
[r] ch. 1. 22.
[s] 1 Co. 2. 7. 1 Ti. 3. 16.
[t] He. 4. 16.
[u] 2 Co. 1. 6.
[v] Ro. 1. 21.
[x] Ac. 26. 18.
[§] or, *hardness.*
[y] ch. 6. 10. Col. 1. 11.
[z] Ro. 7. 22. 2 Co. 4. 16.
[a] ch. 2. 22. Jno. 14. 23.
[b] Col. 1. 23. 2. 7.
[c] Col. 3. 7. 1 Pe. 4. 3.

which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled [a] with all the fulness of God.

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, [d] according to the power that worketh in us,

21 Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

CHAP. IV.

I THEREFORE, [i] the prisoner [t] of the Lord,) beseech you that ye [k] walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit [n] in the bond of peace.

4 *There* [o] is one body, and [p] one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

5 One [q] Lord, [r] one faith, [s] one baptism,

6 One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and [t] through all, and in you all.

7 But [y] unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

8 Wherefore he saith, [b] When he ascended up on high, he led [§] captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now [c] that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also [e] that ascended up far above all heavens, [f] that he might [‖] fill all things.)

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For [i] the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13 Till we all come [e] in the unity of the faith, [i] and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto [k] a perfect man, unto the measure of the [i] stature of the fulness of Christ:

14 That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15 But [‡] speaking [p] the truth in love, [r] may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, *even* Christ:

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, [s] in the vanity of their mind,

18 Having [x] the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the [§] blindness of their heart:

19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But ye have not so learned Christ:

21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22 That ye put off concerning [c] the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts.

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23 And [a] be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
24 And that ye [b] put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and [c] true holiness.
25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for [d] we are members one of another.
26 Be *ye* angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:
27 Neither [e] give place to the devil.
28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have [†] to give to him that needeth.
29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but [‡] that which is good [‡] to the use of edifying, [‡] that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
30 And [g] grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, [g] with all malice:
32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, [h] forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

CHAP. V.

BE [a] ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
2 And [f] walk in love, [f] as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God [k] for a sweetsmelling savour.
3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;
4 Neither [l] filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
6 Let [c] no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of [§] disobedience.
7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.
8 For [i] ye were sometimes darkness, but now [k] *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of light:
9 (For [k] the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
10 Proving [m] what is acceptable unto the Lord.
11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather [n] reprove *them*.
12 For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.
13 But [p] all things that are ‖ reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.
14 Wherefore [‡] he saith, [q] Awake thou that sleepest, and [r] arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.
15 See [s] then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
16 Redeeming the time, [t] because the days are evil.
17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.
18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;
19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;
20 Giving [c] thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;
21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
22 Wives, [u] submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of [k] the body.
24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.
25 Husbands, [k] love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and [m] gave himself for it;
26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it [v] with the washing of water [p] by the word,
27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, [r] not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:
30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.
31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.
32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.
33 Nevertheless [s] let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.

CHAP. VI.

CHILDREN, [a] obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
2 Honour [d] thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;
3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but [f] bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
5 Servants, [t] be obedient to them that are *your* masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, [f] in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;
6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;
7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:
8 Knowing [x] that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether *he be* bond or free.
9 And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, [a] forbearing [r] threatening: knowing that † your Master also is in heaven; [t] neither is there respect of persons with him.
10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11 Put [r] on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
12 For we wrestle not against § flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against [z] the rulers of the darkness of this world, against ‖ spiritual wickedness in [•] high *places*.

A. D. 64.

[a] Ro. 12. 2. Col. 3. 10.
[b] Ro. 6. 4.
[c] 2 Co. 5. 17.
[d] Ps. 34. 1. Is. 63. 7.
[e] or, *holiness of truth.*
[d] Ro. 12. 5.
[e] Ge. 3. 16. 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[f] Ps. 37. 8.
[g] 2Co.2.10,11. Ja. 4. 7. 1 Pe. 5. 9.
[h] ch. 1. 23.
[†] or, *to distribute.*
[i] Col. 4. 6. 1 Th. 5. 11.
[k] 1 Pe. 3. 7.
[‡] or, *to edify profitably.*
[l] Col. 3. 16.
[m] Ac. 20. 28.
[n] Is. 63. 10. Eze. 16. 63.
[o] Jno. 3. 5. Tit. 3. 5.
[p] Jno. 15. 3.
[q] Ca. 4. 7.
[r] Tit. 3. 3.
[s] Mar. 11. 25.
[t] Lu. 6. 36.
[u] Jno. 13. 34. 15. 12.
[v] He. 7. 27. 1 Jno. 3. 16.
[x] 2 Co. 2. 15.
[a] Col. 3. 19.
[b] Mat. 12. 35.
[c] Pr. 23. 22.
[d] Ex. 20. 12. Le. 35. 18.
[e] Mat. 21. 4.
[§] or, *unbelief.* Col. 3. 6.
[f] De. 4. 9. Pr. 22. 6.
[g] Is. 9. 2. Mat. 4. 16. Ro. 1. 21.
[h] Jno. 12. 46.
[i] 1 Pe. 2. 18.
[k] Ga. 5. 22.
[l] 1 Ch. 29. 17.
[m] Ro. 12. 2.
[n] Le. 19. 17.
[o] Ro. 2. 6. 2 Co. 5. 10.
[p] Jno.3.20,21. He. 4. 13.
‖ or, *discovered.*
[•] or, *moderating.*
[r] Le. 25. 43.
† Some read, *both your and their Master.*
[‡] or, *it.*
[q] Is. 60. 1.
[t] Ro. 14. 11. Col. 3. 25.
[u] Jno. 5. 25.
[v] Col. 4. 5.
[x] Ro. 13. 12. 1 Th. 5. 8.
[y] Ex. 12. 1.
§ *blood and flesh.*
[z] Lu. 22. 53.
‖ or, *wicked spirits.*
[•] or, *heavenly*, ch. 1. 3.

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13 Wherefore [a] take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having [a] done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and [d] having on the breastplate of righteousness;

15 And [e] your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 Above all, taking [f] the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

17 And [h] take the helmet of salvation, and [i] the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

18 Praying [k] always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and [l] watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth [b] boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

20 For which [c] I am an ambassador in [†] bonds: that [‡] therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

21 But that ye also may know my affairs, *and* how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:

22 Whom [d] I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and *that* he might comfort your hearts.

23 Peace *be* to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

24 Grace *be* with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ [§] in [m] sincerity. Amen.

[¶] Written from Rome unto the Ephesians by Tychicus.

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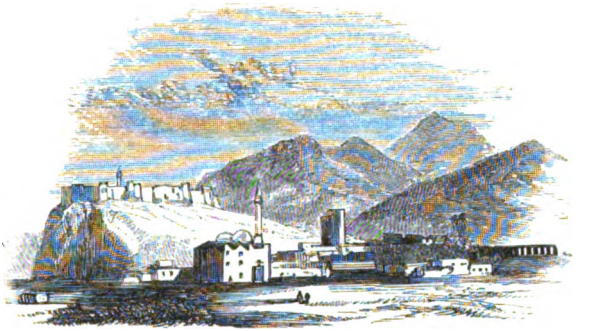
[a] 2 Co. 10. 4.
[b] 2 Co. 3. 12.
[c] 2 Co. 5. 20. Phi. 1. 7.
[e] or, *over-come all.*
[†] or, *a chain.*
[‡] or, *thereof.*
[d] 2 Co. 6. 7.
[e] Is. 52. 7.
[f] 1 Joo. 5. 4.
[g] Col. 4. 3.
[h] Is. 59. 17.
[i] Ho. 4. 12.
[j] 1 Pe. 5. 14.
[k] Lu. 18. 1.
[l] Mat. 24. 41.
[§] or, *with incorruption.*
[m] Tit. 2. 7.

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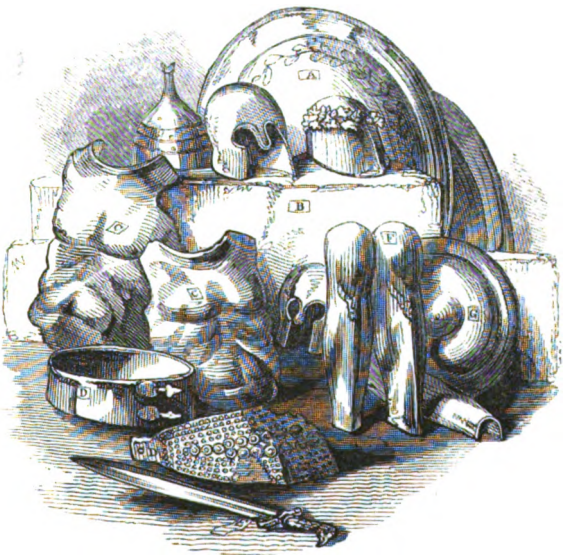
CH. I.—EPHESUS. This celebrated city of Asia Minor, or rather its site, is about thirty-five miles south of Smyrna, lying on the river Cayster, which runs into the sea at a distance of five miles. It was considered a maritime city. It was one of the most considerable of the Greek cities; but while, about the epoch of the introduction of Christianity, the other cities declined, Ephesus rose more and more. It had splendid wharfs and docks, and became an emporium for the surrounding parts. But it was chiefly famous for its temple of Diana, the magnificence of which attracted a great concourse of strangers. Its length was 425 feet, breadth 220; and it had 127 pillars, 60 feet high, presented by as many kings. All the provinces of Asia contributed to the expenses of the building, and 200 years were employed on it. The ancients placed it among the seven wonders of the world. There had been a previous temple, which was burnt down on the night in which Alexander was born, by an obscure person of the name of Eratostratus, who thus sought to transmit his name to posterity. The new temple was built of cedar, cypress, white marble, and refined gold, with which it glittered. In this temple Diana was worshipped under the name of Artemis. She must not be confounded with Diana of the bow and quiver, the sister of Apollo. Costly and magnificent offerings of various kinds were made to the goddess, and treasured in the temple, such as paintings and statues, the value of which almost exceeded computation. The fame of the temple, of the goddess, and of the city itself, was spread not only through Asia, but the world—a celebrity which was enhanced and diffused the more readily, because sacred games were practised there, which called competitors and spectators from every country. The silversmiths of Ephesus enriched themselves by making silver shrines for Diana. These were either purchased by foreigners, who either could not perform their devotions at the temple itself, or who, after having done so, carried them away as memorials, or for purposes of worship. This temple seven times set on fire, and it was finally burnt by the Goths, in the reign of Gallienus. The Ephesians were addicted to the study of curious arts, to magic, sorcery, and judicial astrology. Dr. Chandler gives an accurate description of the state of Ephesus in 1774. He says: "The inhabitants are a few Greek peasants, living in extreme wretchedness, dependance, and insensibility; the representatives of an illustrious people, and inhabiting the wreck of their greatness; some in the substructions of the glorious edifices which they raised; some beneath the vaults of the stadium, once the crowded scene of their diversions; and some by the abrupt precipice, in the sepulchres which received their ashes. Its streets are obscured and overgrown. A herd of goats was driven to it for shelter from the sun at noon, and a noisy flight of crows from the quarries seemed to insult its silence. We heard the partridge call in the area of the theatre and of the stadium. The glorious pomp of its heathen worship is no longer remembered, and Christianity, which was here nursed by apostles, &c., until it increased to fulness of stature, barely lingers on in an existence hardly visible." So early as the time of John religion began to decline in the church existing in this city, for which the Divine Master denounced against it that he would come quickly, and remove its candlesticks out of its place. This denunciation has been accomplished; and a fate similar to that which visited the church has befallen the city. The plough has passed over the site, and green corn may be seen growing amidst the forsaken ruins.

CH. VI. 13, &c.—GREEK AND ROMAN BREASTPLATES, &c. See cut. *A. Greek shield.* Shield and buckler are synonymous terms, but the buckler was larger than the shield, and guarded the whole body. It was also hollow and oblong. They were often adorned with birds, beasts, &c. The shield was of various shapes, but often round, and sometimes had knobs projecting from its centre. These were sometimes made of wood, but more generally of hides. They often had several coats of hide, and covered them with brass. The shield was fastened by straps to the left arm. *B. Greek helmet.* The helmets were made of the skins of beasts with the hair attached to them, and of metals, generally brass. The helmet was usually crowned with a plume or crest as an ornament. *C. Roman breastplate.* This was probably the cuirass, so the word signifies used by the apostle in ch. vi. 14. It covered the body from the neck to the thighs, and consisted of two parts, one defending the front, the other the back. It was generally made of rings, but sometimes of small brass plates, overlaying each other, like the scales of a fish. *D. Roman girdles.* Girdles were curious, and often expensive, and were used to confine the flowing robes in use. But the soldier's girdle seems sometimes to have been a cincture of iron and steel, and designed to keep every part of the armour in its place, where they carried their money, their sword, their pipe, their writing instruments, &c. *E. Roman sword.* An offensive weapon worn at the side, and adapted either to cut or stab. The Roman sword was a strong broad blade, cutting on both edges, and in general was more of a dagger than a sword. *F. Greek greaves.* These were made either of brass, copper, or other metals, to defend the legs. *G. Light shield.* The light shield was a small light buckler in the shape of a half-moon. In this chapter vi. the apostle describes the Christian soldier as armed *cap-a-pe*. He compares truth to the girdle, which would brace up the man against the assaults of the adversary. Righteousness he calls the breastplate; integrity, holiness, sincerity. The feet shod with spikes to stand firm, and greaves to guard the legs, he considers as emblematical of that Gospel by which they would be enabled to stand in battle. But above all he valued the shield of faith, for this protected all the other armour. The helmet of salvation was also a material part. As that defended the head, so the hope of salvation will defend the soul from the blows of the enemy. Last of all, the sword of the Spirit is essential to the Christian. By this Christ resisted the tempter, and by this we may resist him now. The word of God is a mighty weapon.

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EPHESUS.—*La Borde.*



GROUP OF GREEK AND ROMAN ARMOUR.—*British Museum.*—Eph. vi. 13. (See note.)

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the PHILIPPIANS.

Written as a testimony of love for their kindness, and to console them in affliction.

CHAP. I.

PAUL and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

2 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 I [a] thank my God upon every [*] remembrance of you,

4 Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy,

5 For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now;

6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun [d] a good work in you will [†] perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:

7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because [‡] I have you [‖] in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers [§] of my grace.

8 For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

9 And this I pray, [P] that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all [‖] judgment;

10 That [r] ye may [*] approve things that [†] are excellent; [s] that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ;

11 Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, [t] which *are* by Jesus Christ, [u] unto the glory and praise of God.

12 But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things *which happened* unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel;

13 So that my bonds [‡] in Christ are manifest [y] in all [§] the palace, and [‖] in all other *places;*

14 And many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will:

16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:

17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.

18 What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.

19 For I know that this shall turn to my salvation [f] through your prayer, and the supply of [f] the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

20 According to [m] my earnest expectation and *my* hope, that [n] in nothing I shall be ashamed, but *that* [*] with all boldness, as always, *so* now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether *it be* by life, or by death.

21 For to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain.

22 But if I live in the flesh, this *is* the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.

A. D. 64.

[a] Ro. 1. 8, 9. Ep. 1. 15, 16.
[*] or, *mention.*
[b] 2 Co. 1. 14. 5. 12.
[c] Ep. 4. 1. 1 Th. 4. 1.
[d] Jno. 6. 29.
1 Th. 1. 3.
[e] 1 Co. 1. 10.
[f] Jude 3.
[†] or, *finish* it.
[g] 2 Th. 1. 5.
[‡] or, *ye have me in your heart.*
[h] 2 Co. 3. 2.
[i] Ro. 8. 17.
2 Ti. 2. 11.
[k] Ac. 5. 41.
Ro. 5. 3.
[§] or, *with me of grace.*
[l] Ep. 2. 8.
[m] 2 Co. 4. 11.. 16.
[n] Col. 2. 1.
[o] Ac. 16. 19, &c
[P] 1 Th. 3. 12.
Phile. 6.
[‖] or, *sense.*
[r] Ep. 5. 10.
[s] or, *try.*
[†] or, *differ.*
[t] Ac. 24. 16.
[u] Jno. 3. 29.
[v] Jno. 15. 4, 5.
Col. 1. 6.
[w] Ep. 1. 12, 14.
[x] Ga. 5. 26.
Ja. 3. 14.
[‡] or, *for.*
[y] ch. 4. 22.
[§] or, *Cæsar's court.*
[‖] or, *to all others.*
[z] Jno. 13. 15.
[a] Jno. 1. 1, 2.
He. 1. 3.
[b] Jno. 5. 18.
10. 33.
[c] Ps. 22. 6.
Is. 53. 3.
[d] Is. 42. 1.
Mat. 20. 28.
[e] Jno. 1. 14.
[*] or, *habit.*
[f] He. 5. 8.
12. 2.
[g] Ep. 1. 20, 21.
[h] Mat. 28. 18.
Ro. 14. 13.
[i] 2 Co. 1. 11.
[k] Jno. 13. 13.
[l] Ro. 8. 9.
[m] Ro. 8. 19.
[n] Ro. 5. 5.
[o] Ep. 6. 19, 20.
[P] Ep. 6. 5.
[r] 2 Co. 3. 5.
He. 13. 21.
[†] or, *sincere.*

23 For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:

24 Nevertheless to abide in the flesh *is* more needful for you.

25 And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith;

26 That [b] your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you again.

27 Only [c] let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, [*] with one mind [f] striving together for the faith of the gospel;

28 And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: [g] which is to them an evident token of perdition, [‡] but to you of salvation, and that of God.

29 For unto you [h] it is given in the behalf of Christ, [‡] not only to believe on him, but also [§] to suffer for his sake;

30 Having [§] the same conflict [‖] which ye saw in me, *and* now hear *to be* in me.

CHAP. II.

IF *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

2 Fulfil [r] ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.

3 *Let* [s] nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

5 Let [t] this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, [u] being in the form of God, [‖] thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But [v] made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form [d] of a servant, and [v] was made in the [*] likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and [‡] became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and [g] given him a name which is above every name:

10 That [k] at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;

11 And [k] *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with [P] fear and trembling.

13 For [r] it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure.

14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

15 That ye may be blameless and [†] harm-

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less, [c] the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of [b] a crooked and perverse nation, among whom [c] ye [c] shine as lights in the world;

16 Holding forth the word of life; that [c] I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

17 Yea, and if [d] I be † offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, [A] I joy, and rejoice with you all.

18 For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.

19 ‡ But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state.

20 For I have no man § likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.

21 For all [e] seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

22 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel.

23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.

24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.

25 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and [e] fellowsoldier, [f] but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.

26 For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick.

27 For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

28 I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful.

29 Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and [l] hold such in reputation:

30 Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.

CHAP. III.

FINALLY, my brethren, [b] rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you *it is* safe.

2 Beware of dogs, beware of [c] evil workers, / beware of the concision.

3 For we are [g] the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

4 Though [f] I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:

5 Circumcised [m] the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, [P] a Pharisee;

6 Concerning [r] zeal, persecuting the church; [s] touching the righteousness which is in the law, [m] blameless.

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss [t] for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and

A. D. 64.

[c] Mat. 5. 45. Ep. 5. 1.
[b] De. 32. 5.
[c] or, *shine ye.*
[c] Mat. 3. 14, 16.
[d] Ro. 3 21, 22. 9. 30. 10. 3, 6. Ga. 2. 16.
[e] 2 Co. 1. 14. 1 Th. 2. 19.
[f] Ro. 6. 3, 5. 8. 17. 2 Ti. 2. 11, 12. 1 Pe. 4. 13.
[g] 2 Ti. 4. 6.
† *poured forth.*
[A] 2 Co. 7. 4. Col. 1. 24.
[i] 1 Ti. 6. 13.
‡ or, *Moreover.*
[k] Ho. 12. 23.
§ or, *so dear unto me.*
[l] 1 Co. 10. 33. 13. 5.
[m] Ps. 45. 10.
[n] 1 Co. 9. 24, 25. He. 6. 1.
[o] Ga. 1. 1.
[P] 1 Co. 2. 6.
[r] Ga. 6. 16.
[s] Phile. 2.
[t] 2 Co. 8. 23.
[u] 2 Co. 11. 15.
[x] 2 Pe. 3. 1.
[y] Ho. 4. 11.
[z] Ep. 2. 6, 19. Col. 2. 1, 3.
[a] 1 Co. 15. 43, 48, 49. 1 Jno. 3. 2.
|| or, *honour such.*
[c] Ep. 1. 19.
[a] 1 Co. 15. 26, 27.
[b] 2 Co. 13. 11. 1 Th. 5. 16.
[c] ch. 1. 8.
[d] ch. 1. 27.
[e] 2 Co. 11. 13.
[f] Ro. 2. 28. Ga. 5. 2.
[g] De. 30. 6. Je. 4. 4. Ro. 2. 29. 4 6. 12.
[A] Jno. 4. 23, 24.
[i] 2 Co. 11. 18, 21.
[k] Ex. 32. 33. Da. 12. 1. Re. 3. 5. 21. 27.
[l] 1 Ps. 4. 13.
[m] Ge. 17. 12.
[n] He. 10. 25. Ja. 5. 8, 9. 2 Pe. 3. 8, 9.
[o] Ps. 55. 22. Mat. 6. 25.
[P] Ac. 26. 4, 5.
[r] Ac. 22. 3. Ga. 1. 13, 14.
[s] Ro. 10. 5.
[t] Jno. 14. 27. Ro. 5. 1. Col 3. 15.
[u] Lu. 1. 6.
[v] or, *venerable.*
[w] Is. 53. 11. Je. 9. 23, 24. Jno. 17. 3. 1 Co. 1. 2.

do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,

9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but [d] that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and / the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

12 Not as though I had already [t] attained, either were already [b] perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, [m] forgetting those things which are behind, and [n] reaching forth unto those things which are before,

14 I [o] press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

15 Let us therefore, as many as be [P] perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.

16 Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk [r] by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.

17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ:

19 Whose [u] end *is* destruction, whose God *is their* belly, and [v] *whose* glory *is* in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

20 For [w] our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

21 Who [y] shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, [z] according to the working whereby he is able [a] even to subdue all things unto himself.

CHAP. IV.

THEREFORE, my brethren dearly beloved and [c] longed for, my joy and crown, so [d] stand fast in the Lord, *my* dearly beloved.

2 I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.

3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and *with* other my fellowlabourers, whose names *are* in [b] the book of life.

4 Rejoice / in the Lord alway: *and* again I say, Rejoice.

5 Let your moderation be known unto all men. [m] The Lord *is* at hand.

6 Be [e] careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

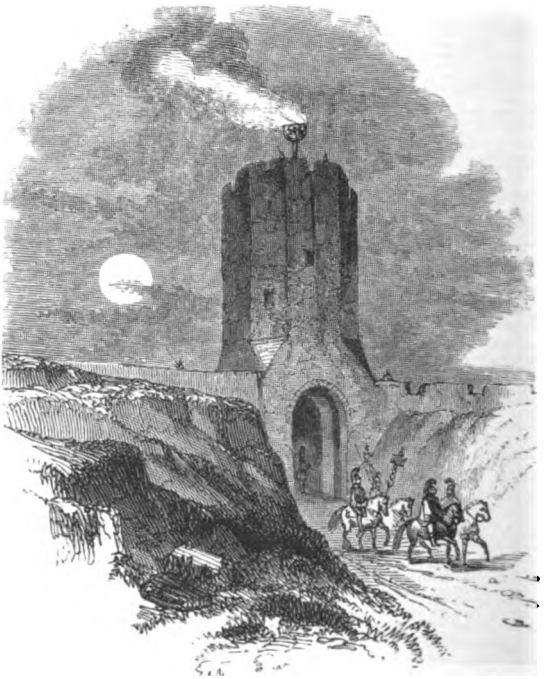
7 And [f] the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* [v] honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good re-

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MAMERTINE PRISON AT ROME.—Phil. i. 7.



ROMAN PHAROS OR LIGHT-TOWER.—*At Dover.*—Phil. ii. 15, 16.

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port; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things.

9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and [d] the God of peace shall be with you.

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me [†] hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, [e] but ye lacked opportunity.

11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, [f] *therewith* to be content.

12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

13 I can do all things [g] through Christ which strengtheneth me.

14 Notwithstanding ye have well done, that [h] ye did communicate with my affliction.

15 Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no [P] church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.

16 For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.

17 Not because I desire a gift: but I desire [§] fruit that may abound to your account.

18 But [*] I have all, and abound: I am full, having received [‡] of Epaphroditus the things *which were sent* from you, [a] an odour of a sweet smell, [b] a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

19 But my God [A] shall supply all your need [c] according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

20 Now [k] unto God and our Father *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

21 Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren which are with me greet you.

22 All the saints salute you, [m] chiefly they that are of Cæsar's household.

23 The [*] grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ It was written to the Philippians from Rome by Epaphroditus.

A. D. 64.

[a] Ro. 15. 33. 1 Co. 14. 33. He. 13. 20.
[b] Ro. 15. 26. Tit. 3. 14.
[c] or, *I have received all*
[†] or, *ye revived.*
[d] ch. 2. 25.
[e] Ga. 6. 10.
[f] He. 13. 16.
[g] 2 Co. 9. 12.
[h] Pr. 15. 16, 17. 1 Ti. 6. 6, 8.
[i] Ps. 23. 1. 84. 11.
[k] Ep. 1. 7. 3. 16.
[l] Ro. 16. 27. Ga. 1. 5.
[m] Jno. 15. 5. 2 Co. 12. 9.
[n] ch. 1. 7.
[o] Ro. 16. 24.
[P] 2 Co. 11. 8, 9.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 7.—THE MAMERTINE PRISON. Rome has always been persecuting. Paganism had no mercy on Christians, and apostles of Christianity were not likely to escape. Nor, indeed, has it improved under corrupted Christianity, for to this moment the ecclesiastical powers are the most bitter foes of the religion of the Bible, and the dungeons of Rome are equally ready to receive the victims of the demon Popery. Rome is a city wonderful for its antiquity, and many of the magnificent ruins of its former greatness still remain. The antiquarian, the artist, the gentleman traveller, the superstitious, are all attracted to Rome. Here, in the dungeons of ecclesiastical tyrants, many a noble spirit has borne testimony to the truth unseen by the world, and many a martyr has fallen under the despots of former ages, and the later dispots of the inquisition. While this is writing, an illustrious Italian hero of the cause of Christ is in durance vile in the castle of St. Angelo, uncertain of his fate from the enemies of all righteousness. St. Angelo is a prison generally used for political prisoners, but in popish countries the civil and ecclesiastical authorities conveniently play into each other's hands, and the ghostly executioners, ashamed that their tyranny should be exposed, take shelter under the civil authorities. The castle of St. Angelo, being more accessible, is not so terrible as some other places of confinement. During the late revolt at Rome, the dungeons of the Inquisition being laid open, discovered some horridly revolting scenes, and skelotons, some of females, with part of the flesh and of the hair adhering to them. They might have died under torturing, or been starved to death. Unfortunately for human nature, this horrid dungeon was only exposed, but not destroyed, and yet remains to immure other unfortunate so-called heretics. But the most celebrated is the Mamertine prison, which claims particular notice, as being the oldest building in the city. It was founded by Ancus Martius, the fourth king of Rome. Servius Tullius, the sixth king of Rome, is said to have added a lower cell, which was called the Tullianum, though Sir William Gell throws a doubt on this statement. 'This unquestionable monument of ancient Rome is situated behind the arch of Septimius Severus, and on the declivity of the Capitoline hill, not far from the church of St. Nicola in Carcere. By the aid of torches the visitor descends under the little church of St. Giuseppe de Falegnami, built in 1539, by some modern steps, to the upper compartment, which is now formed into an oratory.' It is constructed of large masses of Peperine stone, probably so called from the town of Piperno, the ancient Privernum, where it is found in great abundance, or from the black spots on it resembling pepper. These stones are put together without cement. The upper cell is about twenty-seven feet by nineteen feet and a half, and nearly fourteen feet in height, and has been hewn out of the solid rock. Descending by a few steps more, we arrive at the lower cell, delineated in our view, which is only about six feet and a half in height, and nineteen feet by nine. Sir William Gell considers it to be the more ancient because it supports the superstructure. It is formed, according to his statement, 'by three courses of approaching stones laid horizontally, and not on the principle of an arch.' 'They are strangely united by cramps of iron, so that they are together as one flat stone, lightened by a slight curvature below, and perhaps in a great measure depending for support on the weight of the walls of the upper structure.' Through the circular aperture communicating with the upper chamber, it appears that prisoners, who were condemned to be strangled or to die of hunger, were thrust down into the lower cell. Here Jugurtha, and also other prisoners of note, perished. Jugurtha was suffered to die of hunger. Numbers of devotees are continually kneeling before the lower prison, where tradition states that the apostles Peter and Paul were confined by order of Nero.

CH. II. 15, 16.—ROMAN PHAROS, or LIGHT-TOWER. Pharos was a small island in the bay of Alexandria, about seven furlongs distant from the continent. It was joined to the Egyptian shore with a causeway, by Deniphanes, in the year before Christ 284; and upon it was built a celebrated tower, in the reign of Ptolemy Soter, and Philadelphos, by Sostratus, the son of Desiphanes. This tower, which was called the tower of Pharos, and which passed for one of the seven wonders of the world, was built with white marble, and could be seen at the distance of a hundred miles. On the top, fires were constantly kept, to direct sailors in the bay, which was dangerous and difficult of access. The building of this tower cost the Egyptian monarch 800 talents, which were equivalent to above 165,000 pounds English, if Attic talents, but if Alexandrian talents, double that sum. There was this inscription upon it, 'King Ptolemy to the gods, the saviours, for the benefit of sailors;' but Sostratus, the architect, wishing to claim all the glory, engraved his own name upon the stones, and afterwards filled the hollow with mortar, and wrote the above-mentioned inscription. When the mortar had decayed by time, Ptolemy's name disappeared, and the following inscription then became visible: 'Sostratus the Cnidian, son of Desiphanes, to the gods the saviours, for the benefit of sailors.' The emperor Claudius also ordered a tower to be built at the entrance of the port of Ostra, for the benefit of sailors, and it likewise bore the name of Pharos, an appellation afterwards given to every edifice which was raised to direct the course of sailors, either with lights or by signals. To these lights the apostle is generally supposed to refer in the passage here illustrated. Some, indeed, think there is an allusion to the lights of nature—the sun and the moon—but the other opinion is that which is now generally adopted.

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the COLOSSIANS.

Written about A. D. 62, to correct certain errors, and congratulate them on their flourishing state.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus *our* brother,

2 To the saints [a] and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 We [b] give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,

4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of [c] the love *which ye have* to all the saints,

5 For the hope [d] which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;

6 Which is come unto you, as *it is* in all the world; and [e] bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* also in you, since the day ye heard *of it*, and knew the grace of God in truth:

7 As ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ;

8 Who also declared unto us your [f] love in the Spirit.

9 For [g] this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with [h] the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

10 That [i] ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, [j] being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

11 Strengthened [k] with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

12 Giving [l] thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of [m] the inheritance of the saints in light:

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of ‖ his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins:

15 Who is [n] the image of the invisible God, [o] the firstborn of every creature:

16 For [p] by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17 And [q] he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

18 And [r] he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that [s] in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

19 For it pleased *the Father* that [t] in him should all fulness dwell;

20 And, having made peace through the blood [u] of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven.

21 And you, [v] that were sometime alienated and enemies ‡ in *your* mind ‖ by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

22 In the body of his flesh through death, [w] to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:

A. D. 64.

[a] 1 Co. 4. 17. Ep. 6. 21.
[b] Ro. 5. 3. 2 Co. 7. 4.
[c] 1 Co. 1. 4. Phi. 4. 6.
[d] Ep. 1. 23.
[e] He. 6. 10.
[f] or, *fully to preach the word of God* Ro. 15. 19.
[g] 2 Ti. 4. 8. 1 Pe. 1. 4.
[h] Ro. 16. 25.
[i] Mat. 13. 11.
[j] Mar. 4. 8. Joo. 15. 16. Phi. 1. 11.
† or, *among*.
[k] 1 Ti. 1. 1.
[l] Ro. 15. 30.
[m] 2 Co. 11. 2.
[n] Ep. 1. 15, 16.
[o] Ro. 12. 2. Ep. 5. 10, 17.
[p] Ep. 4. 1.
‡ or, *fear*, or, *care*.
[q] Joo. 15. 16. 6. 10.
[r] Ep. 3. 16.
[s] Phi. 3. 8.
[t] Ep. 5. 20.
[u] Ac. 26. 18. Ep. 1. 11.
§ or, *Wherein*
[v] Ep. 1. 8.
‖ *the Son of his love*. Mat. 3. 17. Ep. 1. 6.
[w] 2 Co. 4. 4. He. 1. 3.
[x] 1 Pe. 5. 9.
[y] Ro. 3. 14.
[z] Joo. 1. 3. He. 1. 2.
[a] 1 Th. 4. 1. Jude 3.
[b] Ep. 3. 17.
[c] Joo. 1. 1, 3. 17. 5.
[d] Mat. 15. 2.
[e] Ep. 5. 23.
¶ or, *elements*
† or, *among*.
[f] Joo. 1. 14.
[g] Joo. 3. 34.
[h] Joo. 1. 16.
[i] 1 Pe. 3. 22.
‡ or, *making peace*.
[j] Jo. 4. 4. Ro. 2. 29.
[k] Ep. 2. 14..16.
[l] Ro. 6. 6.
[m] Ep. 4. 18.
§ or, *by*.
‖ or, *in*.
[n] Ro. 6. 4.
[o] Lu. 1. 75.
Jude 24.
[p] Ep. 2. 1, 5.

23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *be* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

24 Who [x] now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for [y] his body's sake, which is the church:

25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, [z] to fulfil the word of God;

26 *Even* [a] the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, [b] but now is made manifest to his saints:

27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ † in you, [c] the hope of glory:

28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; [d] that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

CHAP. II.

FOR I would that ye knew what great conflict I have for you, and *for* them at Laodicea, and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh;

2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, [e] to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ;

3 § In [f] whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.

5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the [g] stedfastness of your faith in Christ.

6 As [h] ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, *so* walk ye in him:

7 Rooted [i] and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after / the tradition of men, after the [k] rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

9 For [l] in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

10 And [m] ye are complete in him, [n] which is the head of all principality and power:

11 In whom also ye are [o] circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in [p] putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

12 Buried [q] with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

13 And [r] you, being dead in your sins

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and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

14 Blotting [a] out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

15 *And* [d] having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in [e] it.

16 Let no man therefore judge you [f] in meat, or in drink, or [g] in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days:*

17 Which [h] are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ.

18 Let no man [i] beguile you of your reward [k] in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things [m] which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19 And not holding [n] the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.

20 Wherefore if ye be [r] dead with Christ from the [o] rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances,

21 (Touch [s] not; taste not; handle not;

22 Which all are to perish with the using;) [u] after the commandments and doctrines of men?

23 Which [w] things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and [x] neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

CHAP. III.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where [a] Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2 Set your [b] affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For [c] ye are dead, [d] and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4 When [e] Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

5 Mortify [h] therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, [i] which is idolatry:

6 For [m] which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

8 But [o] now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

9 Lie [r] not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

10 And have put on the new *man*, which [s] is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that [t] created him:

11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: [u] but Christ *is* all, and in all.

12 Put on therefore, [v] as the elect of God, holy and beloved, [x] bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing [y] one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a [z] quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye.

A. D. 64.

[a] 1 Co. XIII.
[b] Ro. 14. 17. Phi. 4. 7.
[c] Ep. 2. 15, 16.
[d] Ge. 3. 15. Is. 53. 12. Mat. 12. 29. Joh. 12. 31.
[e] 1 Co. 14. 25.
[e] or, *himself.*
[f] or, *for eating and drinking.*
[g] 1 Co. 10. 31.
[g] or, *in part.*
[h] 1 Th. 5. 18. He. 13. 15.
[i] He. 8. 5. 10. 1.
[k] 1 Pe. 3. 1.
[k] or, *judge against you*
[l] 1 Pe. 3. 7.
[m] *being a volunteer in humility.*
[n] Ep. 6. 1.
[o] Ese. 13. 3.
[r] 1 Ti. 1. 7.
[o] Ep. 4. 15, 16.
[p] Ep. 6. 4.
[p] 1 Pe. 2. 18.
[r] Ro. 7. 4, 6. Ga. 2. 19.
[s] or, *elements*
[t] 1 Ti. 4. 3.
[u] 1 Co. 7. 22.
[w] Is. 29. 13. Mat. 15. 9.
[x] 1 Ti. 4. 8.
[a] De. 10. 17. Ro. 2. 11. 1 Pe. 1. 17.
[b] or, *punishing, or, not sparing.*
[y] Lu. 18. 1. Ro. 12. 12.
[z] Ro. 8. 34. Ep. 1. 20.
[a] or, *mind.*
[c] Mat. 13. 11.
[d] Phi. 1. 7.
[e] Ro. 6. 2. Ga. 2. 20.
[d] 2 Co. 5. 7.
[e] 1 Joh. 3. 2.
[f] 1 Th. 4. 12.
[g] Ep. 5. 16.
[h] Ro. 8. 13. Ga. 5. 24.
[i] Mat. 15. 20.
[k] 1 Pe. 3. 15.
[l] Ep. 5. 5.
[m] Ep. 6. 21.
[n] Re. 22. 15.
[o] 1 Pe. 2. 1. Re. 12. 1.
[p] Phile. 10.
[r] Le. 19. 11.
[s] Ro. 12. 2.
[t] Ep. 2. 10.
[u] Ep. 1. 23.
[v] 1 Pe. 1. 2. Re. 17. 10.
[w] Ga. 5. 22. Phi. 2. 1. Ep. 4. 2, 32.
[y] Mar. 11. 25.
[y] or, *striving.*
[z] Ro. 15. 30.
[a] Mat. 5. 48. 1 Co. 2. 6. 14. 20. Phi. 3. 15.
[a] or, *filled.*
[b] or, *complaint.*

14 And above all these things [a] *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

15 And let [b] the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another [c] in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

17 And [f] whatsoever ye do in word *or* deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, [g] giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

18 Wives, [i] submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

19 Husbands, [k] love *your* wives, and be not bitter against them.

20 Children, [l] obey *your* parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.

21 Fathers, [o] provoke not your children *to anger*, lest they be discouraged.

22 Servants, [p] obey in all things *your* masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:

23 And whatsoever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;

24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: [r] for ye serve the Lord Christ.

25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and [s] there is no respect of persons.

CHAP. IV.

MASTERS, give unto *your* servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven.

2 Continue [y] in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;

3 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak [a] the mystery of Christ, [b] for which I am also in bonds:

4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

5 Walk [f] in wisdom toward them that are without, [g] redeeming the time.

6 Let your speech *be* alway with grace, [i] seasoned with salt, [k] that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

7 All my state shall [m] Tychicus declare unto you, *who is* a beloved brother, and a faithful minister and fellowservant in the Lord:

8 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts;

9 With [p] Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is *one* of you. They shall make known unto you all things which *are done* here.

10 Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas, (touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;)

11 And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only *are my* fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.

12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always [z] labouring [a] fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand [a] perfect and [a] complete in all the will of God.

13 For I bear him record, that he hath

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a great zeal for you, and them *that are* in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.

14 Luke, [a] the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.

15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.

16 And when [c] this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the *epistle* from Laodicea.

17 And say to Archippus, Take heed to the [f] ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.

18 The salutation by the hand of me Paul. [g] Remember my bonds. [h] Grace *be* with you. Amen.

¶ Written from Rome to the Colossians by Tychicus and Onesimus.

A. D. 64.

[a] 2 Ti. 4. 11.
[b] 1 Co. 4. 1, 2. Ep. 4. 11. 1 Ti. 4. 6.
[c] Mat. 25. 36. He. 13. 3.
[d] Ro. 16. 20, 24. He. 13. 25
[e] 1 Th. 5. 27.

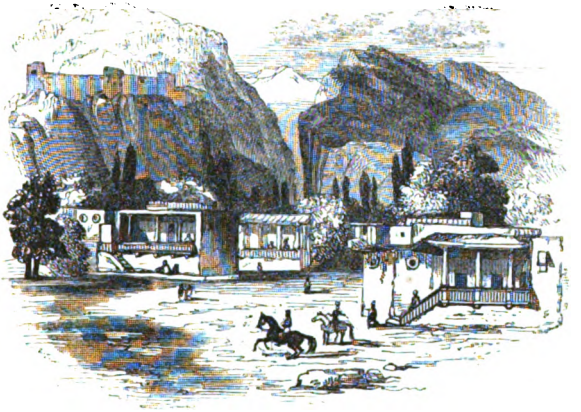
EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 2.—VARIOUS COSTUMES OF PHRYGIA. Phrygia, a country in Asia Minor. Phrygia was divided into Phrygia Major, of which Laodicea, Hierapolis, and Colosse, were cities; and Phrygia Minor, in which was Troy, the siege of which is celebrated in Homer. The Phrygians claimed to be the most ancient people of the world, and it is said that this claim was admitted by the Egyptians, who, though boastful of their own antiquity, were content to regard themselves as second to the Phrygians. Like other parts of Asia Minor which were distinguished provinces under the Roman empire, Phrygia is first historically known as a kingdom, and continued such until it was made a province of the Lydian monarchy. It remained a province of that monarchy until Crœsus, king of Lydia, was conquered by Cyrus of Persia, who added the Lydian kingdom to his empire. After that, Phrygia, like the rest of Asia Minor, became successively subject to the Greeks, the Romans, and the Turks. Phrygia was anciently celebrated for its fertility; but, under the Moslem yoke, a great part of the country lies uncultivated. Phrygia was divided by Constantine into two districts, called Phrygia Salutaris, and Phrygia Pacatiana. The country was mostly level, with a rich soil, which accounts for its fertility, and produced many choice commodities for exportation. They carried on a considerable commerce, having a safe coast and convenient harbours. They were idolaters, and, it is said, were the first inventors of divination by birds. Their characters are described as superstitious, voluptuous, and effeminate, without any pruriency or forecast, and of such a servile temper, that nothing but stripes and illusage could make them comply with their duty. Such were the people inhabiting the country of the Colossians. What a change must then have passed on those whom the apostle addresses as "saints and faithful brethren in Christ!" Respecting their various costumes the cut speaks for itself, which is collected from the antique.

CH. I. 2.—COLOSSÆ, or, as it is in many manuscripts, Colassæ. As before stated above, Colosse was a city in the province of Phrygia Magna, in Asia Minor. It was situated on a hill near the junction of the rivers Lycus and Meander, and not far from the cities of Hierapolis and Laodicea. Herodotus, the Greek historian, informs us that it was a great city of Phrygia, standing where the river Lycus, running under ground, disappears; but, rising up again above ground, at the distance of about five stadia or furlongs, empties itself into the river Meander. Lying in the southern part of the province, it was nearly directly east of Ephesus, north of Laodicea, and nearly west of Antioch in Pisidia. Xenophon mentions the city of Colosse as being 'a city well inhabited, pleasant, and large.'—*Expedit. Cyr.* In the time of Strabo, however, it seems to have been much diminished in size, as it is mentioned by him among the smaller towns. On the authority of Pliny, we learn that in the latter part of the reign of Nero, and not long after the epistle to the Colossians was written, Colosse, Laodicea, and Hierapolis, were at the same time overwhelmed by an earthquake.—*Plin. Hist. Nat.* lib v., c. 41. Colosse recovered, however, from the shock, and is mentioned by the Byzantine writers as among the most opulent cities. The government of this city was originally democratical, and its first ruler called Archon. The ancient town is now extinct, but its site is occupied by a village called Chonos, or Khonas. The village is described by Arundel as being situated most picturesquely under the immense range of mount Cadmus, which rises to a very lofty and perpendicular height behind the village. In some part clothed with pines, in others bare of soil, with vast chasms and caverns. The immense perpendicular chasm seen in the view affords an outlet to a mountain torrent, the bed of which is dry in summer. The approach to the village is as wild as the village itself is beautiful, abounding in tall trees, from which vines of the most luxuriant growth are suspended. In the immediate neighbourhood are several vestiges of an ancient city, consisting of arches, vaults, and squared stones, while the ground is strewed with broken pottery, which so generally and so remarkably indicates the site of ancient towns in the East. That these ruins are all that now remain of Colosse there seems no reason to doubt. It is evident that a Christian church was planted at Colosse before it was destroyed by the earthquake, A.D. 65: see ch. I. 2 Although the apostle Paul had twice visited the northern parts of Phrygia, it does not positively appear that he ever was at Colosse itself; but as the Gospel was first preached in Phrygia by Paul and Silas, accompanied also by Timothy, Acts xv. 40, 41; xvi. 1—5, 6; and as it is said that they went throughout Phrygia, visiting Iconium, Antioch, that they went to the principal cities and towns, the inference is natural that Colosse was favoured with his preaching. Besides, in Acts xviii. 23, it is said that Paul visited Phrygia again, after he had been to Philippi, Athens, Jerusalem, and Antioch. He "went over all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples." It is not, indeed, expressly said of Paul and Silas that they went to Colosse, but as this was one of the principal cities of Phrygia, there is every reason to suppose that they preached the Gospel there. It has been inferred, from the apostle's expression, "as many as have not seen my face in the flesh," that he was neither at Colosse nor Laodicea; but it may be interpreted as only speaking of individuals who had not seen the apostle when at Colosse, but this did not imply that many others might not have seen him. And it may be fairly understood from the apostle's language, ch. I. 21—29, that he had himself, as a messenger of Christ, dispensed the Gospel to these Colossians.

CH. II. 1.—LAODICEA. It formerly rose to the rank of one of the largest cities in Phrygia. Its earlier name was Diospolis, but Antiochus II. of Syria, enlarged it, and called it after his consort Laodice. It traded much in fine wools produced by its flocks. It was frequently exposed to earthquakes. There was once a flourishing church there, but it went to decay. The glory departed when religion declined. Its temples are now desolate, and the stately edifices of ancient Laodicea are peopled by wolves, and jackals, and foxes.

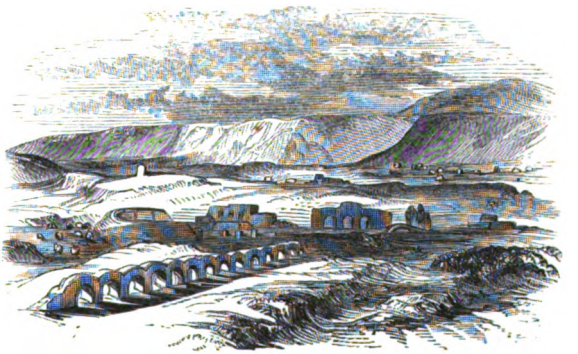
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COLOSSE.



VARIOUS COSTUMES OF PHRYGIA.—*From the Antique.*—Col. i. 2.



LAODICEA.—*La Borde.*—Col. ii. 1.

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The First Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the THESSALONIANS.

Written the first of the Epistles, and designed to confirm them in the faith and excite them to a holy conversation, A. D. 53.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians *which is* in God the Father and *in* the Lord Jesus Christ: [a] Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 We [d] give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

3 Remembering without ceasing [e] your work of faith, [f] and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

4 Knowing, brethren [g] beloved, [h] your election of God.

5 For [k] our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, [l] and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, [m] with joy of the Holy Ghost:

7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.

9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, [o] and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;

10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, [t] whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us [u] from the wrath to come.

CHAP. II.

FOR yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was not in vain:

2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at [x] Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.

3 For our exhortation *was* not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:

4 But as we were allowed of God [z] to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; [a] not as pleasing men, but God, [b] which trieth our hearts.

5 For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness; [c] God *is* witness:

6 Nor [k] of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor *yet* of others, when we might have [§] been burdensome, [l] as the apostles of Christ.

7 But [m] we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children:

8 So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also [p] our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.

9 For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail: for [q] labouring night and day, [r] because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God.

10 Ye *are* witnesses, and God *also*, [s] how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved ourselves among you that believe:

11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father *doth* his children,

12 That ye would walk worthy of God, [t] who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* [u] not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which [v] effectually worketh also in you that believe.

14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judæa are in Christ Jesus: for [w] ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they *have* of the Jews:

15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and [x] their own prophets, and have [y] persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men:

16 Forbidding [z] us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, [a] to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.

17 But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavoured the more abundantly to see your face with great desire.

18 Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but [b] Satan hindered us.

19 For what *is* our hope, or joy, or [c] crown of [‡] rejoicing? *Are* not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ [d] at his coming?

20 For ye are our glory and joy.

CHAP. III.

WHEREFORE when we could no longer forbear, [e] we thought it good to be left at Athens alone;

2 And sent [f] Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellow-labourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith:

3 That [g] no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that [h] we are appointed thereunto.

4 For [i] verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know.

5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, [k] lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.

6 But [l] now when Timotheus came from you unto us, and brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, [m] as we also *to see* you:

A. D. 54.

[a] 2 Co. 12. 13, 14.
[b] 2 Co. 7. 2. 2 Th. 3. 7.
[c] Ep. 1. 2.
[d] Ro. 1. 8. Ep. 1. 16. Phile. 4.
[e] Jno. 6. 29.
[f] 1 Co. 1. 9. 2 Th. 2. 14. 2 Ti. 1. 9.
[g] Ro. 16. 6. He. 6. 10.
[h] or, *beloved of God, your election.*
[k] Ep. 1. 4. Col. 3. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[l] Mat. 10. 40. Ga. 4. 14. 2 Pe. 3. 2.
[m] Mar. 16. 20.
[i] Col. 2. 2. He. 2. 3.
[n] Ac. 17. 5, 13.
[o] He. 10. 34.
[t] Mat. 5. 12. 23. 34, 37. Ac. 7. 52.
† or, *chased us out.*
[p] Lu. 11. 52. Ac. 13. 50.
[r] Ge. 15. 16. Mat. 23. 32.
[s] 1 Co. 12. 2. Ga. 4. 8.
[t] Ac. 2. 24.
[u] Ro. 1. 13.
[v] Mat. 3. 7. Ro. 5. 9.
[x] Pr. 16. 31.
‡ or, *glorying?*
[y] 1 Co. 15. 23. Re. 1. 7. 22. 12.
[z] Ac. 16. 22.
[a] Ac. 17. 15.
[b] Ro. 16. 21.
[c] 1 Co. 9. 17. Ga. 2. 7. Ti. 1. 3.
[d] Ga. 1. 10.
[e] Ep. 3. 13.
[f] Pr. 17. 3. Ro. 8. 27.
[g] Ac. 9. 16. 1 Pe. 2. 21.
[h] Ac. 20. 24.
[i] Ro. 1. 9.
[k] Jno. 5. 41, 44. 12. 43. 1 Ti. 5. 17.
§ or, *used authority.*
[l] 1 Co. 9. 1, 2, 5.
[m] 1 Co. 7. 5. 2 Co. 11. 3.
[n] 2 Ti. 2. 24.
[o] Ac. 18. 1, 5.
[p] 2 Co. 12. 15.
[q] Phi. 1. 8.
[r] Ac. 20. 34.
[s] 2 Co. 1. 12.
[t] Ga. 1. 15.
[u] Mat. 10. 40. Lu. 10. 16. Jno. 13. 20.
[v] 1 Co. 14. 24, 25.
[w] He. 10. 32.
[x] Mat. 23. 31.
[y] Ac. 7. 52.
[z] Ac. 13. 45, 50. 14. 2, 19.
[a] Ge. 15. 16. Mat. 23. 32.
[b] Da. 10. 13.
[c] Pr. 16. 31.
[d] Mat. 24. 3.
[e] Ac. 17. 15.
[f] Ac. 16. 1.
[g] Ac. 20. 19.
[h] 1 Th. 5. 3.
[i] Ac. 20. 23.
[k] 1 Co. 7. 5.
[l] Ac. 18. 5.
[m] Ro. 1. 11.

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7 Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress by your faith:

8 For now we live, if ye [b] stand fast in the Lord.

9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God;

10 Night and day [c] praying exceedingly that we might see your face, [d] and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?

11 Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, † direct *our* way unto you.

12 And the Lord [g] make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:

13 To the end he may [h] stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ [i] with all his saints.

CHAP. IV.

FURTHERMORE then we ‡ beseech you, brethren, and § exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus, [k] that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, *so* ye would abound more and more.

2 For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

3 For this is [l] the will of God, *even* [m] your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

4 That [n] every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, [o] even as the Gentiles which know not God:

6 That [p] no *man* go beyond and [q] defraud his brother in † *any* matter: because that the Lord [r] *is* the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.

7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, [s] but unto holiness.

8 He therefore that [t] despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, [u] who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God [x] to love one another.

10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;

11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and [a] to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

12 That [b] ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and *that* ye may have lack of [c] nothing.

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, [d] even as others which have no hope.

14 For [e] if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so [f] them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that [g] we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For [h] the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so [i] shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore [k] comfort one another with these words.

CHAP. V.

BUT of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

2 For yourselves know perfectly that [l] the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But [m] ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

5 Ye are all [n] the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but [o] let us watch and be sober.

7 For [p] they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, [r] putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

9 For [s] God hath not appointed us to wrath, [t] but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

11 Wherefore ‖ comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

12 And we beseech you, brethren, [x] to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;

13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. [y] *And* be at peace among yourselves.

14 Now we § exhort you, brethren, [a] warn them that are ‖ unruly, [b] comfort the feebleminded, [c] support the weak, [d] be patient toward all *men*.

15 See [e] that none render evil for evil unto any *man*; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all *men*.

16 Rejoice [f] evermore.

17 Pray [g] without ceasing.

18 In [h] every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

19 Quench [i] not the Spirit.

20 Despise not prophesyings.

21 Prove [k] all things; [l] hold fast that which is good.

22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

23 And [m] the very God of peace [n] sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24 Faithful [o] *is* he that calleth you, who also will do *it*.

25 Brethren, pray for us.

26 Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.

27 I † charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.

28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

¶ The first *epistle* unto the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

A. D. 54.

[a] Jno. 14. 3.
[b] or, *exhort.*
[c] Phi. 4. 1.
[d] Ro. 15. 32.
[e] Col. 4. 12.
[f] Lu. 12. 39, 40. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
† or, *guide.*
[g] Mar. 1. 3. ch. 4. 10.
[h] 2 Pe. 1. 7.
[i] Ro. 13. 12, 13. 1 Jno. 2. 8.
[k] Eph. 5. 8.
[l] 2 Th. 2. 17. 1 Jno. 3. 20, 21.
[m] Zec. 14. 5. Jude 14.
[n] Mat. 24. 42. 1 Co. 15. 34. Eph. 5. 14.
‡ or, *request.*
§ or, *beseech.*
[o] Phi. 1. 27. Col. 2. 6.
[p] Eph. 4. 14, 16, 17.
[r] Ro. 9. 22.
[s] 2 Th. 2. 13, 14
[t] Ro. 12. 2.
[u] Eph. 5. 27.
[x] Ro. 6. 19.
‖ or, *exhort.*
[a] Eph. 4. 17, 18.
[b] He. 13. 7, 17.
[c] Le. 19. 11, 13.
[d] or, *oppress,* or, *overreach.*
† or, *the matter.*
[a] 2 Th. 1. 8.
[b] Mar. 9. 50.
[c] Le. 19. 2. He. 12. 14.
‡ or, *refecteth*
§ or, *beseech.*
[d] 1 Jno. 3. 24.
[e] 2 Th. 3. 11, 12
‖ or, *disorderly.*
[f] He. 12. 12.
[g] Ro. 14. 1.
[h] Eph. 4. 2.
[i] Le. 19. 18. Mat. 5. 39, 44 1 Pe. 3. 9.
[j] Mat. 22. 39. Jno. 13. 34.
[k] 2 Co. 6. 10. Phi. 4. 4.
[l] Lu. 18. 1. Col. 4. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 7.
[m] Col. 3. 17.
[n] Ac. 20. 35.
[o] Ep. 4. 30.
[p] Ro. 13. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 12.
[r] 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[s] Phi. 4. 8.
[t] or, *no man.*
[u] Phi. 4. 9.
[x] ch. 3. 13.
[y] Le. 19. 28. Ep. 2. 12.
[z] 1 Co. 15. 13.
[a] 1 Co. 15. 23.
[b] He. 6. 13. 20
[c] 1 Co. 15. 51.
[d] Mat. 24. 30. Ac. 1. 11.
† or, *adjure.*
2 Th. 1. 7.

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The Second Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the THESSALONIANS.

Written to correct an erroneous notion of Christ's speedily coming to judgment, and to encourage them under persecution.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, and [a] Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

2 Grace [b] unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 We [c] are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;

4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:

5 *Which is* [d] a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:

6 Seeing [e] *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;

7 And to you who are troubled [f] rest with us, when [g] the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with [h] his mighty angels,

8 In [i] flaming fire †taking vengeance on them [k] that know not God, and [l] that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

9 Who [m] shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would ‡count you worthy of *this* calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of *his* goodness, [n] and the work of faith with power:

12 That [o] the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

CHAP. II.

NOW we beseech you, brethren, [p] by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by* our gathering together unto him,

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let [q] no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, [r] except there come a falling away first, and [s] that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself [t] above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what ‡withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

7 For [u] the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way.

A. D. 54.

[a] 2 Co. 1. 19.
[b] Da. 7. 10, 11.
[c] ch. 1. 8, 9. He. 10. 27.
[d] 1 Co. 1. 3.
[e] 1 Th. 1. 2, 3.
[f] De. 13. 1. Mat. 24. 24.
[g] 1 Ki. 22. 22. Eze. 14. 9. Ro. 1. 24, &c.
[h] 1 Th. 4. 1.
[i] Phi. 1. 28.
[k] Ro. 1. 32.
[l] Re. 6. 10.
[m] Ep. 1. 4.
[n] Lu. 1. 75. 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[o] He. 4. 9. Re. 14. 13.
[p] 1 Th. 4. 16. Jude 14.
[q] *the angels of his power*
[r] Jno. 17. 23. 1 Th. 2. 12.
[s] 2 Pe. 3. 7. Re. 21. 8.
† or, *yielding*
[t] Ps. 79. 6.
[u] Ps. 2. 12. Ro. 2. 8.
[v] 1 Co. 16. 13. Phi. 4. 1.
[w] Phi. 3. 19.
[x] Jno. 17. 2. 1 Jno. 4. 10. Re. 1. 5.
[y] 1 Pe. 1. 3.
[z] Ep. 3. 17. Phi. 2. 15. 1 Pe. 5. 10.
‡ or, *vouchsafe.*
[a] Ep. 6. 19.
[b] 1 Th. 1. 3.
§ *may run.*
[c] 1 Pe. 1. 7. 4. 14.
|| *abrurd.*
[d] Ac. 26. 24. Ro. 10. 16.
[e] Jno. 17. 15. 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[f] 1 Th. 4. 16, 17
[g] 1 Ch. 29. 18.
• or, *patience of Christ.*
[h] Mat. 24. 4. Ep. 5. 6.
[i] Ro. 16. 17. 2 Jno. 10.
[k] 1 Co. 5. 11, 13.
[l] 1 Ti. 4. 1.
[m] Da. 7. 25. Re. 13. 11, &c
[n] 1 Th. 2. 10.
[o] 1 Co. 8. 5.
[p] Ac. 18. 3. 20. 34.
[q] 1 Co. 9. 6. 1 Th. 2. 6.
† or, *holdeth.*
[r] 1 Jno. 2. 18. 4. 3.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, [k] whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy [l] with the brightness of his coming:

9 *Even him*, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and [m] signs and lying wonders,

10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

11 And [n] for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, [o] that they should believe a lie:

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but [p] had pleasure in unrighteousness.

13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath [q] from the beginning chosen you to salvation [r] through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to [s] the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

15 Therefore, brethren, [t] stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, [u] which hath loved us, and hath given *us* everlasting consolation and [v] good hope through grace,

17 Comfort your hearts, [w] and stablish you in every good word and work.

CHAP. III.

FINALLY, brethren, [x] pray for us, that the word of the Lord § may have *free* course, and be glorified, even as *it is* with you:

2 And that we may be delivered from ‖ unreasonable and wicked men: [y] for all *men* have not faith.

3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and [z] keep *you* from evil.

4 And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you.

5 And [a] the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the • patient waiting for Christ.

6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, [b] that ye withdraw yourselves [c] from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for [d] we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;

8 Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but [e] wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you:

9 Not [f] because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.

10 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

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11 For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

12 Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, [d] that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

13 But ye, brethren, [e] be [e] not weary in well doing.

14 And if any man obey not our word [f] by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.

A. D. 54.

[a] Lc. 19. 17. 1 Th. 5. 14.
[b] Tit. 3. 10.
[c] Ro. 15. 33.
1 Co. 14. 33.
[e] or, *faint not.*
[d] Ep. 4. 28.
[e] Ga. 6. 9.
[f] or, *signify that man by an epistle.*

15 Yet [g] count *him* not as an enemy, [h] but admonish *him* as a brother.

16 Now [i] the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord *be* with you all.

17 The salutation of Paul with mine own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I write.

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ The second *epistle* to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

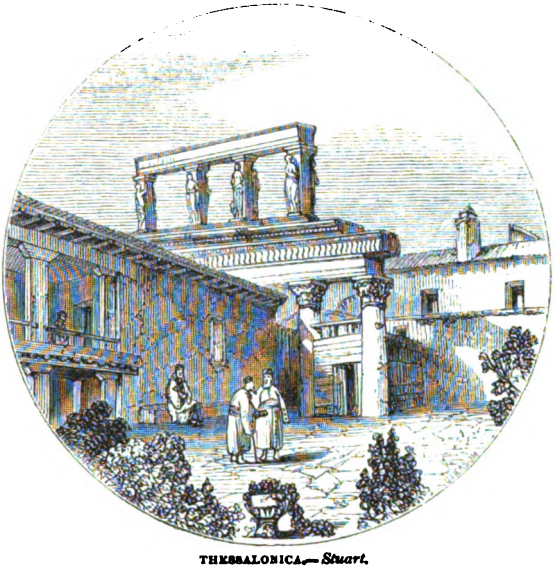
[g] Le. 19. 17. Mt. 18. 15. Ga. 6. 1.
[h] Ti. 3. 10.
[i] Ro. 15. 33.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

1 & 2 Thes.—THESSALONICA. Thessalonica was a city and sea-port of Macedonia. It was also its metropolis, a considerable mart, and hence the most populous city of the country. It was at the head of the bay Thermaicus, or the gulf of Thessalonica, and was, therefore, favourably situated for commerce. It was also on the great Ægean way, was possessed of an excellent harbour, and had great advantages for commerce through the Hellespont, and with Asia Minor and the adjacent countries. It was south-west of Philippi and Amphipolis, and a short distance north-east of Berea. Macedonia was an independent country until it was subdued by the Romans. The occasion of the wars which led to its conquest by the Romans was an alliance which was formed by Philip the Second with Carthage, during the second Punic war. The Romans delayed their revenge for a season; but Philip having laid siege to Athens, the Athenians called the Romans to their aid, and they declared war against the Macedonians. Philip was compelled to sue for peace, to surrender his vessels, to reduce his army to 500 men, and to defray the expenses of the war. Perseus, the successor of Philip, took up arms against the Romans, and was totally defeated at Pydna by Paulus Æmilius, and the Romans took possession of the country. Indignant at their oppression, the Macedonian nobility, and the whole nation, rebelled under Andriscus; but, after a long struggle, they were overcome by Quintus Cæcilius, surnamed, from his conquest, Macedonius, and the country became a Roman province, B.C. 148. It was divided into four districts, and the city of Thessalonica was made the capital of the second division, and was the station of a Roman governor and questor. At the time, therefore, that the Gospel was preached there, this whole country was subject to Roman authority. The city called, when Paul visited it, Thessalonica, was anciently called *Therme*, and by this name was known in the times of Herodotus, Thucydides, and Æschines. We are informed by Strabo, that Cassander named the name of Therme to Thessalonica in honour of his wife, who was a daughter of Philip. Others have said that the name was given to it by Philip himself, in memory of a victory which he obtained over the armies of Thessaly. In the time of Brutus and Cassius it was a city of so much importance, that the promise of being permitted to plunder the city, as the reward of victory, infused new courage into their armies. The city was inhabited by Greeks, Romans, and Jews. It adored many gods, but particularly Jupiter, as the father of Hercules, the alleged founder of its ancient royal family. It had a celebrated amphitheatre, where gladiatorial shows were exhibited for the amusement of the citizens, and a circus for public games. The Roman, and the population was, of course, introduced after the conquest, and it is impossible now to estimate the relative number of the Greeks and the Romans in the time when the Gospel was preached there. In common with most of the other cities of Greece, a considerable number of Jews resided there, who had a synagogue at the time when the city was visited by Paul, Acts xvii. 1. Little is known of the *morals* of the place, but there is reason to believe that it was somewhat distinguished for dissoluteness of manners. An ancient classic author says, 'The females, particularly, could claim little credit on the score of modest, retiring demeanour; for this virtue was in so low estimation in the city, that the place was selected as the scene of the wanton fancies of the satirist. The name of the place now is Salonica. It is a Turkish commercial town, and contains 70,000 inhabitants. Its situation and appearance are thus described by Dr. Clarke: 'The walls of Salonica give a very remarkable appearance to the town, and cause it to be seen at a great distance, being whitewashed; and what is still more extraordinary, they are painted. They extend in a semicircular manner from the sea, enclosing the whole of the buildings within a peninsula, whose circuit is five or six miles; but a great part of the space within the walls is void. It is one of the few remaining cities which has preserved the ancient form of its fortifications, the mural turrets yet standing, and the walls that support them being entire. The antiquity is perhaps unknown; for though they have been ascribed to the Greek emperors, it is very evident they were constructed in two distinct periods of time, the old Cyclopean masonry remaining in the lower parts of them, surmounted by an upper structure of brick-work. Like all the ancient and modern cities of Greece, its wretched aspect within is forcibly contrasted with the beauty of its external appearance. The houses are generally built of unburned bricks, and, for the most part, they are no better than so many hovels. It is, however, a flourishing commercial town, from which is exported the corn, cotton, wool, tobacco, bees-wax, and silk of Macedonia. It is the seat of a pasha, and the still burning its population a considerable proportion of Jews. Rabbi Benjamin of Tudela, who visited it in A.D. 1160, describes it under the name of *Saloniki*, and says that it was built by Seleucus, one of the four Greek nobles who acted after Alexander; and that when he visited it, it was "a large city containing about 500 Jewish inhabitants." "The Jews," says he, "are much oppressed in this place, and live by the exercise of handicrafts." He describes it as having at that time more Jewish inhabitants than any other town in Greece. Thebes alone excepted. It is said at present to contain about 20,000 Jewish inhabitants. Its favourable situation for commerce is probably the cause of the numerous assemblage of the Jews there. The Gospel was first preached in Thessalonica by Paul and Silas. After their release from imprisonment at Philippi, they passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, and came to Thessalonica.' This was the more important place, and they were probably attracted there because there were many Jews. Paul's custom in every place was to preach the Gospel first to them, and as there was a synagogue in Thessalonica, he entered it, and for three sabbath days reasoned respecting the Messiah. From this place they were driven by the opposition of the Jews. Nevertheless, here was an excellent church of Christ, consisting of Jews, Greeks, females of rank, and converted idolaters, Acts xvii. 4; 1 Thes. i. 9. For this interesting and laborious article the Editor is indebted to a popular commentator.

1 Thes. i. 7.—ACHAIA. Achaia, in its largest sense, comprehended the whole region of Greece. Achaia Proper was, however, a province of Greece, of which Corinth was the capital, and embracing the whole, if not, a considerable part, of the Peloponnesus. The Romans divided all the parts into two provinces, Macedonia and Achaia. It is worthy of remark, that Luke speaks of Gallio as being deputy or proconsul of Achaia at the time that Paul preached there (Acts xviii. 12); which was indeed the title borne by the superior officer in Achaia at that time, but which did not long continue, nor had it long been so at the time he wrote. The meaning of the apostle in the text must be taken extensively, signifying that the pious influence of the converted Thessalonians was felt in all the parts of Greece; that their piety was spoken of, and the effect of their conversion had been felt in all those places.

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THESSALONICA.—*Stuart.*



ACHAIA.—*Williams.*—1 Thes. i. 7.

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The First Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to TIMOTHY.

Giving him counsel how to conduct himself among the Ephesians, when Paul himself was driven from them by persecution; and written from Macedonia. See Acts xx. 1.

CHAP. 1.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ [a] by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, [b] *which is* our hope;

2 Unto Timothy, [c] *my* own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

3 As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, [d] when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some [e] that they teach no other doctrine,

4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, [f] which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: *so do.*

5 Now [g] the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and *of* a good conscience, and *of* faith unfeigned:

6 From which some [§] having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling;

7 Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.

8 But we know that [e] the law *is* good, if a man use it lawfully;

9 Knowing [h] this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,

10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

11 According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, [i] which was committed to my trust.

12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, [k] who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, [l] putting me into the ministry;

13 Who was before a blasphemer, [m] and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because [n] I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief.

14 And [o] the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

15 This *is a* faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that [p] Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

16 Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting.

17 Now unto [q] the King eternal, [r] immortal, [s] invisible, [t] the only wise God, *be* honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare;

19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck:

20 Of whom is Hymenæus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

A. D. 65.

[a] Ac. 9. 15.
[b] or, *desire.*
[b] Col. 1. 27.
[c] Tit. 1. 4.
[d] Ezr. 6. 10. Je. 29. 7.
[e] Ro. 13. 1.
† or, *eminent place.*
[f] Ro. 12. 2.
[g] Ac. 20. 1, 3.
[h] Ga. 1. 6, 7.
[i] Ezr. 18. 23. Jno. 3. 16, 17
[k] ch. 6. 4.
[l] He. 8. 6. 9. 15.
[m] Ro. 13. 8, 10. Ga. 5. 14.
[n] Mat. 20. 28.
‡ or, *a testimony.*
§ or, *not aiming at.*
[p] Ro. 11. 13. 15. 16. Ga. 1. 16.
[q] Mal. 1. 11. Jno. 4. 21.
[r] Ro. 7. 12.
[s] 1 Pe. 3. 3, 4.
[t] Ga. 3. 19. 5. 23.
‖ or, *plaited.*
[u] 1 Co. 14. 34.
[x] Ep. 5. 24.
[y] 1 Co. 11. 8, 9.
[z] 1 Co. 9. 17. Ga. 2. 7. Col. 1. 25. 2 Ti. 1. 11. Tit. 1. 3.
[a] Ge. 3. 6.
[b] 2 Co. 12. 9.
[c] 2 Co. 3. 5, 6.
[d] Ac. 8. 3. 9. 1.
[e] Lu. 23. 34. Jno. 9. 39, 41
[f] Ro. 5. 20. 1 Co. 15. 10.
[g] Ac. 20. 28. Phi. 1. 1.
[h] Tit. 1. 5. c.
[i] Lu. 5. 32. 19. 10. Ro. 5. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 5.
* or, *modest.*
† or, *Not ready to quarrel, and offer wrong, as one in wine.*
[k] 1 Pe. 5. 2.
[l] Da. 7. 14.
[m] Ro. 1. 23.
[n] Jno. 1. 18. He. 11. 27.
[o] Jude 25.
‡ or, *one newly come to the faith.*
[p] Ac. 6. 3.
[r] 1 Co. 5. 5.

CHAP. II.

I [a] EXHORT therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of thanks, be made for all men;

2 For [d] kings, and [e] *for* all that are in † authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

3 For this *is* [f] good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;

4 Who [i] will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

5 For *there is* one God, and [l] one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

6 Who [n] gave himself a ransom for all, ‡ to be testified in due time.

7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, *and* lie not;) [p] a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

8 I will therefore that men pray [r] every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

9 In like manner also, that [t] women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with ‖ broidered hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

12 But [v] I suffer not a woman to teach, [x] nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

13 For [y] Adam was first formed, then Eve.

14 And [e] Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

CHAP. III.

THIS *is a* true saying, If a man desire the office of a [g] bishop, he desireth a good work.

2 A [h] bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, * of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;

3 † Not given to wine, no striker, [k] not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;

4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;

5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

6 Not ‡ a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.

7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

8 Likewise *must* [p] the deacons *be* grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;

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9 Holding [a] the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

10 And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being *found* blameless.

11 Even [c] so *must their* wives *be* grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.

12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.

13 For [f] they that have [o] used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

14 These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself [b] in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: [m] God was [t] manifest in the flesh, [n] justified in the Spirit, [o] seen of angels, [p] preached unto the Gentiles, [q] believed on in the world, [r] received up into glory.

CHAP. IV.

NOW the Spirit [p] speaketh expressly, that [s] in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed [p] to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

2 Speaking [t] lies in hypocrisy; [u] having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

3 Forbidding [v] to marry, [d] *and commanding* to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received [c] with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

4 For [f] every creature of God *is* good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:

5 For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, [h] nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and [i] exercise thyself *rather* unto godliness.

8 For [f] bodily exercise profiteth § little: [w]but godliness is profitable unto all things, [x] having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

9 This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.

10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, [r] who is the saviour of all men, especially of those that believe.

11 These things command and teach.

12 Let no man despise thy youth; but [y] be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee [p] by prophecy, [z] with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear [†] to all.

16 Take [b] heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both [b] save thyself, and [g] them that hear thee.

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[a] eh. 1. 19.
[b] Exo. 33. 8.
[c] Ro. 11. 14.
[d] Le. 19. 32.
[e] Tit. 2. 3.
[f] Mat. 25. 21.
[o] or, *ministered.*
[†] or, *kindness.*
[g] Ge. 45. 10, 11. Mat. 15. 4. Ep. 6. 1, 2.
[h] Lu. 2. 37. 18. 1.
[i] Ac. 26. 7.
[k] Ep. 2. 21, 22.
[‡] or, *stay.*
[j] Ja. 5. 7.
§ or, *delicately.*
[m] Joh. 1. 14. 1 Joh. 1. 2.
[l] *manifested.*
[n] Mat. 3. 16.
[o] Lu. 24. 4.
[p] Ac. 10. 34. Ga. 2. 8.
[q] Ga. 6. 10.
[e] or, *kindred.*
[s] Col. 1. 6, 23.
[t] Ac. 1. 19. 1 Pe. 3. 22.
[u] Mat. 18. 17.
[v] or, *chosen.*
[w] Joh. 16. 13.
[x] 1 Pe. 1. 20.
[y] Re. 16. 14.
[z] Ac. 14. 15. He. 13. 2.
[a] Mat. 7. 15.
[b] Ep. 4. 19.
[c] He. 13. 4.
[d] Ro. 14. 3.
[e] 1 Co. 10. 30.
[f] Tit. 1. 15.
[g] 2 Th. 3. 11.
[h] 2 Ti. 3. 14, 15.
[i] ch. 6. 1. Tit. 2. 8.
‡ *for their training.*
[k] He. 5. 14.
[l] Col. 2. 23.
§ or, *for a little time.*
[m] ch. 6. 6.
[n] Ps. 37. 4. 84. 11. Mat. 6. 33. Ro. 8. 32.
[o] Ro. 12. 8. Phi. 2. 29. He. 13. 7, 17.
[p] De. 25. 4.
[r] 1 Co. 9. 9. Ps. 107. 2, 3, &c.
[s] Lu. 12. 13. De. 24. 14, 15. Mat. 10. 10.
[ll] or, *under.*
[t] De. 19. 15.
[u] 1 Pe. 5. 3.
[v] or, *prejudice.*
[w] ch. 1. 18.
[x] Ac. 6. 6. 2 Ti. 1. 6.
[y] Ac. 6. 6. 13. 3.
[z] 2 Joh. 11.
[†] or, *in all things.*
[a] Ps. 104. 15.
[b] Ac. 20. 28.
[c] Ga. 5. 19.

CHAP. V.

REBUKE [d] not an elder, but intreat *him* as a father; *and* the younger men as brethren;

2 The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.

3 Honour widows that are widows indeed.

4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew [†] piety at home, and [g] to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.

5 Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and [h] continueth in supplications and prayers [i] night and day.

6 But [l] she that liveth § in pleasure is dead while she liveth.

7 And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.

8 But if any provide not for his own, [r] and specially for those of his own [u]house, he hath denied the faith, [v] and is worse than an infidel.

9 Let not a widow be [†] taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the wife of one man,

10 Well reported of for good works: if she have brought up children, if she have [z] lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.

11 But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;

12 Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

13 And [g] withal they learn [a] *to be* idle, wandering about from house to houses; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, [i] give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.

15 For some are already turned aside after Satan.

16 If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.

17 Let [o] the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

18 For the scripture saith, [p] Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, [q] The labourer is worthy of his reward.

19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, but [l] before [s]two or three witnesses.

20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

21 I charge *thee* before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without [o] preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

22 Lay [b] hands suddenly on no man, [g] neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

23 Drink no longer water, but use a little wine [a] for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities.

24 Some [c] men's sins are open before-

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hand, going before to judgment; and some *men* they follow after.

25 Likewise also the good works *of some* are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

CHAP. VI.

LET as many [a] servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and *his* doctrine be not blasphemed.

2 And they that have believing masters, let them not despise *them*, [g] because they are brethren; but rather do *them* service, because they are [†] faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort.

3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, [‡] and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

4 He is [‡] proud, [i] knowing nothing, but [§] doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

5 [k] Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, [m] supposing that gain is godliness: [n] from such withdraw thyself.

6 But [o] godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For [p] we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out.

8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.

9 But [q] they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For [r] the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

A. D. 65.

[a] 2 Ti. 2. 22.
[b] 1 Co. 9. 25, 26
[c] Phi. 3. 12, 14.
[d] 1 Pe. 2. 16.
[e] Jno. 5. 21.
[f] Jno. 18. 37.
[g] or, *profession.*
[†] Col. 4. 1.
[‡] or, *believing.*
[h] Ra. 17. 14. 19. 16.
[i] Tit. 1. 1.
[k] Ex 33. 20. Jno. 6. 46.
[‡] or, *a fool.*
[l] 1 Co. 8. 2.
[§] or, *sick.*
[m] Ps. 52. 7. Pr. 23. 5. Mar. 10. 24.
[‖] *the uncertainty of riches.*
[n] or, *Gallings one of another.*
[o] 2 Pe. 2. 3.
[p] Ro. 16. 17.
[q] Lu. 12. 21.
[r] Ro. 12. 13.
[†] or, *sociable.*
[s] Pr. 15. 16. He. 13. 5.
[t] He. 13. 16.
[u] Mat. 6 20.
[v] Ec. 5. 15.
[w] Pr. 15. 27. 20. 21. 28. 20. Mat. 13. 22.
[x] Ex. 23. 8. De. 16. 19.
[‡] or, *been seduced.*

11 But [a] thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

12 Fight [b] the good fight of faith, [c] lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

13 I give thee charge in the sight of God, [d] who quickeneth all things, and *before* Christ Jesus, [f] who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good [e] confession;

14 That thou keep *this* commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

15 Which in his times he shall shew, *who* is the blessed and only Potentate, [h] the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

16 Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; [i] whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom *be* honour and power everlasting. Amen.

17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, [m] nor trust in [‡] uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

18 That they do good, that [n] they be rich in good works, [o] ready to distribute, [†] willing to [l] communicate;

19 Laying [m] up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane *and* vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:

21 Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace *be* with thee. Amen.

¶ The first to Timothy was written from Laodicea, which is the chiefest city of Phrygia Pacatiana.

The Second Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to TIMOTHY.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to [a] the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3 I thank God, [b] whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that [c] without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;

4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;

5 When I call to remembrance [d] the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and [m] thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

7 For [e] God hath not given us the spirit of fear; [f] but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me [g] his prisoner: [p] but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

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[a] 1 Th. 4. 7. He. 3. 1.
[b] Ro. 3. 20. 9. 11. Tit. 3. 5.
[c] Ep. 3. 6. He. 9. 15.
[d] Ro. 8. 28.
[e] Ga. 1. 14.
[f] 1 Co. 15. 54. He. 2. 14.
[g] 1 Th. 1. 2. 3. 10.
[h] Ac. 9. 15.
[i] Ep. 3. 1.
[k] 1 Ti. 1. 5.
[l] 1 Pe. 4. 19.
[m] or, *trusted.*
[n] Ac. 16. 1.
[o] 1 Ti. 6. 20.
[p] 2 Th. 1. 10.
[q] Ro 6. 17. 1 Ti. 6. 3.
[r] 1 Ti. 1. 14.
[s] Ro. 8. 15.
[t] Lu. 24. 49. Ac. 1. 8.
[u] Ro. 8. 11.
[v] Ac. 19. 10.
[w] Ep. 3. 1.
[x] Col. 1 24.
[y] Mat. 5. 7.

9 Who hath saved us, and [h] called *us* with an holy calling, [i] not according to our works, but [k] according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began;

10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, [l] who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

11 Whereunto [h] I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

12 For [l] the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: [r] for I know whom I have [s] believed, and am persuaded that he is able to [t] keep that which I have committed unto him [s] against that day.

13 Hold fast [p] the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, [r] in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost [u] which dwelleth in us.

15 This thou knowest, that [v] all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

16 The Lord [w] give mercy unto the house

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of Onesiphorus; for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain:

17 But when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found *me*.

18 The Lord grant unto him [e] that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

CHAP. II.

THOU therefore, my son, [d] be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

2 And the things that thou hast heard of me [§] among many witnesses, [f] the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be [g] able to teach others also.

3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

4 No [i] man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

5 And if a man also strive for masteries, *yet* is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.

6 [k] The [l] husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits.

7 Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.

8 Remember that Jesus Christ [m] of the seed of David [n] was raised from the dead according to my gospel:

9 Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, [o] *even* unto bonds; but [p] the word of God is not bound.

10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

11 *It is a* faithful saying: For [q] if we be dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*:

12 If [r] we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if [s] we deny *him*, he also will deny us:

13 If [t] we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: [u] he cannot deny himself.

14 Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers.

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

16 But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

17 And their word will eat as doth a [‡] canker: of whom is Hymenæus and Philetus;

18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.

19 Nevertheless [w] the foundation of God standeth [§] sure, having this seal, The Lord [x] knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; [y] and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

21 If [z] a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work.

22 Flee [a] also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.

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[a] Tit. 3. 2.
[b] or, *for bearing.*
[c] Mat. 25. 34, ..40.
[d] *awake.*
[e] *taken alive*
[f] Ep. 6. 10.
[g] 2 Pe. 3. 3. 1 Jno. 2. 18. Jude 18.
[§] or, *by.*
[i] 1 Ti. 1. 18.
[k] 1 Ti. 3. 2. Tit. 1. 9.
[l] Ro. 1. 30, 31.
[m] 1 Co. 9. 25.
[n] or, *make-bates.* Tit. 2. 3.
[o] Phi. 3. 19. Jude 4, 19.
[p] or, *The husbandman, labouring first, must be partaker of the fruits*
[q] 1 Co. 9. 10.
[r] Mat. 23 14.
[s] Ac. 2. 30. 13. 23. Ro. 1. 3, 4.
[t] 1 Co. 15. 1-4, 20.
[u] Ex. 7. 11.
[v] Ep. 3. 1. Phi. 1. 7. Col. 4. 3, 18.
[w] Ac. 28. 31.
[x] or, *of no judgment.*
[y] Ro. 1. 28.
[z] 2 Co. 13. 5. Tit. 1. 16.
[a] Ex. 9. 11.
[b] Phi. 2. 22. 1 Ti. 4. 6.
[‡] or, *been a diligent follower of.*
[c] Ro. 6. 5, 8.
[d] Ro. 8. 17.
[e] Mat. 10. 33.
[f] Ac. 13. 45, 50.
[g] Ac. 14. 2, 5.
[h] Ac. 14. 19, &c.
[i] Ro. 3. 3.
[k] Nu. 23. 19.
[l] Ps. 34. 19.
[m] Jno. 17. 14. 1 Th. 3. 3.
[n] Ac. 2. 10.
[o] Jno. 5. 39.
[§] or, *gangrene.*
[p] 2 Pe. 1. 20, 21
[q] Ro. 15. 4.
[r] 1 Jno. 2. 19.
[s] or, *steady.*
[t] 1 Ti. 6. 11.
[u] Na. 1. 7. Jno. 10. 14, 27.
[v] or, *perfected.*
[w] Ac. 10. 42.
[x] Ro. 9. 21.
[y] Is. 52. 11.
[z] Tit. 2. 15.
[a] 1 Ti. 4. 13.
[b] Ps. 119. 9.

24 And [a] the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, [b] patient,

25 In [c] meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

26 And *that* they may [d] recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are [‡] taken captive by him at his will.

CHAP. III.

THIS know also, that [e] in the last days perilous times shall come.

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, [f] disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, [§] false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

4 Traitors, heady, highminded, [g] lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

6 For [h] of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly [i] women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

8 Now [k] as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, [l] reprobate [m] concerning the faith.

9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all *men*, [n] as their's also was.

10 But thou [o] hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me [p] at Antioch, [q] at Iconium, [r] at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but [s] out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yea, and [t] all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

14 But [u] continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*;

15 And that from a child thou hast known [v] the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All [w] scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, [x] and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That [y] the man of God may be perfect, [z] throughly furnished unto all good works.

CHAP. IV.

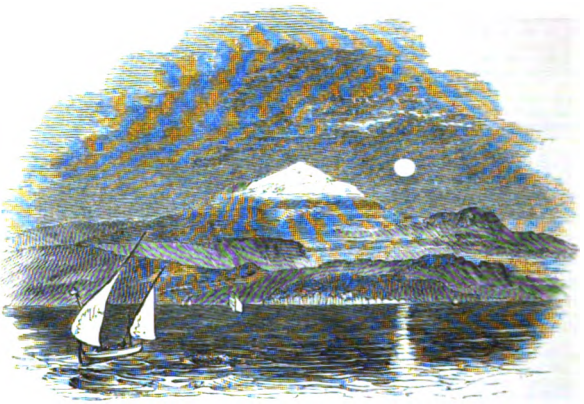
I CHARGE *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, [a] who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, [b] rebuke, [c] exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

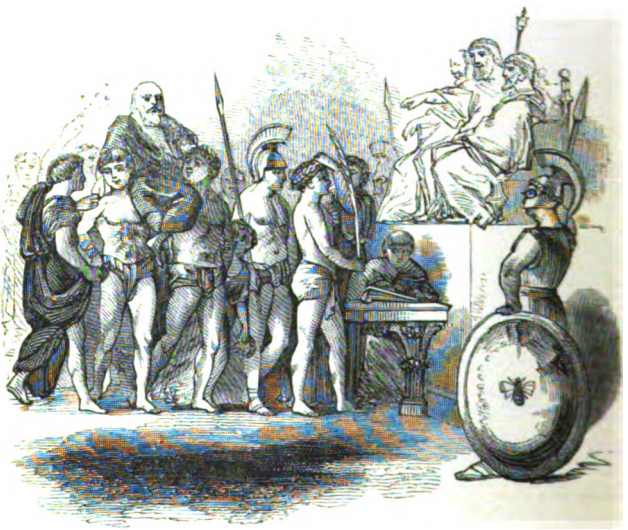
3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

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CRETE.—Titus i. 12.



VICTOR IN THE RACE RECEIVING THE CROWN.—*Barry.*—2 Tim. iv. 7, 8.

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5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of [a] an evangelist, [†] make full proof of thy ministry.

6 For [b] I am now ready to be offered, and the time of [c] my departure is at hand.

7 I [d] have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me [e] a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me [f] at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

9 Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:

10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having [g] loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.

11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry.

12 And [h] Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.

13 The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring *with thee*, and the books, *but* especially the parchments.

14 Alexander [i] the coppersmith did me much evil: [j] the Lord reward him according to his works:

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[a] Ac. 21. 8. Ep. 4. 11.

[b] or, *preachings.*

[†] or, *fulfil,* Col. 4. 17.

[b] Phi. 2. 17.

[c] ch. 1. 15.

[d] Ac. 7. 60.

[e] Phi. 1. 23. 2 Pe. 1. 14.

[f] 1 Co. 9. 24, 25. Phi. 3. 14.

[g] Ep. 3. 8.

[h] 1 Pe. 5. 4. Re. 2. 10.

[i] ch. 1. 12.

[k] Ps. 22. 21.

[l] Ps. 121. 7.

[m] 1 Jno. 2. 15.

[n] Ac. 18. 2.

[o] Ac. 19. 22.

[p] Ac. 20. 4.

[r] Ep. 6. 12.

[s] Ac. 19. 33.

[t] Ps. 18. 26. 28. 4.

[‡] *Cæsar Nero,* or, *the emperor Nero.*

15 Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our [k] words.

16 At my first answer no man stood with me, [l] but all *men* forsook me: [m] *I pray God* that it may not be laid to their charge.

17 Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; [n] that by me the preaching might be fully known, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered [o] out of the mouth of the lion.

18 And [p] the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

19 Salute [q] Prisca and Aquila, and the houshold of Onesiphorus.

20 Erastus [r] abode at Corinth: but [s] Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.

21 Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.

22 The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.

¶ The second *epistle* unto Timotheus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians, was written from Rome, when Paul was brought before [‡] Nero the second time.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

2 Tim. III. 11.—ICONIUM, modern name Konieh. Iconium is now called Cogni. It was formerly the capital of Lycaonia, as it is now of Caramania, in Asia Minor. But the modern city, though it has an imposing appearance, is crumbling into ruins, mixed with small huts of sun-burnt bricks, and wretched thatched hovels.

Ch. IV. 7, 8.—VICTOR IN THE RACE RECEIVING THE CROWN. The illustrations in this article are chiefly from the valuable lectures of Paxton. Games and combats were instituted by the ancients in honour of their gods, and were celebrated with that view by the most polished and enlightened nations of antiquity. The most renowned heroes, legislators, and statesmen, did not think it unbecoming their character and dignity to mingle with the combatants, or contend in the race; they even reckoned it glorious to share in the exercises, and meritorious to carry away the prize. The victors were crowned with a wreath of laurel in presence of their country; they were celebrated in the rapturous effusions of their poets; they were admired and almost adored by the innumerable multitudes which flocked to the games, from every part of Greece, and many of the adjacent countries. They returned to their homes in a triumphal chariot, and made their entrance into their native city, not through the gates which admitted the vulgar throng, but through a breach in the walls, which were broken down to give them admission, and, at the same time, to express the persuasion of their fellow-citizens, that walls are of small use to a city defended by men of such tried courage and ability. Hence the surprising ardour which animated all the states of Greece to imitate the ancient heroes, and encircle their brows with wreaths, which rendered them still more the objects of admiration or envy to succeeding times, than the victories they had gained, or laws they had enacted. But the institutors of those games and combats had higher and nobler objects in view than veneration for the mighty dead, or the gratification of ambition or vanity; it was their design to prepare the youth for the profession of arms; to confirm their health, to improve their strength, their vigour, and activity; to inure them to fatigue; and to render them intrepid in close fight, where, in the infancy of the art of war, muscular force commonly decided the victory. This statement accounts for the striking allusions which the apostle Paul makes in his epistles to these celebrated exercises. Such references were calculated to touch the heart of a Greek, and of every one familiarly acquainted with them, in the liveliest manner, as well as to place before the eye of his mind the most glowing and correct images of spiritual and Divine things. No passages in the nervous and eloquent epistles from the pen of Paul have been more admired by critics and expositors, even in modern times, than those into which some allusion to these agonistic exercises is introduced; and perhaps none are calculated to leave a deeper impression on the Christian mind, or excite a stronger and more salutary influence on his actions. Certain persons were appointed to take care that all things were done according to custom, to decide controversies that happened among the antagonists, and to adjudge the prize to the victor. Some eminent writers are of opinion that Christ is called "the Author and finisher of faith," in allusion to these judges. Those who were designed for the profession of athletæ, or combatants, were trained up at the public expense, and had to exercise much self-denial in regard to their appetites and passions. The athletæ disencumbered themselves of every troublesome article of clothing, and the racers of whatever would impede them in their course. The combats were severe and dangerous, and the boxers were allowed to have in their hands balls of stone or lead. Those were branded with disgrace who gave up without contending to the last. The apostle alludes to these combats, so critics read his words in Timothy, "I have combated a good combat." The foot-race was another athletic game, to which the apostle here alludes, "I have finished my course." The Olympic games generally opened with races. The course was about 600 feet. At the extremity of the stadium was a goal, where the footraces ended. It was run only once. When the victor had received his reward, a herald, preceded by a trumpet, conducted him through the stadium, and proclaimed aloud his name and country; while the delighted multitudes, at the sight of him, redoubled their acclamations and applauses. The crown in the Olympic games was of wild olive, in the Pythian of laurel, in the Isthmian or Corinthian of pine tree, and in the Nemæan of smallage or parsley. These were most of them withering evergreens, hence the force and beauty of the contrast of an "incorruptible crown." The Christian is called to fight the good fight of faith, and lay hold of eternal life.

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The Epistle of PAUL to TITUS.

Titus was a converted Greek, left at Crete, a large island in the Mediterranean, to preside over the churches there; and this epistle contains advice for the performance of his sacred duties.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth [a] which is after godliness;

2 † In [b] hope of eternal life, which God, [c] that cannot lie, promised [d] before the world began;

3 But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, [e] which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;

4 To [f] Titus, *mine* own son after [g] the common faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest [m] set in order the things that are § wanting, and [n] ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:

6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children, not accused of riot, or unruly.

7 For a bishop must be blameless, as [o] the steward of God; not self-willed, not soon angry, [p] not given to wine, no striker, [q] not given to filthy lucre;

8 But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good [r] men, sober, just, holy, temperate;

9 Holding fast [s] the faithful word † as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.

10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, [t] specially they of the circumcision:

11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.

12 One [u] of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies.

13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;

14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.

15 Unto [x] the pure all things *are* pure: but [y] unto them that are defiled and unbelieving *is* nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

16 They profess that they know God; but [z] in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and disobedient, [a] and unto every good work ‖ reprobate.

CHAP. II.

BUT speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:

2 That the aged men be [b] sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

3 The aged [c] women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh † holiness, not ‡ false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

4 That they may teach the young women to be § sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

5 *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at

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home, good, [d] obedient to their own husbands, [e] that the word of God be not blasphemed.

6 Young men likewise exhort to be [f] sober minded.

7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine *shewing* uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,

8 Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; [g] that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.

9 *Exhort* [h] servants to be obedient unto their own masters, *and* to please *them* well in all *things*; not † answering again;

10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

11 For [i] the grace of God that bringeth salvation ‖ hath [k] appeared to all men,

12 Teaching us [l] that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious [m] appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself [n] a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

CHAP. III.

PUT them in mind [a] to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,

2 To [b] speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, *but* [c] gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

3 For [d] we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another.

4 But after that the kindness and † love of [e] God our Saviour toward man appeared,

5 Not [f] by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by [g] the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6 Which [h] he shed on us § abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

7 That [i] being justified by his grace, [k] we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

8 *This* is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful [l] to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

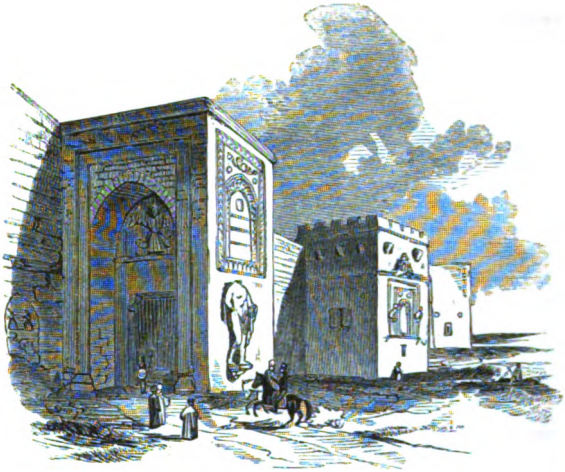
10 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition [m] reject;

11 Knowing that he that is such is sub-

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a 1 Co. 14. 34.
b Ro. 2. 24.
c 1 Ti. 3. 16. 6. 3.
e or, *discreet.*
† or, *For.*
d ch. 3. 7.
e Nu. 23. 19.
f 1 Pe. 1. 20.
g 1 Th. 2. 4.
h Ne. 5. 9. 2 Th. 3. 14.
i Ge. 2. 2.
k Ro. 1. 12. 2 Pe. 1. 1.
l Ep. 6. 5.
‡ or, *gainsaying.*
m 1 Co. 11. 34.
§ or, *left undone.*
n Ac. 14. 23.
o 1 Ti. 3. 2.
p Ro. 5. 15. 1 Pe. 5. 12.
‖ or, *to all men, hath appeared.*
P Lu. 3. 6.
q Lu. 1. 75.
r Mat. 24. 45.
s Le. 10. 9. Ep. 5. 16.
t 2 Th. 1. 10. He. 9. 28.
u 1 Pe. 5. 2.
v or, *things.*
x 1 Ti. 1. 15.
† or, *in teaching.*
y Ep. 2. 10. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
z Ac. 15. 1.
a Ro. 13. 1.
b Ep. 4. 31.
c Ac. 17. 28. Phi. 4. 5.
d 1 Co. 6. 11. Ep. 2. 1.
‡ or, *pity.*
f 1 Ti. 2. 2.
g Lu. 11. 39. 41.
h Ro. 14. 23.
i Ro. 3. 20.
k Jno. 3. 3. 5. Ep. 5. 26. 1 Pe. 3. 21.
l Jude 4.
m Joel 2. 28.
§ *richly.*
n Ro. 1. 28.
‖ or, *void of judgment.*
o Ro. 3. 24. P Ro. 8. 23. 24.
o or, *vigilant.*
r ch. 2. 14.
s 1 Pe. 3. 3, 4.
† or, *holy women.*
‡ or, *make-bates.*
t Ti. 3. 3.
§ or, *wise.*
t Mat. 18. 17. 2 Jno. 10.

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ICONIUM—NOW KONIAH.—*La Borde.*—2 Tim. iii. 11.



INTERIOR OF COLOSSEUM AT ROME.—*Piranesi.*—Phile. Postcript.

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verted, and sinneth, [c] being condemned of himself.

12 When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter.

13 Bring Zenas the lawyer and [d] Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.

14 And let our's also learn to [e] maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be [f] not unfruitful.

A. D. 65.

[a] Ac. 13. 46.
[b] Phi. 4. 17. Col. 1. 10. 2 Pe. 1. 8.
[c] Ac. 18. 24.
[e] or, *profess honest trades.* Ep. 4. 28.

15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ It was written to Titus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Cretians, from Nicopolis of Macedonia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. I. 12.—CRETE. Crete is one of the largest islands in the Mediterranean Sea, now called Candia. Its length is one hundred and sixty miles, but its width varies from thirty-five to six miles. The chief glory of this island lay in having produced the great legislator Minos, whose institutions did wonders in softening the manners of a barbarous people, and extended their beneficial influence throughout Greece. The Cretans were excellent sailors, and their vessels visited all the neighbouring coasts. Their great population in time past may be imagined from their having had a hundred considerable towns or cities. The idolatrous inhabitants were remarkably given to lying, in consequence of which an impudent lie was proverbially called a Cretian lie. The apostle confirms this character by referring to an expression of a poet or prophet of their own, said to be Epimenides, who was of Creta.

The Epistle of PAUL to PHILEMON.

Onesimus, a slave, ran away from his master, Philemon, went to Rome, heard Paul there, and was converted. This Epistle was sent by him to Philemon, on Onesimus' returning to his service, urging him to receive him, both as a servant and a Christian.

A. D. 64.

PAUL, [a] a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy *our* brother, unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellowlabourer,

2 And to *our* beloved Apphia, and [c] Archippus [d] our fellowsoldier, and to [f] the church in thy house:

3 Grace [g] to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

4 I [h] thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,

5 Hearing [i] of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints;

6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual [m] by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints [o] are refreshed by thee, brother.

8 Wherefore, [p] though I might be much bold in Christ to injoin thee that which is convenient,

9 Yet for love's sake I rather beseech *thee*, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.

10 I beseech thee for my son [r] Onesimus, [s] whom I have begotten in my bonds:

11 Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me:

12 Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:

13 Whom I would have retained with me, [t] that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel:

[a] Ep. 3. 1. 4. 1. 2 Ti. 1. 8.
[b] 2 Co. 9. 7.
[c] Col. 4. 17.
[d] Ga. 45. 5, 8.
[e] Phi. 2. 25.
[f] Ro. 16. 5. 1 Co. 16. 19.
[g] Ep. 1. 2.
[h] Mat. 23. 8. 1 Ti. 6. 2.
[i] 1 Jno. 5. 1.
[k] Ep. 1. 16.
[l] 1 Th. 1. 2.
[m] Col. 3. 22.
[n] Ep. 1. 15. Col. 1. 4.
[o] 2 Co. 8. 23.
[p] Phi. 1. 9, 11.
[q] 2 Co. 7. 16. 2 Ti. 1. 16.
[r] 1 Th. 2. 6.
[s] 2 Co. 7. 16.
[t] Phi. 1. 25. 2. 24.
[u] 2 Co. 1. 11.
[w] Col. 4. 9.
[x] Col. 1. 7. 4. 12.
[y] 1 Co. 4. 15. Ga. 4. 19.
[z] Ac. 12. 12, 25.
[a] Ac. 19. 29. Col. 4. 10.
[b] Col. 4. 14.
[c] 2 Ti. 4. 11.
[d] 2 Pe. 3. 18.
[e] 1 Co. 16. 17. Phi. 2. 30.

14 But without thy mind would I do nothing; [u] that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly.

15 For [x] perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever;

16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a [y] brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, [z] both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

17 If thou count me therefore [a] a partner, receive him as myself.

18 If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* ought, put that on mine account;

19 I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it*: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.

21 Having [e] confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.

22 But withal prepare me also a lodging: for [b] I trust that [c] through your prayers I shall be given unto you.

23 There salute thee [d] Epaphras, my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus;

24 [e] Marcus, [f] Aristarchus, [g] Demas, [h] Lucas, my fellowlabourers.

25 The [i] grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.

¶ Written from Rome to Philemon, by Onesimus a servant.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

Postcript.—COLOSSEUM, the subject for Philemon, is a prominent object at Rome, whence the epistle was sent. The runaway servant of Philemon, a converted Gentile at Colosse, fled to Rome, heard Paul preach, was converted, and sent back with every kindly feeling to his master. Paul was still "a prisoner of Jesus Christ" at Rome. Two of the most prominent relics of ancient Rome are the Pantheon and Colosseum. The Colosseum was erected under the auspices of Vespasian and Titus. It is a stupendous monument of fallen greatness, and has been thought to exceed the pyramids of Egypt and all the wonders of the ancient world. Embosomed in the heart of the city, it towered above every other object. Its circumference measured 1770 feet, including an area of about four acres and a half of land. Its extreme height was 164 feet. There were seats in the interior for 87,000 people, and the galleries, &c., held about 30,000 more. For upwards of three centuries human blood flowed in the Colosseum; and here many of the primitive martyrs suffered, killed by wild beasts.

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The Epistle of PAUL the Apostle to the HEBREWS.

The style and mode of argument, in connexion with other circumstances, prove this Epistle to have been written by the Apostle Paul. The design of it was to confirm the Hebrews in the faith of the gospel. A. D. 65.

CHAP. I.

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2 Hath in these last days [b]spoken unto us by *his* Son, [c] whom he hath appointed heir of all things, [d] by whom also he made the worlds;

3 Who [e] being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and [f] upholding all things by the word of his power, [g] when he had by himself purged our sins, [h] sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, [m] Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, [n] I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?

6 ‡And again, when he bringeth in [p] the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, [r] And let all the angels of God worship him.

7 And [q] of the angels he saith, [r] Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.

8 But unto the Son *he saith*, [s] Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: a sceptre of [t]righteousness *is* the sceptre of thy kingdom.

9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, *even* thy God, [u] hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

10 And, [v] Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:

11 They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

13 But to which of the angels said he at any time, [c] Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?

14 Are [f] they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

CHAP. II.

THEREFORE we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should [†]let *them* slip.

2 For if the word [g] spoken by angels was stedfast, and [i] every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;

3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;

4 God also bearing *them* witness, [l] both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and [§] gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?

5 For unto the angels hath he not put

A. D. 64.

[a] Ps. 8. 4, &c.
[b] Jno. 1. 17.
[c] Ps. 2. 8. Jno. 3. 35.
[d] Jno. 1. 3. 1 Co. 8. 6.
[e] or, *a little while inferior to.*
[f] Jno. 1. 14.
[g] Ro. 4. 11.
[h] Ep. 1. 22.
[i] ch. 7. 27.
[k] Ps. 110. 1.
[l] 1 Co. 15. 25.
[m] Phi. 2. 7. 9.
[†] or, *by.*
[m] Ps. 2. 7.
[n] 2 Sa. 7. 14. Ps. 89. 26, 27.
[o] Jno. 3. 16. 12. 32.
[p] Ro. 11. 36.
[‡] or, *When he bringeth again.*
[q] Re. 1. 5.
[r] De. 32. 43. LXX. Ps. 97. 7.
[s] ch. 5. 9. Lu. 13. 33.
[§] *unto.*
[t] Ps. 101. 4.
[u] Ps. 45. 6, 7.
[v] Ps. 22. 22, 25.
[‖] *rightness, or, straightness.*
[w] Ps. 18. 2. Is. 12. 2.
[x] Is. 8. 18.
[z] Is. 61. 1.
[a] Ps. 102. 25.
[b] 1 Co. 15. 54.
[c] *taketh not hold of angels, but of the seed of Abraham he taketh hold.*
[c] Lu. 20. 42.
[d] Phi. 2. 7.
[e] ch. 4. 15.
[f] Ps. 34. 7. 103. 20, 21. Ac. 12. 7, &c.
[†] *run out as leaking vessels.*
[g] De. 33. 2. Ps. 68. 17. Ga. 3. 19.
[h] Ro. 1. 7.
[i] De. 27. 26.
[‡] *made.*
[l] 1 Sa. 12. 6.
[k] Nu. 12. 7.
[l] Ac. 2. 22, 43.
[m] Zec. 6. 12.
[§] or, *distributions.*
[n] Ep. 2. 10. 3. 9.

in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.

6 But one in a certain place testified, saying, [a] What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?

7 Thou madest him [e]a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:

8 Thou [k] hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing *that is* not put under him. But now [k] we see not yet all things put under him.

9 But we see Jesus, [l] who was made a little lower than the angels [†] for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death [l] for every man.

10 For it became him, [‡] for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation [‡] perfect through sufferings.

11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

12 Saying, [y] I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

13 And again, [z] I will put my trust in him. And again, [a] Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; [b] that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

16 For verily he [c] took not on *him the nature of* angels; but he took on *him* the seed of Abraham.

17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him [d] to be made like unto *his* brethren, that he might be [e] a merciful and faithful high priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

18 For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

CHAP. III.

WHEREFORE, holy brethren, partakers of [h] the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

2 Who was faithful to him that [‡]appointed him, as also [k] Moses *was faithful* in all his house.

3 For this *man* was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as [m] he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

4 For every house is builded by some *man*; but [n] he that built all things *is* God.

5 And Moses verily *was* faithful in all

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his house, as [a] a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

6 But Christ as [a] a son over his own house; [b] whose house are we, *if* we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

7 Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, [b] To day if ye will hear his voice,

8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.

10 Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.

11 So I sware in my wrath, [†]They shall not enter into my rest.)

12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;

15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.

16 For [r] some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses.

17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? *was it* not with them that had sinned, [t] whose carcases fell in the wilderness?

18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?

19 So [r] we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

CHAP. IV.

LET [a] us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but [§] the word preached did not profit them, [c] not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.

3 For [d] we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, *f* As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, [g] And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.

5 And in this *place* again, If they shall enter into my rest.

6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom [†] it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

7 (Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, [b] To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

8 For if [§] Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

9 There remaineth therefore a [†] rest to the people of God.

10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.)

11 Let us labour therefore to enter into

A. D. 64.

[a] Ex. 14. 31.
[c] or, *disobedience.*
[b] Ie. 49. 2. Je. 23. 29. 2 Co.10.4,5. 1 Pe. 1. 13.
[b] ch. 1. 2.
[d] Pr. 5. 4. Ep. 6. 17. Re. 1. 16. 2. 16.
[e] 1 Co. 3. 16. Ep.2.21,22. 1 Pe. 2. 5.
[f] Mat. 24. 13. Ro. 5. 2.
[g] 1 Co. 14. 34.
[h] Ps. 95. 7.
[i] Ps.33.13,14. 139.11,12.
[k] Job 26. 6. 34. 21. Pr. 15. 11.
[l] ch. 9. 12,24.
[m] ch. 2. 18. Is 53. 3.
[†] *If they shall enter.*
[n] Lu. 22. 28.
[o] ch. 7. 25. 2 Co. 5. 21.
[p] ch.10.21,22.
[‡] or, *reasonably bear with.*
[r] Nu.14.2,&c De.1.34,&c
[s] Le. 9. 7. 16.6,15..17.
[t] Nu. 26. 65. Ps. 106. 26.
[u] Ex. 28. 1.
[v] Jno. 8. 54.
[w] Ps. 2. 7.
[x] ch. 4 6.
[y] Ps. 110. 4.
[z] ch. 12. 15.
[a] Mat. 26. 39, 42,44. Jno. XVII.
[§] *the word of hearing.*
[‖] or, *for his piety.*
[c] Lu. 22. 43. Jno. 12. 27.
[c] or, *because they were not united by faith to.*
[d] Phi. 2. 8.
[e] ch. 3. 14.
[f] Ps. 95. 11.
[g] Ge 2. 2. Ex. 20. 11.
[h] Mat. 13. 15.
[†] or, *the gospel.*
[i] 1 Co.3.1..3.
[‡] *hath no experience.*
[k] Ps. 95. 7.
[§] That is, *Joshua.*
[‖] or, *perfect.*
[e] or, *of an habit,* or, *perfection.*
[†] or, *keeping of a sabbath*
[l] Phi. 3. 12.. 14.
[‡] or, *word of the beginning of Christ.*

that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of [c] unbelief.

12 For the word of God *is* [k] quick, and powerful, and [d] sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is [e] a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

13 Neither [f] is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things *are* [k] naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, [l] that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession.

15 For [m] we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but [n] was in all points tempted like as *we are, yet* [o] without sin.

16 Let [p] us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

CHAP. V.

FOR every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things *pertaining* to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:

2 Who can [‡] have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; *for* that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.

3 And [r] by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.

4 And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as [s] *was* Aaron.

5 So [t] also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, [u] Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.

6 As he saith also in another *place*, [x] Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had [b] offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard [‖] in [c] that he feared;

8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he [d] obedience by the things which he suffered;

9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

10 Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are [k] dull of hearing.

12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which *be* the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of [‡] milk, and not of strong meat.

13 For every one that useth milk [‡] *is* unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.

14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are [‖] of full age, *even* those who by reason [e] of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

CHAP. VI.

THEREFORE [l] leaving the [‡] principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the

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foundation of repentance from [a] dead works, and of faith toward God,

2 Of [b] the doctrine of baptisms, [c] and of laying on of hands, [d] and of resurrection of the dead, [e] and of eternal judgment.

3 And this will we do, if God permit.

4 For [f] *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of [g] the heavenly gift, and [h] were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; [i] seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them [†] by whom it is dressed, [k] receiveth blessing from God:

8 But [l] that which beareth thorns and briers *is* rejected, and *is* nigh unto cursing; whose end *is* to be burned.

9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

10 For [m] God *is* not unrighteous to forget [n] your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have [o] ministered to the saints, and do minister.

11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence [p] to the full assurance of hope unto the end:

12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience [q] inherit the promises.

13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, [r] he sware by himself,

14 Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.

15 And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.

16 For men verily swear by the greater: and [s] an oath for confirmation *is* to them an end of all strife.

17 Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto [t] the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, [§] confirmed *it* by an oath:

18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope [u] set before us:

19 Which *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, [x] and which entereth into that within the veil;

20 Whither [y] the forerunner is for us entered, *even* Jesus, [z] made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

CHAP. VII.

FOR this [a] Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;

2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

3 Without father, without mother, without [b] descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

4 Now consider how great this man

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[a] ch. 9. 14.
[b] Ac. 19. 4, 5.
[c] Ac. 8. 14-17
[d] Nu. 18. 21, 26
[e] Ac. 17. 31, 32
[f] Ro. 2. 16.
[g] Mat. 12. 31, 32. 2 Pe. 2. 20, 21. 1 Joo. 5. 16.
[h] Ep. 2. 8.
[i] ch. 2. 4, 5. Ga. 3. 2, 5.
[k] or, *pedigree*
[l] Ro. 4. 13. Ga. 3. 16.
[m] ch. 10. 39.
[n] ch. 5. 6. 6. 20.
[†] or, *for.*
[o] Ps. 65. 10.
[p] Is. 5. 6.
[q] ver. 18, 19. ch. 8. 7.
[r] Ge. 22. 21. Pr. 14. 31. Mat. 10. 42. 25. 40. Joo. 13. 20.
[s] 1 Th. 1. 3.
[t] 2 Co. 8. 4. 9. 1, 12.
[u] Col. 2. 2.
[x] Is. 11. 1. Mat. 1. 3. Lu. 3. 33.
[y] ch. 10. 36.
[z] Ge. 22. 16, 17. Ps. 105. 9. Lu. 1. 73.
[a] Ps. 110. 4.
[b] Ro. 8. 3. Ga. 4. 9.
[c] Ex. 22. 11.
[d] Ac. 13. 39. Ro. 3. 20, 28. 8. 3. Ga. 2. 16.
[‡] or, *It was the bringing in.*
[e] Ga. 3. 24.
[f] Ro. 5. 2. Ep. 2. 18.
[g] ch. 11. 9. Ro. 11. 29.
[§] *interposed himself by.*
[||] or, *swearing of an oath.*
[h] Is. 40. 8.
[i] ch. 12. 1.
[k] ch. 9. 7.
[l] Le. 16. 15.
[m] ch. 4. 14. 9. 24.
[n] ch. 3. 1.
[o] or, *which passeth not from one to another.*
[†] or, *evermore.*
[p] Ge. 14. 18, &c
[q] Ro. 8. 34. 1 Ti. 2. 5. 1 Joo. 2. 1.
[r] ch. 4. 15.
[s] Ep. 1. 20. 4. 10.
[t] Le. 9. 7. 16. 6, 11.
[u] Le. 16. 15.
[x] Ro. 6. 10.
[y] *pedigree.*
[§] *perfected.*

was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.

5 And verily [c] they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:

6 But he whose [d] descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed [e] him that had the promises.

7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.

8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he *receiveth them*, [m] of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.

9 And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham.

10 For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.

11 If [f] therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need *was there* that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?

12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

13 For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.

14 For *it is* evident that [g] our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.

15 And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest,

16 Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.

17 For he testifieth, [h] Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

18 For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for [i] the weakness and unprofitableness thereof.

19 For [k] the law made nothing perfect, [l] but the bringing in of a better hope *did*; by the which [m] we draw nigh unto God.

20 And inasmuch as not without an oath *he was made priest:*

21 (For those priests were made without [n] an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:)

22 By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.

23 And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

24 But this *man*, because he continueth ever, hath [o] an unchangeable priesthood.

25 Wherefore he is able also to save them [†] to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth [p] to make intercession for them.

26 For such an high priest became us, [q] *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, [r] and made higher than the heavens;

27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, [s] first for his own sins, [t] and then for the people's: for [u] this he did once, when he offered up himself.

28 For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, *maketh* the Son, who is [§] consecrated for evermore.

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CHAP. VIII.

NOW of the things which we have spoken *this is* the sum: We have such an high priest, [b] who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

2 A minister of [c] the sanctuary, and of [d] the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

3 For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore [e] *it is* of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.

4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that [f] there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:

5 Who serve unto the example and [h] shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, [i] See, saith he, *that* thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

6 But now [k] hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better [§] covenant, which was established upon better promises.

7 For [l] if that first *covenant* had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

8 For finding fault with them, he saith, [m] Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

9 Not according *to* the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

10 For [n] this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will [o] put my laws into their mind, and write them [p] in their hearts: and [q] I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

11 And [r] they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, [s] and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

13 In [t] that he saith, A new *covenant*, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.

CHAP. IX.

THEN verily the first *covenant* had also [u] ordinances of divine service, and [v] a worldly sanctuary.

2 For [h] there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein *was* [i] the candlestick, and [k] the table, and the shewbread; which is called [†] the sanctuary.

3 And [l] after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all;

4 Which had the golden censer, and the [m] ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein *was* [n] the golden pot that had manna, and [p] Aaron's rod that budded, and [q] the tables of the covenant;

5 And [r] over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

6 Now when these things were thus ordained, [s] the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service *of God*.

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[a] Ex. 30. 10.
[b] ch. 12. 2. Ep. 1. 20. Col. 3. 1.
[c] or, *holy things.*
[d] Jno. 14. 6.
[e] ch. 9. 11.
[f] ch. 9. 14. Ep. 5. 2.
[g] Ga. 3. 21.
[†] or, *they are priests.*
[§] Ep. 2. 15. Col. 2. 20.
[h] or, *rites*, or, *ceremonies.*
[i] Col. 2. 17.
[k] ch. 3. 1.
[l] Ex. 25. 40. Ac. 7. 44.
[m] ch. 7. 22. 2Co.3.6,8,9.
[n] Ac. 20. 28. Ep. 1. 7. Col. 1. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 1. 5.
[§] or, *testament.*
[m] Zec. 3. 9.
[n] Da. 9. 24.
[o] ch. 7. 11,18.
[p] Je.31.31..34
[r] Ro. 1. 4.
[‖] or, *fault.*
[s] ch. 10. 22.
[t] ch. 12. 24. 1 Ti. 2. 5.
[u] ch. 10. 16.
[o] *give.*
[†] or, *be brought in.*
[z] or, *upon.*
[v] Zec. 8. 8.
[x] Ga. 3. 15.
[y] Is. 54. 13. Jno. 6. 45. 1 Jno. 2. 27.
[§] or, *purified.*
[a] ch. 10. 17. Ro. 11. 27.
[a] Ex.24.5,6,8.
[b] Le.14.4,&c.
[‖] or, *purple.*
[c] 2 Co. 5. 17.
[d] Ex. 24. 8.
[e] Ex.29.12,36.
[e] or, *ceremonies.*
[f] Ex. 25. 8.
[g] Le. 17. 11.
[h] Ex. 26.
[i] Ex. 25. 31. 40. 4.
[k] Ex.25.23,30 Le. 24. 5, 6.
[†] or, *holy.*
[l] Ex.26.31,33 40.3.21.
[m] ch. 6. 20.
[n] Ex. 25. 10, &c.
[o] Ex.16.33,34
[p] Nu. 17. 10.
[q] Ro. 8. 34.
[r] 1 Jno. 2. 1.
[s] De. 10. 2, 5. 2 Ch. 5. 10.
[t] Le. 16. 2.
[u] Nu. 28. 3. Da. 8. 11.
[v] 1 Co. 10. 11. Ga. 4. 4.

7 But into the second *went* the high priest alone [a] once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and *for* the errors of the people:

8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that [e] the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:

9 Which *was* a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, [f] that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience;

10 *Which stood* only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, [g] and carnal [†] ordinances, imposed *on them* until the time of reformation.

11 But Christ being come [i] an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;

12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but [l] by his own blood he entered in [m] once into the holy place, [n] having obtained eternal redemption *for us.*

13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, [r] who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without [‖] spot to God, [s] purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

15 And for this cause [t] he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions *that were* under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

16 For where a testament *is*, there must also of necessity [†] be the death of the testator.

17 For [u] a testament *is* of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

18 Whereupon neither the first *testament* was [§] dedicated without blood.

19 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, [x] he took the blood of calves and of goats, [k] with water, and [‖] scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,

20 Saying, [z] This *is* the blood of the testament which God hath injoined unto you.

21 Moreover [a] he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.

22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and [b] without shedding of blood is no remission.

23 *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

24 For [m] Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now [r] to appear in the presence of God for us:

25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once [n] in the end of the world

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hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

27 And [a] as it is appointed unto men once to die, [b] but after this the judgment:

28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins [c] of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

CHAP. X.

FOR the law having [d] a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto [f] perfect.

2 For then [g] would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.

3 But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year.

4 For [m] *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, [n] Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body [†] hast thou prepared me:

6 In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and *offering* for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure *therein;* which are offered by the law;

9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

10 By [o] the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*.

11 And every priest standeth [p] daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:

12 But [q] this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins, for ever sat down on the right hand of God;

13 From henceforth expecting [r] till his enemies be made his footstool.

14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

15 *Whereof* the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,

16 This *is* [s] the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

17 ‖ And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

18 Now where remission of these *is*, *there is* no more offering for sin.

19 Having therefore, brethren, [t] boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

20 By [u] a new and living way, which he hath [†] consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

21 And *having* [v] an high priest over [w] the house of God;

22 Let us draw near with a true heart [x] in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and [y] our bodies washed with pure water.

23 Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for [z] he *is* faithful that promised;)

A. D. 64.

[a] Ge. 3. 19. Ec. 3. 20.
[b] Ac. 2. 42.
[c] Is. 30. 12, 13.
[d] Ro. 13. 11.
[e] Ro. 5. 15.
[f] Phi. 4. 5. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[g] ch. 6. 4.
[h] Col. 2. 17.
[i] 2 Th. 1. 8.
[k] De. 19. 15. Jno. 8. 17.
[l] ver. 14.
[m] or, *they would have ceased to be offered, because, &c.*
[n] Mi. 6. 6, 7.
[o] Mat. 12. 31. Ep. 4. 30.
[p] Ps. 40. 6, &c. Is. 1. 11.
[q] De. 32. 35.
[†] or, *thou hast fitted me.*
[r] Ps. 50. 4.
[s] Ps. 110. 5.
[t] Ga. 3. 4. 2 Jno. 8.
[u] Phi. 4. 14. 1 Th. 2. 14.
[v] Mat. 5. 12.
[‡] Ja. 1. 2.
[x] or, *that ye have in*, or, *for yourselves.*
[a] ch. 13. 12. Jno. 17. 19.
[y] Mat. 5. 12.
[z] Nu. 23. 3.
[a] ch. 12. 1. Ga. 6. 9.
[b] Col. 3. 24. 1 Pe. 1. 9.
[c] Eph. 1. 3. Col. 3. 1.
[d] 2 Pe. 3. 9.
[e] Hab. 2. 3, 4.
[f] Ro. 1. 17. Ga. 3. 11.
[g] ch. 1. 13. Ps. 110. 1. 1 Co. 15. 25.
[h] ch. 8. 10, 12. Je. 31. 33, 34.
[§] or, *ground*, or, *confidence.*
[i] Ro. 8. 24, 25. 2 Co. 4. 18.
‖ Some copies have, *Then he said, And their.*
[k] Ge. 1. 1. Jno. 1. 3.
[l] or, *liberty.*
[l] Ge. 4. 4.
[m] Jno. 10. 9. 14. 6.
[†] or, *new made.*
[‡] or, *is yet spoken of.*
[n] Mat. 23. 35.
[o] Ge. 5. 22, 24.
[p] ch. 4. 14.
[r] 1 Ti. 3. 15.
[s] 1 Jno. 3. 21.
[t] Eze. 36. 25. 2 Co. 7. 1.
[u] 1 Co. 1. 9. 1 Th. 5. 24.
[v] Ge. 6. 13, 22.

24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

25 Not [b] forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is;* but exhorting *one another:* and [d] so much the more, as ye see [f] the day approaching.

26 For [g] if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and [i] fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.

28 He [k] that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:

29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, [n] and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

30 For we know him that hath said, [p] Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, [r] The Lord shall judge his people.

31 *It* [s] *is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

32 But [t] call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions;

33 Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst [u] ye became companions of them that were so used.

34 For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and [v] took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing [‡] in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.

35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, [y] which hath great recompence of reward.

36 For [a] ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, [b] ye might receive the promise.

37 For [d] *yet* a little while, and [e] he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

38 Now [f] the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

CHAP. XI.

NOW faith is the [§] substance of things hoped for, the evidence [i] of things not seen.

2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.

3 Through faith we understand that [k] the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

4 By faith [l] Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead [‡] yet [n] speaketh.

5 By faith [o] Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him:* for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

7 By faith [p] Noah, being warned of

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God of things not seen as yet, [a] moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of [b] the righteousness which is by faith.

8 By faith [c] Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, [d] the heirs with him of the same promise:

10 For he looked for [e] a city which hath foundations, [f] whose builder and maker *is* God.

11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.

12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, [g] *so many* as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.

13 These all died [h] in faith, not having received the promises, but [i] having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of *them*, and embraced *them*, and [k] confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

15 And truly, if they had been mindful of that *country* from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

16 But now they desire a better *country*, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed [l] to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises [m] offered up his only begotten *son*,

18 [n] Of whom it was said, [o] That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:

19 Accounting that God was able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

20 By faith [p] Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, [q] blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, *leaning* upon the top of his staff.

22 By faith [r] Joseph, when he died, [s] made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.

23 By faith [t] Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw *he was* a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.

24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

25 Choosing [u] rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

26 Esteeming [v] the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

27 By faith [w] he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

28 Through faith [x] he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

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[a] or, *being wary.*
[a] Ex. 14. 22, 29
[b] Ro. 3. 22. 4. 13. Phi. 3. 9.
[c] Jos. 6. 20.
[d] Ge. 12. 1, 4.
[e] Jos. 6. 23. Ju. 2. 25.
[f] or, *were disobedient.*
[f] Ju. 6. 11.
[g] ch. 6. 17.
[h] Ju. 4. 6.
[i] Ju. 13. 24.
[k] Ju. 11. 1. 1 Sa. 16. 1, 13
[l] 1 Sa. 1. 20.
[m] Ro. 21. 3, 10.
[n] Da. 6. 22.
[o] Da. 3. 25. 2 Ki. 20. 7, & e Job 42. 10. Ps. 6. 8.
[p] Ge. 22. 17.
[q] 1 Ki. 17. 22. 2 Ki. 4. 35.
[r] Ac. 23. 25.
[s] *according to faith.*
[s] Jno. 8. 56.
[t] Ge. 39. 20. Je. 20. 2. 37. 15.
[u] 1 Ch. 29. 15. Ps. 39. 12 119. 19. 1 Pe. 1. 17. 2. 11.
[v] 1 Ki. 21. 13. 2 Ch. 24. 21. Ac. 7. 58.
[w] Ex. 3. 6, 15. Mat. 22. 32.
[x] or, *foreseen*
[x] ch. 12. 23. Re. 6. 11.
[y] Ja. 2. 21.
[z] or, *To.*
[z] Ro. 9. 7.
[a] Col. 3. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 1.
[b] 1 Co. 9. 24. Phi. 3. 13, 14.
[c] Ge. 27. 27, 39
[d] or, *beginner.*
[d] Lu. 24. 26. Phi. 2. 8, &c. 1 Pe. 1. 11.
[e] Ge 48. 16.
[f] ch. 1. 3, 13. 8. 1. Ps. 110. 1. 1 Pe. 3. 22.
[g] Ge. 50 24, 25
[h] or, *remembered.*
[h] Ga. 4. 9.
[i] Ex. 2 2.
[k] 1 Co. 10. 13.
[l] Job 5. 17. Pr. 3. 11.
[m] Ps. 119. 75. Pr. 3. 12. (Re. 3. 19.
[n] Ps. 84. 10.
[o] ch. 13. 13.
[p] or, *for.*
[q] Ex. 10. 28, 29
[r] Ex. 12. 21, &c.
[s] Job 12. 10. Is. 57. 16.

29 By faith [a] they passed through the Red sea as by dry *land*: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.

30 By faith [b] the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.

31 By faith [c] the harlot Rahab perished not with them that [d] believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

32 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of [e] Gedeon, and *of* [f] Barak, and *of* [g] Samson, and *of* [h] Jephthae; *of* [i] David also, and [k] Samuel, and *of* the prophets:

33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, [l] stopped the mouths of lions,

34 Quenched [m] the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, [n] out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

35 Women [o] received their dead raised to life again: and others were [p] tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

36 And others had trial of *cruel* mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover [q] of bonds and imprisonment:

37 They [r] were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;

38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and *in* mountains, and *in* dens and caves of the earth.

39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

40 God having [s] provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be [t] made perfect.

CHAP. XII.

WHEREFORE seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, [f] let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and [g] let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

2 Looking unto Jesus the [a] author and finisher of *our* faith; [b] who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and [c] is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, [d] lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

4 Ye [e] have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.

5 And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, [f] My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

6 For [g] whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

7 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

8 But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto [h] the Father of spirits, and live?

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10 For they verily for a few days chastened *us* [o] after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, [c] that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.

11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth [c] the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

12 Wherefore [e] lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;

13 And make [†] straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; [h] but let it rather be healed.

14 Follow [i] peace with all *men*, and holiness, [k] without which no man shall see the Lord:

15 Looking diligently lest any man [§] fail of the grace of God; [l] lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble *you*, and thereby many be defiled;

16 Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, [m] who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.

17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no [‖] place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

18 For ye are not come unto [n] the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

19 And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which *voice* they that heard [o] intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

21 And [a] so terrible was the sight, *that* Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

22 But ye are come [b] unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, [d] and to an innumerable company of angels,

23 To the general assembly and church of [f] the firstborn, [g] which are [‡] written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

24 And to Jesus [h] the mediator of the new [§] covenant, and to [i] the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things [a] than *that of* Abel.

25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more *shall not we escape*, if we turn away from him that *speaketh* from heaven:

26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, [k] Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

27 And this *word*, Yet once more, signifieth [l] the removing of those things that [†] are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us [*] have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

29 For [x] our God *is* a consuming fire.

CHAP. XIII.

LET [y] brotherly love continue.

2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby [z] some have entertained angels unawares.

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[o] or, as seemed *good*, or, *meet* to them.
[c] 1 Pe. 1. 15, 16.
[b] Col. 3. 5, 6. Re 22. 15.
[e] Ja. 3. 18.
[d] Mat. 6. 25.
[e] Job 4. 3, 4. Is. 35. 3.
[f] Ge. 28. 15.
[†] or, *even.*
[h] Ps. 36. 11.
[i] Ga. 6. 1.
[k] Ps. 34. 14. Ro. 12. 18.
[‡] or, *are the guides.*
[k] Mat. 5. 8. Ep. 5. 5.
[§] or, *fail from.*
[l] ch. 3. 12.
[m] Re. 1. 4.
[n] Ge. 25. 33.
[o] Ro. 14. 17.
[p] Ga. 5. 1, 2.
[‖] or, *way to change his mind.*
[r] Ex. 29. 14.
[s] Ex. 19. 12. Ro. 6. 14.
[t] Jno. 19. 17.
[u] Ex. 20. 19.
[v] Mi. 2 10. Phi. 3. 20.
[w] Ep. 5. 20. 1 Pe. 2. 5
[x] Ps.50.14,23.
[y] Ex. 19. 16.
[z] Ho. 12. 2.
[a] or, *confessing to.*
[b] Re.21.2,10.
[c] 2 Co. 2. 12. Phi. 4. 18.
[d] De. 33. 2. Ps. 68. 17.
[†] or, *guide.*
[e] Eze. 3. 17. Ac.20.26,28
[f] Ja. 1. 18
[g] Lu 10. 20.
[‡] or, *enrolled*
[h] ch. 8. 6.
[§] or, *testament.*
[i] 1 Pe. 1. 2.
[k] Ro. 15. 30.
[l] 2 Co. 1. 12.
[m] Ga. 4. 10.
[n] Ro. 15. 33. 1 Th. 5. 23.
[o] Ro. 4. 24. 8. 11. Ga. 1. 1. 1 Pe. 1. 21.
[p] Is. 40. 11. Jno. 10. 11.
[r] ch. 10. 29. Zec. 9. 11. Mag. 2. 6.
[‖] or, *testament.*
[s] 1 Pe. 5. 10.
[*] or, *doing.*
[t] Phi. 2. 13.
[u] Ps. 102. 26. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[†] or, *may be.*
[‡] or, *hold fast*
[x] Is. 66. 15. 2 Th. 1. 8.
[y] 1 Jno. 3. 11, &c.
[z] Ge. 18. 3. 19. 2.

3 Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; *and* them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.

4 Marriage *is* honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: [b] but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

5 *Let your* conversation *be* without covetousness; *and* [c] be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, [f] I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

6 So that we may boldly say, [g] The Lord *is* my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

7 Remember them which [h] have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of *their* conversation:

8 Jesus Christ [m] the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For *it is* a good thing that the heart be established with grace; [r] not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

10 We [p] have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.

11 For [r] the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.

12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, [s] suffered without the gate.

13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

14 For [o] here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

15 By [w] him therefore let us offer [y] the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, [a] the fruit of *our* lips [o] giving thanks to his name.

16 But to do good and to communicate forget not: for [t] with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

17 Obey them that [†] have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for [r] they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

18 Pray [k] for us: for we trust we have [l] a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.

19 But I beseech *you* the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.

20 Now [n] the God of peace, [o] that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, [p] that great Shepherd of the sheep, [r] through the blood of the everlasting [‖] covenant,

21 Make [s] you perfect in every good work to do his will, [o] working [w] in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

22 And I beseech you, brethren, suffer the word of exhortation: for I have written a letter unto you in few words.

23 Know ye that *our* brother Timothy is set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.

24 Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you.

25 Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ Written to the Hebrews from Italy by Timothy.

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SALEM APPROACH TO JERUSALEM.—*Original Sketch.*—Heb. vii. 2.



MOUNT ZION.—*Finden.*—Heb. xii. 22.

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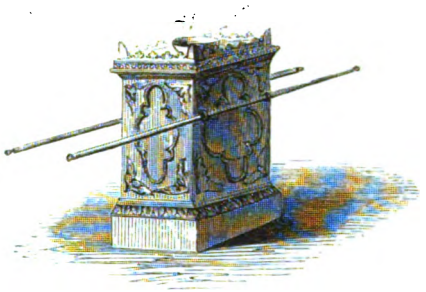


TABLE OF SHEW-BREAD.—*Calmet.*—Heb. ix. 2.



TEMPLE ARTICLES.—*From Arch of Titus at Rome.*—Heb. ix. 2.



CENSERS.—*Calmet.*—Heb. ix. 4.

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Ch. VII. 1.—SALEM, the city of which Melchisedec was king, is thought to have been founded by him about the year 2023, who gave it its name, signifying *Peace*. About a century after its foundation, it was captured by the Jebusites, who extended the walls, and constructed a castle or citadel on mount Zion. By them it was called Jebus. In the conquest of Canaan, Joshua put to death its king (Josh. x. 23, xiii. 10), and obtained possession of the town, which was jointly inhabited by Jews and Jebusites till the reign of David, who expelled the latter, and made it the capital of his kingdom, under the name of Jebus-Salem, or, for the sake of euphony, Jerusalem. It maintained its eminence for a period of 477 years, when it was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar. During the 170 years' captivity it lay in ruins, after which it was restored by Zerubbabel and his associates, and continued 562 years, when it was finally destroyed by Titus. The city of Jerusalem was built on four hills, called Zion, Acra, Moriah, and Bezetha; indeed the whole foundation was a high rock, formerly called Moriah, or vision. Gen. xxii. 3—4. When the city of Jerusalem became the capital of the kingdom, and the chosen place of Jehovah's worship, every means was used to render it impregnable, by high walls, massy gates, and towers of observation and annoyance; and, during the time that elapsed between the days of Nehemiah and the destruction of the city by Titus, several important alterations were made in its fortifications. Latterly, it was enclosed by three walls, on those sides that were not encompassed with impassable valleys. The reader is here presented with Mr. Buckingham's spirited sketch of modern Jerusalem: 'Reposing beneath the shade of an olive tree upon the brow of this hill, looking to the mount of Olives, we enjoyed from hence a fine prospect of Jerusalem on the opposite one. This city occupies an irregular square of about two miles and a half in circumference. Its shortest apparent side is that which faces the east, and in this lies supposed gate of the ancient temple, now closed up. The southern side is exceedingly irregular, taking quite a zig-zag direction, the south-west extreme being terminated by the mosque built over the supposed sepulchre of David, on the summit of mount Zion. The form and exact direction of the western and southern walls are not distinctly seen from hence; but every part of this appears to be a modern work, and executed at the same time. The walls are flanked at irregular distances by square towers, and have battlements running all around on their summits, with loop-holes for arrows or musketry close to the top. The walls appear to be about fifty feet in height, but are not surrounded by a ditch. The northern wall runs over slightly-declining ground: the eastern brow runs straight along the brow of mount Moriah, with the deep valley of Jehoshaphat below; the southern wall runs over the summit of the hill assumed as mount Zion, with the vale of Hinnom at its feet; and the western wall runs along on more level ground, near the summit of the high and stony mountains over which we had first approached the town. As the city is thus seated on the brow of one large hill, divided by name into several smaller hills, and the whole of these slope gently down towards the east, this view from the mount of Olives, a position of greater height than that on which the highest part of the city stands, commands nearly the whole of it at once. On the north it is bounded by a level and apparently fertile space, now covered with olive trees, particularly near the north-east angle. On the south, the steep side of mount Zion, and the valley of Hinnom, both shew patches of cultivation and little gardens and vineyards. To the west, the sterile summits of the hills there barely lift their outlines above the dwellings, and, on the east, the deep valley of Jehoshaphat, now at our feet, has some partial spots relieved by trees, though as forbidding in its general aspect as the vale of death could ever be desired to be by those who have chosen it for their place of interment. Within the walls of the city are seen crowded dwellings, remarkable in no respect except being terraced by flat roofs, and generally built of stone. On the south are some gardens and vineyards, with the long red mosque of Al Sakhara, having two tiers of windows, a sloping roof, and a dark dome at one end; and the mosque of Zion and the sepulchre of David in the same quarter. On the west is seen the high square castle and palace of the same monarch, near the Bethlehem gate. In the centre rise the two cupolas, of unequal form and size—the one blue, and the other white—covering the church of the Holy sepulchre. Around in different directions are seen the minarets of eight or ten mosques, and an assemblage of about 2000 dwellings; and on the east is seated the great mosque of Al Haverm, or, as called by Christians, the mosque of Solomon, from being supposed, with that of Al Sakhara near it, to occupy the site of the ancient temple of that splendid and luxurious king.'

Ch. XII. 23.—MOUNT ZION. This and the prior subject are so nearly allied that they cannot be well separated and it naturally comes to be described after the city, the whole of which was anciently enclosed within the wall, and about one-half of which is within the modern city wall. David took the stronghold of Zion, the same is the city of David; so David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David, 2 Sam. v. 9. This continued the royal residence, and became also the burial place of the kings; but that which gave it a sacred character, and made it afterwards like Jerusalem, used to signify the church and nation of Israel, was the ark of God placed there by David. When we consider that the ark was made by the express command of God, and that he gave the most minute directions respecting it, we cannot but wonder at the entire oblivion into which it seems to have fallen for so long a period. For upwards of ninety years from the death of Samuel the ark appears to have been in a state of disuse. But at length David made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent. And David and all Israel brought up the ark with shouting and great joy, "and set it in its place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had pitched for it." 2 Sam. vi. 17. From this time until the building of the temple, Zion was the holy place or sanctuary of the Lord, and the name continued ever after to be used by prophets and holy men to designate the whole of Jerusalem, including the temple. What now remains of the glory of mount Zion? Nothing. Its regal splendour, its sacredness, are gone. "Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field," was the word of the inspired prophet to "the heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel," Mic. iii. 9. 12; and there is now, says Herschell, a field of barley growing on Zion, as a testimony that the word of the Lord standeth sure.

Ch. IX. 2.—SHEWBREAD, literally signifies 'bread of the face,' or, 'of the presence;' this bread being served up hot every sabbath day by the priest of the week in the presence of the Lord, and at the same time he took away the stale bread, which had been exposed for the whole of the week, and which was eaten then by the priests alone. About six pints of flour were used for each loaf. The loaves were twelve in number, and were placed on the golden table in the most holy place. The number was according to the tribes of Israel, and these cakes were a special acknowledgment of Jehovah's providential bounty towards his people, and of their perpetual dependence on his paternal blessings.

Ch. IX. 2.—TEMPLE ARTICLES FROM THE ARCH OF TITUS. After the triumph over Jerusalem by Vespasian and Titus, an arch was erected at Rome to commemorate the triumph, and still exists. This contains a most important page of Jewish history. Books and coins may be both fabricated and perish, but this, written by the conquerors, remains still a picture of facts, and a durable history. It is a chapter furnishing us not only with an account of the end of the Jewish state, but also of the sacred articles used in the Jewish temple, a confirming record of the Bible sacred history. Prominent object in the is the golden candlestick. This costly ornament was placed on the south side of the holy place, and served to illuminate the altar of incense and the table of shewbread, both of which stood in that part of the tabernacle. The table for the shewbread is another prominent object in the cut. The original table, as described in Exodus, had a golden crown around the top, and was overlaid with pure gold; hence it was called the golden table. Other objects here represented are the silver trumpets. The Lord commanded Moses to make two trumpets of beaten silver, for the purpose of calling the people together when they were to decamp, Num. x. They chiefly used these trumpets, however, to proclaim the beginning of the civil year, the beginning of the sabbatical year, and the beginning of the jubilee, Lev. xxiii. 24; xxv. 9, 10; Num. xxix. 1. Josephus says they were about a cubit long, their thickness that of a common flute, and their ends small, and shaped like a modern trumpet.

Ch. IX. 4.—CENSERS. These were vessels in which fire and incense were carried in Hebrew worship. The censers given in engravings are such as were used in heathen worship, and are not to be taken as veritable patterns of the Jewish censer.

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The general Epistle of JAMES.

This and the six Epistles which follow, are called 'Catholic,' being written to Christians in general, without distinction of church. The design of this epistle was to encourage the Jewish Christians under persecution, and to guard them against abusing the doctrine of justification by faith.

CHAP. I.

JAMES, [b] a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, [c] to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

2 My brethren, [d] count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

3 Knowing *f this*, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

4 But let patience have *her* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

5 If [f] any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and [l] it shall be given him.

6 But [m] let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

8 A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

9 Let the brother of low degree [t] rejoice in that he is exalted:

10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because [o] as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.

11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

12 Blessed [s] *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive [u] the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with [o] evil, neither tempteth he any man:

14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, [x] bringeth forth death.

16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.

17 Every [y] good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, [z] with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

18 Of [b] his own will begat he us with the word of truth, [c] that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, [e] let every man be swift to hear, [f] slow to speak, [h] slow to wrath:

20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, [i] which is able to save your souls.

22 But [n] be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

23 For [o] if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

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[a] 2 Co. 3. 18.
[b] Jude 1.
[c] Ac. 26. 7. 1 Pe. 1. 1.
[d] Jno. 13. 17.
[e] Mat. 5. 12. 1 Pe. 1. 6.
[o] or, *doing*.
[f] Ro. 5. 3.
[g] Ps. 39. 1. 1 Pe. 3. 10.
[h] Mat. 25. 26.
[i] Pr. 2. 3. 5. Mat. 7. 7.
[k] Ro. 12. 2. 1 Jno. 5. 18.
[l] Je. 29. 12. 1 Jno. 5. 15.
[m] Mar. 11. 24. 1 Ti. 2. 8.
[n] Pr. 26. 21.
[t] *synagogue*.
[z] or, *glory*.
[§] or, *well*, or, *secondly*.
[o] Job 14. 2. Ps 37. 2. 102. 11. Is. 40. 6. 1 Jno. 2 17.
[p] 1 Co. 1. 26, 28.
[r] Ro. 2. 9.
[ll] or, *that*.
[s] Mat. 5. 3. 1 Co. 2. 9. 2 Ti. 4. 8.
[t] Job 5. 17. He. 12. 5. Re. 3. 19.
[u] 1 Co. 9. 25. 2 Ti. 4. 8. 1 Pe. 5. 4. Re. 2. 10.
[o] or, *evils*.
[x] Le. 19. 18. [w] Ro. 6. 21, 23.
[y] De. 27. 26. Ga. 3. 10.
[z] Jno. 3. 27. 1 Co. 4. 7.
[†] or, *that law which said*.
[a] Nu. 23. 19. Mal. 3. 6. Ro. 11. 29.
[b] Jno. 1. 13.
[c] Ep. 1. 12.
[d] Jno. 8. 32, 36. Ro. 8. 15.
[e] Ec. 5. 2.
[f] Mat. 25. 41, 42.
[g] Pr. 10. 19.
[h] Ec. 7. 9.
[i] 1 Jno. 4. 17, 18.
[‡] or, *glorieth*.
[k] Mat. 7. 26.
[l] Ac. 13. 26.
[m] 1 Co. 15. 2. 1 Jno. 3. 18.
[n] Mat. 7. 21. Ro. 2. 13. 1 Jno. 3. 7.
[o] Lu. 6. 47, &c.
[§] *by itself*.

25 But [a] whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, [d] this man shall be blessed in his [w] deed.

26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and [§] bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion *is* vain.

27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, [k] To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, [l] *and* to keep himself unspotted from the world.

CHAP. II.

MY brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, *the Lord* of glory, with [a] respect of persons.

2 For if there come unto your [†] assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;

3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here [§] in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:

4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?

5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, [p] Hath not God chosen the poor of this world [r] rich in faith, and heirs of [t] the kingdom [u] which he hath promised to them that love him?

6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?

7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called?

8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, [v] Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:

9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, [z] he is guilty of all.

11 For [†] he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by [d] the law of liberty.

13 For [f] he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and [i] mercy [‡] rejoiceth against judgment.

14 What [k] *doth it* profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

15 If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,

16 And [m] one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what *doth it* profit?

17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being [§] alone.

18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith

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*without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: [e] the devils also believe, and tremble.

20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, [d] when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

22 *Seest thou [f] how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, [d] Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called [i] the Friend of God.

24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

25 Likewise also [l] was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent *them* out another way?

26 For as the body without the †spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

CHAP. III.

MY brethren, [a] be not many masters, [p] knowing that we shall receive the greater §condemnation.

2 For [r] in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, [s] the same *is* a perfect man, *and* able also to bridle the whole body.

3 Behold, [t] we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body.

4 Behold also the ships, which though *they be* so great, and *are* driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.

5 Even so [u] the tongue is a little member, and [v] boasteth great things. Behold, how great ‖a matter a little fire kindleth!

6 And [k] the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that [w] it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the *course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

7 For every †kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of ‡mankind:

8 But the tongue can no man tame; *it* *is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

9 Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, [d] which are made after the similitude of God.

10 Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

11 Doth a fountain send forth at the same ‖place sweet *water* and bitter?

12 Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so *can* no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.

13 Who *is* a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, [l] glory not, and lie not against the truth.

15 This [m] wisdom descendeth not from above, but *is* earthly, *sensual, devilish.

16 For where envying and strife *is*, there *is* † confusion and every evil work.

17 But [p] the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and

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* Some copies read, *by thy.*
† or, *wrangling.*
[e] 1 Jno. 3. 18.
[b] Mat. 5. 9.
[c] Lu. 4. 34. Ac. 16. 17.
‡ or, *brawlings.*
[d] Ge. 22. 9, 12.
§ or, *pleasures.* ver. 3.
‖ or, *envy.*
* or, *Thou seest.*
[e] Ho. 11. 17.
[f] Ps. 1. 28. Is. 1. 15.
[g] Ps. 66. 18.
[h] Ge. 15. 6. Ro. 4. 3.
[i] 2 Ch. 20. 7. Is. 41. 8.
[k] 1 Jno. 2. 15.
[l] Jos. 2. 1.
[m] Ge. 6. 5.
† or, *breath.*
‡ or, *enviously?*
[n] Ps. 139. 6.
[o] Ro. 2. 20, 21.
[p] Lu. 6. 37.
[r] Ep. 5. 11. 1 Pe. 5. 9.
§ or, *judgment.*
[s] 2 Ch. 15. 2.
[t] Ec. 7. 20. 1 Jno. 1. 8.
[u] Mat. 12. 37.
[v] Ps. 39. 9.
[x] Job 27. 29. 1 Pe. 5. 6.
[y] Mat. 7. 1. Ro. 2. 1. 1 Co. 4. 5.
[z] Pr. 15. 2.
[a] Ps. 73. 6, 9.
‖ or, *wood.*
[b] Pr. 16. 27.
[c] Mat. 15. 11, 18, 20.
[d] Pr. 27. 1. Lu. 12. 18, &c.
* *wheel.*
† *nature.*
‡ *nature of man.*
§ or, *For it.*
[e] ch. 1. 10. Ps. 62. 3.
[l] Pe. 1. 24. 1 Jno. 2. 17.
[f] He. 6. 3.
[g] Ge. 1. 26.
[h] Jno. 9. 41. 15. 22. Ro. 3. 20.
‖ or, *hole.*
[i] Job 13 28. Mat. 6. 20.
[k] Ro. 2. 5.
[l] Ro. 2 17, 23.
[m] Le. 19. 13. Mal. 3. 5.
[n] Phi. 3. 19.
* or, *natural,* Jude 19.
[o] De. 24. 15.
† *tumult,* or, *unquietness.*
[p] 1 Co. 2. 6, 7.

good fruits, without † partiality, [a] and without hypocrisy.

18 And [b] the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

CHAP. IV.

FROM whence *come* wars and ‡fightings among you? *come they* not hence, *even* of your §lusts that war in your members?

2 Ye lust, and have not: ye ‖kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

3 Ye [f] ask, and receive not, [g] because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts.

4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that [h] the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, [m] The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth † to envy?

6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, [n] God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. [o] Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

8 Draw [p] nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.

9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and *your* joy to heaviness.

10 Humble [q] yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of *his* brother, [r] and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.

12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?

13 Go [s] to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? ‖It [t] is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

15 For that ye *ought* to say, [u] If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.

16 But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil.

17 Therefore [x] to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

CHAP. V.

GO to now, *ye* rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon *you*.

2 Your riches are corrupted, and [y] your garments are motheaten.

3 Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. [z] Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.

4 Behold, [a] the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and [b] the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.

5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.

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6 Ye have condemned *and* killed the just; *and* he doth not resist you.

7 [a] Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: [b] for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

9 † Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge [c] standeth before the door.

10 Take, [d] my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

11 Behold, [e] we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of [f] the patience of Job, and have seen [g] the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

12 But above all things, my brethren, [h] swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and *your* nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? [i] let him sing psalms.

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, [k] anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; [l] and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

16 Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. [m] The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and [n] he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.

18 And [o] he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;

20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way [p] shall save a soul from death, and [p] shall hide a multitude of sins.

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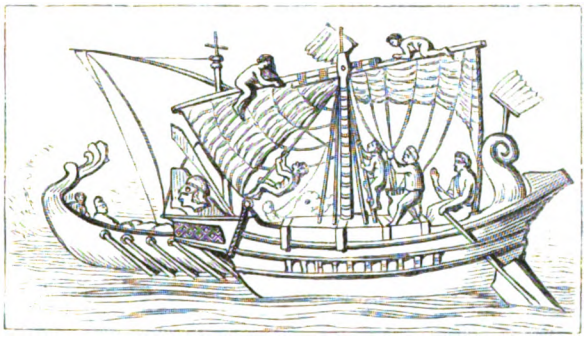
[a] Ep. 5. 19.
[b] or, *Be long patient*, or, *Suffer with long patience.*
[c] Mar. 6. 13. [d] Is. 10.25,37. [e] Is. 33. 14.
† or, *Groan*, or, *grieve not.*
[f] Mat. 21. 33. 1 Co. 4. 5.
[g] Ps. 145. 18. Jno. 9. 31. 1 Jno. 3. 22.
[h] Ec. 11.35,&c. [i] 1 Ki. 17. 1.
[k] or, *in prayer.*
[l] Ps. 94. 12. [m] Job 1 21.22. [n] Job42 10,&c. [o] 1 Ki. 18. 42.
[p] Mat. 5. 34, &c. [q] Ro. 11. 14. [p] 1 Pe. 4. 8.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. III. 4.—ANCIENT SHIPS. There is a great difference between ancient and modern ships; this makes it difficult to understand some of the statements in the maritime narratives and allusions in Scripture. There is also a greater difficulty arising from the phraseology peculiar to the seaman, whose language must be acquired at sea. Hence scholars have been greatly perplexed in translating those words which belong to shipping matters, and some have inevitably been led into confusion and mistake. Infidels, ready to catch at every trifle which will afford them a sneer at the expense of the Bible, have turned these difficulties to account; but, as in all other cases, time and improvement in knowledge have unravelled many perplexities. Two passages in particular have been noticed as capable of receiving new light. In Acts xxvii. 29, it is said, "Fearing lest they should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out at the stern." This has been thought to be an insurmountable objection. Four anchors! when our largest men-of-war would have but two, and certainly would not cast four anchors, and all four from the stern! But if we inquire into the form and construction of these anchors, and if it should appear that they were not like our own, the subject will assume a different aspect. And such is the matter of fact. What is translated "four anchors," should have been rendered 'the four-fluked anchor,' the anchor which had four points (fukes) for holding the ground. We have such anchors represented in books of antiquities, and we know, further, that such are used in the East to this day, from representations furnished by Bruce and Norden. Understand Luke, therefore, as saying, 'We threw out the best anchor we had; that most likely to hold the ground, and to keep us from driving; even the four-fluked anchor, that it might hold us back from striking against the rocks,' and the supposed absurdity disappears at once. The other passage to be noticed is, "When they had weighed anchors, they committed the ship to the sea," which is better rendered, 'Having cut away the anchors, they left them in the sea.' The part of the ship to which the apostle James directs attention is the helm or rudder, by which the ship is steered. Luke speaks of loosing the rudder-bands, which leads to a further understanding of the ancient rudders. The ships in those days had commonly two rudders, one on each side, which were fastened to the ship by bands or chains; and on loosing these bands the rudders sunk deeper into the sea, and by their weight rendered the ship less subject to be overset by the winds. But it seems, rather, that the *rudders* had been *fastened* before, when they had let the vessel *drive*; and were now loosened, when they had need of them to *steer* into the creek: and after they had just been throwing out their corn to *lighten the ship*, it is not easy to suppose they should immediately contrive a method to increase the weight of it. That they had frequently two rudders to their ships, Bochart and Elsner have confirmed by several authorities. The rudder-bands were evidently, from the representations still extant of ancient ships, a kind of brace for the purpose of keeping the rudder steady, and preventing its action against the side of the vessel; in fact, without some such confinement, a current of water, rushing from under the ship against the broad part of the rudder, would carry it away, in spite of the strongest arm that might endeavour to retain it. At the same time the bands prevented that entire play or freedom of the instrument which was occasionally necessary. These, then, were knocked off, so that the steersman had greater scope for the exertions of his arms as circumstances required, than he could possibly have while they remained in their places. The loosing of the rudder-bands will occasion no difficulty to the nautical reader, it being still usual to tie up the helm when the ship is at anchor.

CH. IV. 13.—EASTERN MERCHANTS. Eastern merchants convey the products of one place to some distant city, where they remain until they have disposed of their own goods, and purchased others suitable for another distant market; and thus the operation is repeated, until, after a number of years, the trader is enabled to return prosperously to his home. Or again, a shopkeeper or merchant takes only the first step in this process—conveying to a distant town, where the best purchases in his own line are to be made, such goods as are likely to realise a profit, and returning without any further step, with a stock for his own shop or warehouse. These operations are seldom very rapid, as the adventurer likes to wait opportunities for making advantageous bargains; and sometimes opens a shop in the place to which he comes, to sell by retail the goods he has brought. 'The merchants in the East,' says Roberts, 'have ever been famous for their trading peregrinations; and often are we reminded of the "company of Ishmaelites who came from Gilead, with their camels," &c., Gen. xxxvii. See the young adventurer: he has received a certain sum from his father, and goes to another town, where he has relatives or friends, and he cautiously commences his business. He never loses sight of frugality; and should he, in the course of a few years, have gained a competency, he returns to his native place, there to husband out his days. But should he not prosper, he goes to another town, for his affairs are so arranged in reference to rents and other matters, he finds no difficulty in removing. But another trader will not thus settle: he carries in two or three bags various spices, which are needed by every family, and gums and drugs, or cloth and silk, and muslins, or jewels, or precious stones, and after a year or so he returns with the proceeds of his journey.'

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ANCIENT SHIPS.—*British Museum.*—Ja. iii. 4.



EASTERN BAZAAR.—*Original Sketch.*—Ja. iv. 13.

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The First Epistle general of PETER.

Addressed to converted Jews in the provinces near the southern shore of the Black Sea.

CHAP. I.

PETER, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers [a] scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

2 Elect [c] according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, [d] through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and [e] sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: [f] Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which [h] according to his [i] abundant mercy [j] hath begotten us again unto a lively hope [k] by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven † for you,

5 Who [l] are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now [p] for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

7 That [r] the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, [t] though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

9 Receiving [v] the end of your faith, *even* the salvation of *your* souls.

10 Of [x] which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace *that should come* unto you:

11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand [z] the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not [a] unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with [b] the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; [c] which things the angels desire to look into.

13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, [d] be sober, and hope [e] to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you [‖] at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

15 But [f] as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

16 Because it is written, [g] Be ye holy; for I am holy.

17 And if ye call on the Father, [h] who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear:

18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation [i] *received* by tradition from your fathers;

19 But with the precious blood of Christ,

A. D. 60.

[a] Is. 53. 7. Jno. 1. 29, 36.
[b] Jno. 7. 35.
[c] Ro. 8. 29. Ep. 1. 4.
[d] 2 Th. 2. 13.
[e] Heb. 12. 24.
[f] Ro. 1. 7.
[g] Ac. 15. 9.
[h] Tit. 3. 5.
[i] *much.*
[j] Jno. 3. 3, 5.
[k] 1 Co. 15. 20.
[l] Jno. 1. 13.
[m] Ja. 1. 18. 1 Jno. 3. 9.
† or, *for us.*
‡ or, *For that*
[n] Ps. 103. 15. Is. 51. 12.
[o] Jno. 10. 28. Jude 1.
[p] 2 Co. 4. 17.
[r] ch. 4. 12.
[s] Mat. 18. 3. Ro. 6. 4.
[t] Jno. 20. 29. He. 11. 1, 27.
[u] Ps. 34. 8.
[v] Ro. 6. 22.
[x] Ge. 49. 10. Hag. 2. 7. Zec. 6. 12.
[y] Ps. 118. 22. Ac. 4. 11.
[z] Ep. 2. 21, 22.
§ or, *be ye.*
[a] Is. 61. 6.
[b] Ho. 14. 2. He. 13. 15, 16
[c] Ps. 22. 6. Is. 53. &c. Da. 9. 26.
[d] Is. 28. 16.
[e] He. 11. 13.
‖ or, *an honour.*
[f] Mat. 21. 42.
[g] Ac. 2. 4.
[h] Ex. 25. 20. Ep. 3. 10.
[i] Is. 8. 14. Ro. 9. 33.
[k] 1 Co. 1. 23.
[l] Lu. 21. 34. 1 Th. 5. 6, 8.
[m] *perfectly.*
[n] Jno. 3. 18. 1 Th. 5. 9
[o] 2 Th. 1. 7.
[p] ch. 1. 2.
[q] Ro. 1. 6.
[r] Jno. 17. 19.
[s] Tit. 2. 14.
† or, *purchased.*
‡ or, *virtues.*
[t] He. 12. 14.
[u] Ho. 1. 9, 10. Ro. 9. 25.
[v] Le. 11. 44.
[x] De. 10. 17. Ro. 2. 11.
[y] He. 11. 13.
§ or, *wherein.*
[z] Eze. 20. 18.
[a] Mat. 5. 16.
[b] Mat. 22. 21.

[a] as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

21 Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

22 Seeing ye [d] have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:

23 Being [f] born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, [m] by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

24 † For [n] all flesh *is* as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:

25 But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

CHAP. II.

WHEREFORE laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

2 As [c] newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

3 If so be ye have [u] tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

4 To whom coming, *as unto* a living stone, [y] disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, *and* precious,

5 Ye [c] also, as lively stones, § are built up a spiritual house, [a] an holy priesthood, to offer up [b] spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, [d] Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

7 Unto you therefore which believe *he is* ‖ precious: but unto them which be disobedient, [f] the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

8 And [g] a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, [k] *even to them* which stumble at the word, being disobedient: [m] whereunto also they were appointed.

9 But ye *are* [o] a chosen generation, [p] a royal priesthood, [r] an holy nation, [s] a † peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the ‡ praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

10 Which [u] in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you [y] as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, § whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by *your* good works, [a] which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

13 Submit [b] yourselves to every ordi-

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nance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;

14 Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

15 For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:

16 As[f] free, and not [g]using *your* liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.

17 ‡ Honour [h] all *men*. [i] Love the brotherhood. [k] Fear God. Honour the king.

18 Servants, [m]*be* subject to *your* masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.

19 For this *is* §thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.

20 For what glory *is it*, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer *for it*, ye take it patiently, this *is* §acceptable with God.

21 For [p] even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered [q]for us, [r]leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

22 Who [s] did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

23 Who, [t] when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed †*himself* to him that judgeth righteously:

24 Who [u] his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, [x] that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned [y] unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

CHAP. III.

LIKEWISE, ye wives, *be* in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

2 While they behold your chaste conversation *coupled* with fear.

3 Whose [a] adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

4 But *let it be* [b] the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:

6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, [c] calling him lord: whose §daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

7 Likewise, [d] ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

8 Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, ||love [e] as brethren, *be* pitiful, *be* courteous:

9 Not [f] rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing;

A. D. 60.

[a] Mat. 25. 34.
[b] Ps. 34. 12, &c
[c] Ro. 14. 5.
[d] Is. 1. 16, 17. 3 Jno. 11.
[e] Ha. 12. 14.
[f] Ga. 5. 1, 13.
[g] *having.*
[h] Jno. 9. 31. †*upon.*
[i] or, *Esteem.*
[k] Phi. 2. 3.
[l] He. 13. 1.
[m] Mat. 22. 21.
[n] Mat. 5. 10, 12.
[o] Ep. 6. 5.
[p] Is. 8. 12, 13. Je. 1. 8. Jno. 14. 1, 27.
§ or, *thank.* Lu. 6. 32.
|| or, *reverence.*
[q] He. 13. 16.
[r] Mat. 16. 24. 1 Th. 3. 3.
[s] Some read, *for you.*
[t] Jno. 13. 15. 1 Jno. 2. 6.
[u] Ro. 5. 6. He. 9. 26, 28.
[x] Is. 53. 9, &c. Jno. 8. 46.
[y] He. 12. 3.
[z] Col. 1. 21, 22.
[a] Ro. 1. 4. 8. 11.
† or, *his cause.*
[b] ch. 4. 6. Is. 61. 1.
[c] Mat. 8. 17. 2 Co. 5. 21. He. 9. 28.
‡ or, *to.*
[d] Ro. 6. 2, 11. 7. 6.
§ Ge. 6. 3, 5, 12.
[e] Jno. 10. 11.
[f] Ep. 5. 25.
[g] Ro. 10. 10.
[h] Ps. 110. 1. Ro. 8. 34. He. 1. 3.
[i] Tit. 2. 3, &c.
[k] Ro. 6. 2, 7. Ga. 5. 24. Col. 3. 3, 5.
[l] Ps. 45. 13. Ro. 2. 29.
[m] Jno. 1. 13. Ro. 6. 11. 2 Co. 5. 15. Ja. 1. 18.
[n] Ge. 18. 12.
§ *children.*
[o] ch. 3. 16. Ac 13. 45.
[p] 1 Co. 15. 51, 52.
[q] 1 Co. 7. 3.
[r] He. 10. 25. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
|| or, *loving to the brethren.*
[s] Ro. 12. 10.
[t] He. 13. 1.
[u] Pr. 20. 22. Mat. 5. 39.
[x] Pr. 10. 12. 1 Co. 13. 7. Ja. 5. 20.
[y] or, *will*

knowing that ye are thereunto called, [z] that ye should inherit a blessing.

10 For [a] he that will love life, and see good days, [b] let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

11 Let him [c] eschew evil, and do good; [d] let him seek peace, and ensue it.

12 For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, [e] and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* †against them that do evil.

13 And who *is he* that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?

14 But [f] and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye*: and [g] be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and [h] fear:

16 Having [i] a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

17 For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

18 For Christ also hath [k] once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death [l] in the flesh, but [m] quickened by the Spirit:

19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits [n] in prison;

20 Which sometime were disobedient, [o] when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

21 The [p] like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, [q] but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

22 Who is gone into heaven, and [r] is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

CHAP. IV.

FORASMUCH then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for [s] he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;

2 That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, [t] but to the will of God.

3 For the time past of *our* life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:

4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with *them* to the same excess of riot, [u] speaking evil of *you*:

5 Who shall give account to him that is ready [x] to judge the quick and the dead.

6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.

7 But [y] the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

8 And [z] above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for [a] charity [b] shall cover the multitude of sins.

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9 Use [a] hospitality one to another without grudging.

10 As [b] every man hath received the gift, *even so* minister the same one to another, as good stewards of [c] the manifold grace of God.

11 If any man speak, *let him speak* as the oracles of God; if any man minister, *let him do it* as of the ability which God giveth: that [f] God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to [g] whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning [h] the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

13 But rejoice, inasmuch as [m] ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

14 If [n] ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy *are ye;* for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or *as* a thief, or *as* an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.

16 Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; [o] but let him glorify God on this behalf.

17 For the time *is come* [p] that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it* first *begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

18 And [q] if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

19 Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God [r] commit the keeping of their souls *to him* in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

CHAP. V.

THE elders which are among you I exhort, who am also [a] an elder, and [d] a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also [b] a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

2 Feed the flock of God [e] which is among you, taking the oversight *thereof,* not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

3 Neither as [†] being [e] lords over *God's* heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.

4 And when [g] the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive [i] a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all *of you* be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for [l] God resisteth the proud, and [m] giveth grace to the humble.

6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

7 Casting [s] all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because [r] your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

9 Whom [t] resist stedfast in the faith, [t] knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, *after* that ye have suffered [u] a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle *you.*

11 To him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.

13 The *church that is* at Babylon, elected together with *you,* saluteth you; and *so doth* [v] Marcus my son.

14 Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity. [b] Peace *be* with you all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

The Second Epistle general of PETER.

Confirming the doctrines and instructions in the First Epistle, and guarding against false teachers and scoffers.

CHAP. I.

[a] SIMON Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness [†] of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, [d] through the knowledge of him [e] that hath called us [§] to glory and virtue:

4 Whereby [f] are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be [i] partakers of the divine nature, [k] having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue [m] knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and [n] to brotherly kindness charity.

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make *you that ye shall* neither *be* [‡] barren [b] nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was [c] purged from his old sins.

10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence [f] to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, [k] ye shall never fall:

11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

12 Wherefore [l] I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know *them,*

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[a] Ro. 12. 13.
[b] Ro. 8. 17, 18.
[c] Ro. 12. 6. 1 Co. 4. 7.
[d] or, *as much as in you is.*
[d] 1 Co. 12. 4. Ep. 4. 11.
[†] or, *overruling.*
[e] Eze. 34. 4. 2 Co. 1. 24.
[f] Ep. 5. 20.
[g] He. 13. 20.
[h] Ro. 1. 6.
[i] 2 Ti. 4. 8.
[k] ch. 1. 7. 1 Co. 3. 13.
[l] Ja. 4. 6.
[m] Is. 57. 15. 66. 2.
[n] Ro. 8. 17. 2 Co. 4. 10. Phi. 3. 10.
[o] Ps. 37. 5. 50. 23. Mat. 6. 25. Phi. 4. 6. He. 13. 5.
[p] Mat. 5. 11. 2 Co. 12. 10.
[q] Job 1. 7. Ro. 12. 12.
[r] Ep. 6. 11, 13.
[s] Ac. 14. 22.
[t] Ac. 5. 41.
[u] Is. 10. 12. Eze. 9. 6.
[v] ch. 1. 6. 2 Co. 4. 17.
[w] Pr. 11. 31. Lu. 23. 31.
[x] Ps. 31. 5. Lu. 23. 46. 2 Ti. 1. 12.
[a] Ac. 12. 12, 25.
[b] Jno. 14. 27. Ep. 6. 23.
[c] Phile. 9.
[d] Lu. 24. 48. Ac. 1. 8, 22.

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[a] or, *Symeon.* Ac. 15. 14.
[b] Ga. 6. 10. 1 Jno. 4. 21.
[†] *of our God and Saviour.*
[‡] *idle.*
[b] Jno. 15. 2. Tit. 3. 14.
[c] Ep. 5. 26.
[d] Jno. 17. 3.
[e] 1 Th. 2. 12.
[§] or, *by.*
[f] 1 Jno. 3. 19.
[g] 2 Co. 7. 1.
[h] ch. 3. 17.
[i] He. 12. 10. 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[k] ch. 2. 18, 20.
[l] Phi. 3. 1. 1 Jno. 2. 21.
[m] 1 Pe. 3. 7.

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and be established in the present truth.

13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting *you* in remembrance;

14 Knowing [a] that shortly I must put off *this* my tabernacle, even as [b] our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye [c] may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were [d] eyewitnesses of his majesty.

17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto [e] a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and [f] the day star arise in your hearts:

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not ‡ in old time by the will of man: [g] but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

CHAP. II.

BUT [h] there were false prophets also among the people, even as [i] there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord [k] that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2 And many shall follow their ‖ pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

3 And [l] through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: [m] whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

4 For if God spared not [n] the angels that sinned, but [o] cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

5 And spared not the old world, but saved [p] Noah the eighth *person*, [q] a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

6 And [r] turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an overthrow, [s] making *them* an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

7 And [t] delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, [u] in seeing and hearing, vexed *his* righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;)

9 The [w] Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

10 But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise † government. Presumptuous *are they*, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

11 Whereas [x] angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation [*] against them before the Lord.

12 But these, [y] as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

13 And [z] shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, *as* they that count it pleasure [a] to riot in the day time. Spots *they are* and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while [b] they feast with you;

14 Having eyes full of † adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of [c] Balaam *the son* of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

16 But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet.

17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

18 For when they speak great swelling *words* of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, *through much* wantonness, those that [d] were ‡ clean escaped from them who live in error.

19 While they promise them [e] liberty, they themselves are [f] the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

20 For [g] if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world [h] through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

21 For [i] it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, [k] The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

CHAP. III.

THIS second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in *both* which I [l] stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

3 Knowing [m] this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

4 And saying, [n] Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they* were from the beginning of the creation.

5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that [o] by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth [p] standing out of the water and in the water:

6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto [q] fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord

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[*] Some read, *against themselves.*

[a] Jo. 12. 3.
[b] De. 4. 21. 22. 2 Ti. 4. 6.
[c] Jno. 21. 18, 19.
[d] Phi. 3. 19.
[e] Ro. 13. 13.
[f] 1 Co. 11. 20.
† *an adulterress.*
[g] Mat. 17. 1, 2. Jno. 1. 14. 1 Jno. 1. 1.
[h] Nu. 22 5, &c
[i] Ps. 119. 105 Jno. 5 35.
[k] 2 Co. 4. 6. Re. 2. 28. 22. 16.
[l] ch. 1. 4. Ac. 2. 40.
‡ or, *for a little*, or, *a while*, as some read.
[m] Ge. 5. 13. 1 Pe. 2. 16.
[n] 2 Sa. 23. 2.
[o] Jno. 8. 34. Ro. 6. 16.
[p] Mat. 12. 45. He. 6. 4, &c. 10. 26, 27.
[q] De. 13. 1.
[r] ch. 1. 2.
[s] Mat. 24. 11.
[t] 1 Co. 6. 20. Ga. 3. 13. Ep. 1. 7. He. 10. 29. 1 Pe. 1. 18. Re. 5. 9.
[u] Lu. 12 47, 48 Jno. 9. 41. 15. 22.
‖ or, *lasciviousness*, as some copies read.
[w] Ro. 16. 18. 2 Co. 12. 17, 18. 1 Ti. 6. 5.
[x] De. 32. 35.
[y] Pr. 26. 11.
[z] Job 4. 18. Jno. 8. 44.
[a] Ro. 20. 2, 3.
[b] ch. 1. 13.
[c] Ge. 7. 1, 7, 23. He. 11. 7.
[d] 1 Pe. 3. 19.
[e] Ge. 19. 24.
[f] Nu. 26. 10.
[g] 1 Ti. 4. 1. 2 Ti. 3. 1.
[h] Ge. 19. 16.
[i] Is. 5. 19. Je. 17 15. Lu. 12. 45.
[k] Ps. 119. 158.
[l] Ge. 1. 6, 9. Ps. 33. 6. He. 11. 3.
[m] Ps. 34. 17, 19. 1 Co. 10. 13.
• *consisting.*
† or, *dominion.*
[n] Mat. 25. 41. 2 Th. 1. 8.
[p] Jude 9.

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ACROPOLIS OF AMASSIA.—1 Pet. i. 1.



REFINERS SITTING AT WORK.—*Champollion.*—1 Pet. i. 7.



THE SALT, OR DEAD SEA.—*Forbin.*—2 Pet. ii. 6.

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as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

9 The [b] Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but [d] is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but [f] that all should come to repentance.

10 But [g] the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which [h] the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11 *Seeing* then *that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought ye to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness,

12 Looking [k] for and [o] hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall [m] be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look [p] for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent [q] that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

15 And account *that* [r] the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

16 As also in all *his* epistles, [s] speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, [t] beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

18 But [u] grow in grace, and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. [x] To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen.

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[a] Ps. 90. 4.
[b] Hab. 2. 3. He. 10. 37.
[c] 1 Co. 15. 58.
[d] Is. 30. 18.
[e] 1 Pe. 3. 20.
[f] Ro. 2. 4.
[g] Mat. 24. 43. 1 Th. 5. 2.
[h] Ps. 102. 26. Is. 51. 6.
[i] Ro. 8. 19.
[k] Tit. 2. 13.
[o] or, *hasting the coming.*
[l] Ep. 4. 14, 15.
[m] Ps. 50. 3. Is. 34. 4.
[n] Ho. 6. 3.
[p] 1 Pe. 2. 2.
[q] 2 Ti. 4. 18. Re. 1. 6.
[r] Is. 65. 17. 66. 22. Re 21. 1, 27.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

1 *Pet.* I. 1.—**ACROPOLIS OF AMASIA.** This was the chief city of Pontus, and the ancient residence of the kings of Cappadocia. Pontus was a province of Asia Minor, and was situated north of Cappadocia, and bounded west by Paphlagonia. The country extended along the south shore of the sea called Pontus Euxinus, at present the Black Sea. This ancient kingdom was originally a part of Cappadocia. The kingdom was divided into three parts, 1. Pontus Cappadocius, extending from Pontus Polemoniacus to Colchis, having Armenia Minor and the upper stream of the Euphrates for its southern boundary. 2. Pontus Galaticus, extending from the river Halys to the Thermodon. 3. Pontus Polemoniacus, from the Thermodon to the borders of Pontus Cappadocius. This country and the adjacent provinces were at different periods under the dominion of the Assyrians, Medes, and Persians; the last of whom divided Cappadocia into satrapies or governments. For a time Pontus fell under the power of the Macedonians. Some time after it recovered its freedom, we find it a most powerful warlike nation, and engaged in a conflict with the Romans. The Roman army was greatly composed of troops of Bythinia, Cappadocia, Paphlagonia, and Gallo-Grsecia, and, together with the Roman soldiers in Asia, amounted to 70,000 men and 6000 horse. But the forces of the king of Pontus amounted to 250,000 foot, 40,000 horse, and 130 armed chariots. These facts shew its importance. The king of Pontus and the Romans had many severe battles, but after a time Hannibal the Vii., who had been so powerful, lost his military strength, and laid violent hands on himself. Pompey immediately obtained entire possession of Pontus, and reduced it to the form of a Roman province. Amasia gave birth to two distinguished men, Mithridates the Great, and Strabo the geographer. It is now one of the ancient towns of Turkey in Natolia, and the capital of the district of that name. It is the residence of a pacha. It is commanded by a fort, situated in the highest part of the town, as seen in the cut. Like the citadel of Athens, this acropolis is built upon a rock —a sharp-pointed rock. It is surrounded by mountains, so that it can be approached only by two narrow passes on the north and south, which are so rugged as to be deemed impregnable. Amasia is now extensive and populous, having about 70,000 inhabitants, with narrow and dirty streets, and wooden houses. It has a large Christian population.

Ch. I. 7.—**REFINERS SITTING AT WORK.** The refiner's office is to melt and test metals, purifying them from their dross. The art of refining appears to have been very ancient. Our cut shews how the Egyptians used the furnace. The allusion to this art is very common in Scripture, and it is always very forcible and striking, as in Is. xlviii. 10, "Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction;" which Rosenmuller interpreta, he had not tried them with that intensity of heat which was necessary to melt and refine silver; and he remarks, that those skilled in metals observe that gold is easily liquified, but that silver requires a more intense heat to purify it, and that the same is, 'that God has not dealt with his people with the utmost severity, but with comparative clemency and mildness.' In Malachi the same figure is used to describe the effects of Messiah's ministry: "He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness." Here a trial is signified under the image of an assayist's separation of the nobler metals from the dross with which they are blended in the ore. 'The worship of God should be purged of all hypocrisy and superstition, and reduced to a few simple rites, the natural expressions of true devotion.' In the text above a comparison is drawn between gold and faith, and the precious metal, though ever so pure and valuable, is lighter than vanity when they are weighed together. The believer is a richer man than Cresus. It is not surprising that the refiner should be a Scripture subject for illustration. It admits of forcible and beautiful applications, and is in obvious that it is a business of some importance. A traveller, in describing Damascus and its trades, says, 'The Armenian gold and silversmiths carry on their trade in what was once a Christian church. It is parted off into alleys, where the workmen sit with fire, bellows, anvils, hammers, pincers, drawers, and so forth; and the ear is stunned with the incessant clattering on all sides. Old men, with sallow faces and grey beards, are seen poring over ingots of gold and silver, melting the metal in pots and pans on charcoal fires, or drawing it out into long wires, and hammering it into different shapes; and people are constantly coming in with rings, bracelets, silver filagree baskets, and various kinds of jewellery to be repaired, or to serve as patterns for articles to be made to order. The stocks of the jewellers are considerable.'

2 *Pet.* II. 6.—**THE SALT OR DEAD SEA.** 'No one,' says Herschell, 'can look on this remarkable spot without feeling that the curse rests upon it. It is a salt lake, or inland sea, about fifty miles in length, and generally from ten to twelve miles broad. The Arabs call it "the sea of Lot." Robinson observes, that 'the phenomena around the Dead Sea are such as might naturally be expected from the character of its waters, and the region round about—a naked, solitary desert. It lies in its deep cauldron, surrounded by lofty cliffs of naked limestone rock, and exposed for seven or eight months in each year to the unclouded beams of a burning sun. Nothing, therefore, but sterility and death-like solitude can be looked for upon its shores.' The water is intensely salt, with a bitter, disagreeable taste. Those who have bathed in it have found its water extremely buoyant. The stories of the pestiferous nature of the Dead Sea and its waters are a mere fable. There is naturally an immense evaporation from the sea itself, in consequence of its low position and exposure to the summer heats. Ancient and modern travellers agree that the Dead Sea has no traces of animal or vegetable life. There being no fish, there are no water-fowls. The cities of the plain are supposed to have stood at the southern end of the lake. See note on Jude.

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The First Epistle general of JOHN.

Written to correct certain errors respecting the person of Christ, and the obligations of Christians

CHAP. I.

THAT [a] which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and [c] our hands have handled, of the Word of life;

2 (For the life [d] was manifested, and we have seen *it*, [e] and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)

3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly [f] our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

4 And these things write we unto you, [h] that your joy may be full.

5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that [i] God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

6 If [m] we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and [p] the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

8 If [q] we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

9 If [r] we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to [s] cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

CHAP. II.

MY little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, [d] we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

2 And [f] he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but [g] also for *the sins of* the whole world.

3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.

4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

5 But [k] whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

6 He [l] that saith he abideth in him [m] ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

7 Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment [o] which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning.

8 Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: [r] because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.

9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.

10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and [t] there is none † occasion of stumbling in him.

11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and [v] walketh in darkness, and

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[a] Jno. 1. 1.
[b] Is. 43. 25. Lu. 24. 47. Ac. 4. 12. 13. 38.
[c] Lu. 24. 39.
[d] Ro. 16. 26. 1 Ti. 3. 16.
[e] Jno. 21. 24. Ac. 2. 32.
[f] Jno. 17. 21. 1 Co. 1. 9.
[g] Ep. 6. 10.
[h] Jno. 15. 11. 16. 24.
[i] Ro. 13. 2.
[k] Mat. 6. 24. Ga. 1. 10. Ja. 4. 4.
[l] Jno. 1. 9. 8. 12. 12. 35, 36.
[m] 2 Co. 6. 14.
[n] Ec. 5. 11.
[o] 1 Co. 7. 31. Ja. 1. 10. 1 Pe. 1. 24.
[p] Ep. 1. 7. He. 9. 14. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Re. 1. 5.
[q] He. 1. 2.
[r] Job 15. 14. Ec. 7. 20.
[s] 1 Th. 2. 3, 5, 6 Mat. 24. 5, 24
[t] 1 Jno. 7.
[v] Ps. 32. 5.
[x] 1 Ti. 4. 1. 2 Ti. 3. 1.
[y] Ps. 51. 2.
[z] De. 13. 13. Ps. 41. 9. Ac. 20. 30.
[a] Jno. 6. 37. 10. 28, 29.
[b] 1 Co. 11. 19.
[c] 2 Co. 1. 21. He. 1. 9.
[d] Ro. 8. 34. He. 7. 25. 9. 24.
[e] Jno. 10. 4, 5.
[f] Ro. 3. 25.
[g] ch. 4. 14. Jno. 1. 29.
[h] Ac. 7. 51, 52.
[i] Jno. 14. 7, 9, 10.
[k] Mat. 5. 48. Phi. 3. 15.
[l] Jno. 15. 4, 5.
[m] Mat. 11. 29. Jno. 13. 15. 1 Pe. 2. 21.
[n] ch. 5. 11. Jno. 17. 3.
[o] ch. 3. 11. 2 Jno. 5.
[p] Je. 31. 33, 34. He. 8. 10, 11.
[r] Ep. 5. 8. 1 Th. 5. 5, 8.
[s] Jno. 16. 13.
[t] or, *it*.
† *scandal*.
[u] Ac. 22. 14.
‡ or, *know ye*
[v] Jno. 12. 35.

knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

12 I write unto you, little children, because [b] your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.

13 I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that* is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father.

14 I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that* is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because [c] ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.

15 Love [i] not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. [k] If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, [n] and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

17 And [o] the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

18 Little children, [r] it is the last time: and as ye have heard that [x] antichrist shall come, [n] even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know [r] that it is the last time.

19 They [z] went out from us, but they were not of us; for [a] if they had been of us, they would *no doubt* have continued with us: but *they went out*, [b] that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

20 But [y] ye have an unction from the Holy One, and [c] ye know all things.

21 I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

23 Whosoever [h] denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: [*but*] ‡ *he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*

24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

25 And [n] this is the promise that he hath promised us, *even* eternal life.

26 These *things* have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.

27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and [p] ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing [q] teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in [n] him.

28 And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

29 If [o] ye know that he is righteous, ‡ ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

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CHAP. III.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that [a] we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

2 Beloved, [b] now are we the sons of God, and [c] it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, [d] we shall be like him; for [e] we shall see him as he is.

3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for [f] sin is the transgression of the law.

5 And ye know that he was manifested [g] to take away our sins; and [h] in him is no sin.

6 Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

7 Little children, let no man deceive you: [i] he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, [k] that he might destroy the works of the devil.

9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for [l] his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

11 For this is the [m] message that ye heard from the beginning, [n] that we should love one another.

12 Not as [o] Cain, *who* was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

13 Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.

14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother abideth in death.

15 Whosoever [p] hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know [q] that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

16 Hereby [r] perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.

17 But [s] whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

18 My little children, [t] let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall [u] assure our hearts before him.

20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

21 Beloved, [v] if our heart condemn us not, *then* have we confidence toward God.

22 And [w] whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

23 And [x] this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, [y] and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

24 And he that keepeth his commandments [z] dwelleth in him, and he in him. And [a] hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

CHAP. IV.

BELOVED, [b] believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because [c] many false prophets are gone out into the world.

2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: [d] Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and [e] even now already is it in the world.

4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because *greater* is he that is in you, than [f] he that is in the world.

5 They [g] are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.

6 We are of God: [h] he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we [i] the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

8 He that loveth not [k] knoweth not God; for God is love.

9 In [l] this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, [m] that we might live through him.

10 Herein is love, [n] not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son *[o] to be* the propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, [p] if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

12 No [q] man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

14 And [r] we have seen and do testify that [s] the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the world.

15 Whosoever [t] shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

17 Herein is [u] our love made perfect, that [v] we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19 We love him, because he first loved us.

20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

21 And [w] this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

CHAP. V.

WHOSOEVER [x] believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every

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[a] Jno. 13. 34.
[b] Ho. 1. 10
[c] Jno. 17. 21, &c.
[d] Ro. 8. 9.
[e] Is. 56. 5. Ga. 3. 26. 4. 6.
[f] Ro. 8. 18. 2 Co. 4. 17.
[g] Je. 29. 8. Mat. 24. 4.
[h] Ro. 8. 29. 1 Co. 15. 49.
[i] Job 19. 26. Ps. 16. 11.
[k] Mat. 24. 5, 24. Ac. 20. 30.
[l] 1 Co. 12. 3.
[m] Ro. 4. 15.
[n] Is. 53. 5, 6, 11. 1 Ti. 1. 15.
[o] 2 Co. 5. 21. 1 Pe. 2. 22.
[p] 2 Th. 2. 7.
[q] Eze. 18. 5..9. Ro. 2. 13.
[r] Jno. 12. 31. 1 Co. 2. 12. Ep. 2. 2.
[s] Jno. 3. 31.
[t] Jno. 8. 47. 10. 27. 1 Co. 14. 37. 2 Co. 10. 7.
[u] Ge. 3. 15. He. 2. 14.
[x] Is. 8. 20. Jno. 14. 17.
[y] 1 Pe. 1. 23.
[z] ch. 2. 4. 3. 6.
[a] Ro. 5. 8. 6. 23.

- or, *commandment.*

[b] Jno. 15. 12.
[c] ch. 5. 11.
[d] Jno. 15. 15. Ro. 5. 8, 10. Tit. 3. 4.
[e] Ge. 4. 4, 8. He. 11. 4.
[f] ch. 2. 2.
[g] Mat. 18. 33. Jno. 15. 12, 13.
[h] Ex. 33. 20. Jno. 1. 18. 1 Ti. 6. 16.
[i] Mat. 5 21, 22
[k] Jno. 1. 14.
[l] Ga. 5. 21.
[m] Jno. 3. 17.
[n] Jno. 3. 16. Ep. 5. 2, 25.
[o] Ro. 10. 9.
[p] De. 15. 7. Lu. 3. 11.

† *love with us*

[r] Ja. 2. 13.
[s] Eze. 33. 31. Ja. 2. 15.

‡ *persuade.*

[t] Job 22. 26. He. 10. 22.
[u] Ps. 34. 15. Pr. 15. 29. Je. 29. 12. Mat. 7. 8.
[v] Mat. 23. 37, 39
[w] Jno. 6. 29. 7. 3.
[x] De. 18. 15. 19 Ac. 3. 22, 23.

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one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and [c] his commandments are not grievous.

4 For [d] whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.

5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but [e] he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is he that came [f] by water and blood, *even* Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. [g] And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, [h] the Word, and the Holy Ghost: [m] and these three are one.

8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

9 If we receive [p] the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: [r] for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.

10 He that believeth on the Son of God [s] hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God [v] hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and [x] this life is in his Son.

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[a] Jno. 5. 24.
[b] Jno. 20. 31.
[c] Mi. 6. 8. Mat. 11. 30.
[d] Jno. 16. 33.
[e] or, *concerning.*
[f] 1 Co. 15. 57.
[g] Jno. 19. 34.
[h] Jno. 16. 13. 1 Ti. 3. 16.
[k] Job 42. 8. Ja. 5. 14,15.
[l] Mat. 12. 31, 32. He. 6. 4. 6. 10. 26.
[k] Jo. 7. 16.
[l] Jno. 1. 1. Re. 19. 13.
[m] Jno. 10. 30.
[n] 1 Pe. 1. 23
[o] Ja. 1. 27.
[p] Jno. 8. 17, 18.
[r] Mat. 3. 16, 17 17. 5.
[s] Ga. 1. 4.
[t] Ro. 8. 16. Ga. 4. 6.
[u] Lu. 21. 15.
[v] Jno. 3. 33. 5. 38.
[x] Jno. 17. 3.
[y] Is. 9 6. Ac 20. 28. Ro. 9. 5. He. 1. 8.
[z] Jno. 1. 4.
[a] 1 Co. 10. 14.

12 He [a] that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

13 These [b] things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

14 And this is the confidence that we have [c] in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

16 If any man see his brother sin a sin *which is* not unto death, he shall ask, and [d] he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. [e] There is a sin unto death: [f] I do not say that he shall pray for it.

17 All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.

18 We know that [g] whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God [h] keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.

19 *And* we know that we are of God, and [i] the whole world lieth in wickedness.

20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and [m] hath given us an understanding, [n] that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, *even* in his Son Jesus Christ. [o] This is the true God, and eternal life.

21 Little children, [p] keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

The Second Epistle of JOHN.

Addressed to a pious lady of eminence, to caution her against some false teachers.

THE elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known [c] the truth;

2 For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.

3 Grace [e] be with you, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

4 I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father.

5 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, [g] that we love one another.

6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

7 For many deceivers are entered into

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[a] Mar. 13. 9.
[b] Ga. 3. 4. He. 10. 32, 35
[c] Jno. 8. 32. Ga. 2. 5, 14.
[d] or, *gained:* some copies read, *which we have gained, but that ye, &c.*
[e] *shall be.*
[f] Ro. 16. 17. Ga. 1. 8, 9.
[g] Jno. 13. 34. Ep. 5. 2. 1 Pe. 4. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 23
‡ *mouth to mouth.*
§ or, *your.*
[f] 1 Pe. 5. 13.

the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

8 Look [a] to yourselves, [b] that we lose not those things which we have [d] wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your* house, [d] neither bid him God speed:

11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

12 Having many things to write unto you, I would not *write* with paper and ink: but I trust to come unto you, and speak ‡ face to face, that § our joy may be full.

13 The [f] children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen.

The Third Epistle of JOHN.

Written to commend Gaius, supposed to have been a private Christian of property, for his hospitality.

THE elder unto the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love [e] in the truth.

2 Beloved, I [f] wish above all things that

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[e] or, *truly.*
[f] or, *pray.*

thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth

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GREEK AND ROMAN IDOLS.—*From the Antique.*—1 Jno. v. 21.



WRITING TABLETS, ANCIENT GREEK.—2 Jno. 12.

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that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.

4 I have no greater joy than to hear that [a] my children walk in truth.

5 Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers;

6 Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey [b] after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:

7 Because that for his name's sake [c] they went forth, [f] taking nothing of the Gentiles.

8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth.

9 I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, [h] who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.

10 Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth *them* out of the church.

11 Beloved, [i] follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. [k] He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.

12 Demetrius [d] hath good report of all *men*, and of the truth itself: yea, and we *also* bear record; [g] and ye know that our record is true.

13 I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:

14 But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak [†] face to face. Peace *be* to thee. *Our* friends salute thee. [l]Greet the friends by name.

A. D. 90.

[a] 1 Co. 4. 15. Phile. 10.
[b] Ps. 37. 37. Is. 1. 16, 17. 1 Pe. 3. 11.
[c] 1 Jno. 2. 29. 3. 6, 9.
[*] *worthy of God.*
[d] 1 Ti. 3. 7.
[e] Ac. 8. 4. Col. 1. 24. Re. 2. 3.
[f] 1 Co. 9. 12, 15.
[g] Jno. 21. 24.
[h] Ga. 5. 26. Phi. 2. 3.
[†] *mouth to mouth.*
[i] Ro. 16. 5, &c. 1 Co. 16. 20.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

1 *Jno.* v. 21.—GREEK AND ROMAN IDOLS. Those to whom the apostle wrote were surrounded by idolaters, and there was a danger of their falling into the prevailing sin; hence his exhortation, "Little children, keep yourselves from idols." He would have them avoid worshipping them, or holding communion with them or their devotees in any way. The first objects of idolatry were the sun, moon, and stars, angels, demons, men, and animals; afterwards, as men became more corrupt, they began to form images, and to entertain the opinion, that by virtue of consecration, the gods were called down to inhabit their statues; though it is certain that the wiser heathens considered them only as figures designed to recall to their minds the memories of their gods. But the people in general believed the statues to be gods, and paid divine worship to stocks and stones. Idolatry seems to have prevailed soon after the flood, for so early as the time of Abraham, we scarcely find any other worship; and it appears from Scripture, that Abraham's forefathers, and even Abraham himself, were for a time idolaters. The Hebrews were expressly forbidden to make any representation of God, —they were not so much as to look upon an idol; and, from the time of the Maccabees to the destruction of Jerusalem, the Jews extended this precept to the making the figure of any man. By the law of Moses they were commanded to destroy all the images they found, and were forbidden to apply any of the gold or silver to their own use, that no one might receive the least profit from anything belonging to an idol. The Jewish rabbies even asserted that it was unlawful to use any vessel that had been employed in sacrificing to a false god, to warm themselves with the wood of a grove after it was cut down, or to shelter themselves under its shade. When the apostles went forth to preach to the Gentiles, they found them everywhere given to idolatry, the learned equally with the ignorant, so that Athens was swarming with idols. How readily and easily the Gentiles made men into gods is seen in the conduct of the Lycaonians, when, on Paul curing the cripple at Lystra, they took Barnabas for Jupiter, and Paul for Mercury, and cried, "The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men." Their idolatry partook of a sort of ubiquity; they had celestial gods and terrestrial. They had goddesses as well as gods. They had inferior as well as superior deities. They had goddesses of the woods and gods of the sea: gods not only of earth, but of hell. Their idolatry met them at all times, in every place, and under all circumstances. Mars, Minerva, and others, were their leaders in war; and Jupiter, Juno, and others, aided in giving them success. Spoils were dedicated to these, and to Apollo in his temple. To demolish a trophy was looked upon as unlawful, and a kind of sacrilege, because they were all consecrated to some deity. These were gods worshipped by the learned Grecians. The Romans also abounded in gods: they had one for every month in the year. 'These twelve gods were believed to preside over the twelve months; to each of them was allotted a month: January to Janus, February to Neptune March to Minerva, April to Venus, May to Apollo, June to Mercury, July to Jupiter, August to Ceres, September to Vulcan, October to Mars, November to Diana, December to Vesta.' The Christian religion, wherever it prevailed, entirely rooted out the pagan idolatry; as did also the Mahommedan, which is built upon the worship of one God. But the popish church, though denying that they worship images, pay that degree of adoration to the pictures and images of saints and martyrs, that must inevitably induce the vulgar crowd, and even many of a higher grade, to commit acts so like idolatry that it is difficult to distinguish between them. If they profess to reject paganism, they retain much that resembles its form and spirit. They burn lamps, wax candles, and incense, before the images of saints and martyrs, and kneeling, offer their vows and petitions; while, like the pagans, they are said to believe that the saint to whom the image is dedicated presides in a particular manner about its shrine, and works miracles by the intervention of its image; and that, if the image were destroyed or taken away, the saint would no longer perform any miracle in that place. The word rendered idols in the text above referred to, means properly an image, spectre, shade—as of the dead; then any image or figure which would represent anything, particularly anything invisible: and hence anything designed to represent God, and that was set up with a view to be acknowledged as representing him, or to bring him the ideas perfections more vividly before the mind. This word is applicable to idol gods—heathen deities, (Rom. ii. 22; 1 Cor. viii. 4, 7; x. 19; 2 Cor. vi. 16; 1 Thes. i. 9;) but it would also be applicable to any image designed to represent the true God, and through or by which the true God was to be adored. The essential things in the word seem to be an image or representation of the Deity, and the making of that an object of adoration instead of the true God. Since one of these things would be likely to lead to the other, both are forbidden in the prohibitions of idolatry, Exod. x. 4, 5. This would forbid all attempts to represent God by paintings or statuary; all idol-worship, or worship of heathen gods; all images and pictures that would be substituted in the place of God as objects of devotion, or that might transfer the homage from God to the image; and all giving of those affections to other beings or objects which are due to God. The idols given by our artist are Diana, Jupiter, and Mars.

2 *Jno.* 12.—WRITING TABLETS. Ancient writing was done by engraving on hard substances, as stone or lead. They afterwards wrote on sticks, or pieces of wood. Then a board was used, thinly spread over with wax, which was marked with a style, or iron pen. These were tied together, and sent to parties concerned, filled with letters or epistles. Subsequently we find paper and parchment introduced, which letters the Arabs to this day roll up, then flatten and fasten them at one end, instead of sealing them. The Egyptians wrote both on papyrus and linen. The ink with which the ancients wrote was not so fluid as ours; and it appears from Roman manuscripts, of about the time of the apostle Paul, that the ink was vitriolic, from the circumstance of the corrosive acid having eaten through some of the parchments.

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The general Epistle of JUDE.

Probably written to caution against the same deceivers as those against whom the Second Epistle of Peter was written.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and [a] brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and [b] preserved in Jesus Christ, *and* [c] called:

2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of [d] the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that [e] ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, [f] who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, [g] turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward [h] destroyed them that believed not.

6 And the angels which kept not their [i] first estate, but left their own habitation, [j] he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

7 Even as [k] Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after [†] strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

8 Likewise also these *filthy* dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and [l] speak evil of dignities.

9 Yet [m] Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, [n] The Lord rebuke thee.

10 But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.

11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way [o] of Cain, and [p] ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished [q] in the gainsaying of Core.

A. D. 66.

[a] Lu. 6. 16. Ac. 1. 13.
[b] Pr. 22. 14.
[c] Jno. 17. 11. 12.15. 1 Pe. 1. 5.
[d] Ro. 1. 7.
[e] Mat. 15. 13.
[f] Is. 57. 20. Phl. 3. 19.
[g] Tit. 1. 4.
[h] Phl. 1. 27.
[i] Ge. 5. 18.
[j] De. 33. 2. Da. 7. 10. Zec. 14. 5.
[k] 1 Pe. 2. 8.
[l] Re. 13. 19.
[m] Nu. 14. 37. 25. 64. He. 3.17,19.
[n] Fr. 28. 21. Ja. 2. 1, 9.
[o] or, *principality*.
[p] 2 Pe. 2. 4. Re. 20. 10.
[r] 1 Ti. 4. 1. 2 Pe. 2. 1.
[s] De. 25. 23.
[t] Ezr. 14. 7. Ho. 9. 10.
† *other*.
[u] Col. 2. 7. 1 Ti. 1. 4.
[v] Ro. 8 26. Ep. 6. 18.
[w] Ex. 22. 28.
[x] Tit. 2. 13.
[y] Re. 1. 7.
[z] Ro. 11. 14. 1 Ti. 4. 16.
[a] Am. 4. 11. Zec. 3. 2. 1 Co. 3. 15.
[b] Zec. 3. 2.
[c] De. 3. 3.
[d] Ro. 16. 25. Ep. 3. 20.
[e] Col. 1. 22.
[f] Ge. 4. 5. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[g] Nu.22.7,21.
[h] Ro. 16. 27.
[i] Nu.16.1,&c

12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: [r] clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, [s] plucked up by the roots;

13 Raging [t] waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

14 And Enoch also, [u] the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, [v] the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling *words*, [w] having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;

18 How that they told you [x] there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

19 These be they [y] who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

20 But ye, beloved, [z] building up yourselves on your most holy faith, [a] praying in the Holy Ghost,

21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, [b] looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

22 And of some have compassion, making a difference:

23 And others [c] save with fear, [d] pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even [e] the garment spotted by the flesh.

24 Now [f] unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and [g] to present *you* faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

25 To [h] the only wise God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

[j] Jno. 8. 56.
[k] Ge. 19. 24. De. 29. 23. Is. 1. 9. Je. 49. 18. 50. 40. Ho. 11. 8.
[l] 2 Pe. 2. 10.
[m] Da. 10. 13. 21. 12. 1.
[n] Zec. 3. 2.
[o] Ge. 4. 8. 1 Jno. 3. 12.
[p] Nu.22.7,21.
[q] Nu.16.1,&c
[r] Ho. 6. 4.
[s] Ho. 9. 16.
[t] Is. 57. 20.
[u] Ge. 5. 18.
[v] De. 33. 2. Da. 7. 10. Zec. 14. 5.
[w] Le. 19. 15. De. 1. 17. 16. 19. Pr. 24. 23. 28. 21.
[x] 2 Pe. 3. 3.
[y] or, *make a division*.
[z] Col. 2. 7.
[a] Ep. 6. 18.
[b] Tit. 2. 13.
[c] Am. 4. 11. Zec. 3. 2. 1 Co. 3. 15.
[d] Zec. 3. 2.
[e] Le. 13. 49.
[f] 2 Ti. 4. 18. 2 Pe. 3. 14.
[g] Col. 1. 22.
[h] Ro. 16. 27.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

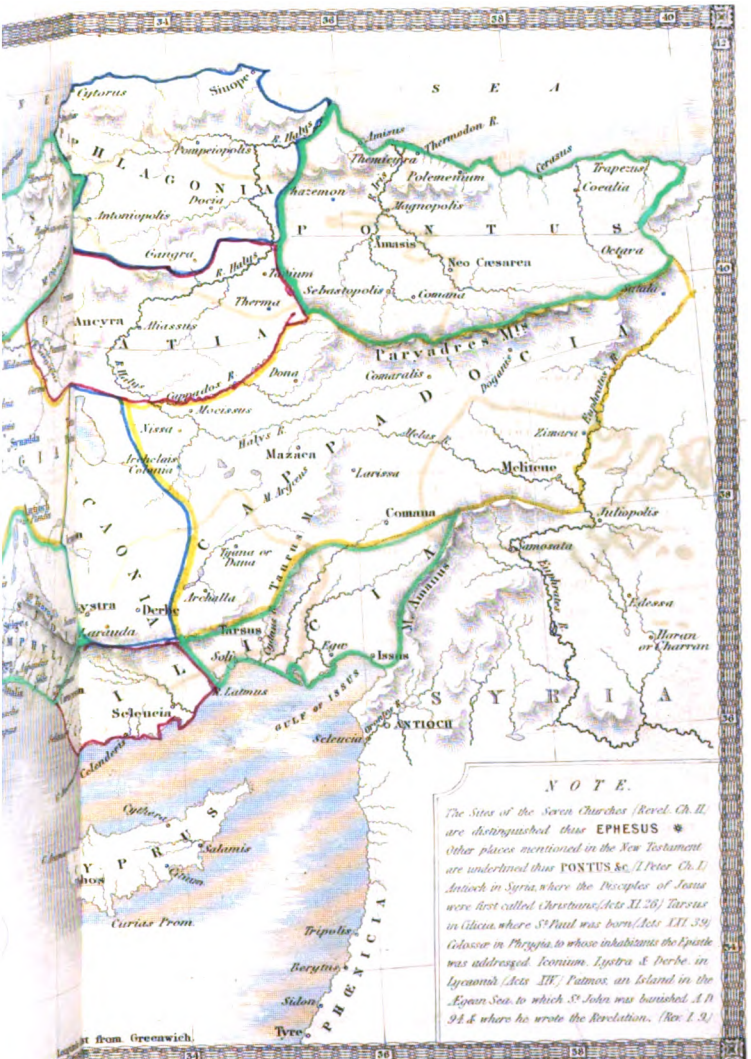
Ver. 7.—"Even as Sodom and Gomorrha." For an explanation of this allusion, see plate and illustration in 2 Pet. ii. 6. The divine hand was evident in the destruction of the cities of the plain; but it is obvious that, the materials being all ready, God had only to speak the word, and they at his bidding performed his work. Dr. Adam Clarke thinks that 'a shower of nitrous particles might have been precipitated from the atmosphere—here, as in many other places, called heaven—which, by the action of fire on the electric fluid, would be immediately ignited, and so consume the cities. And, as the plains about Sodom and Gomorrha abounded with asphaltus, or bitumen pits, that which is particularly meant, with reference to the plain, in Gen. xix. 24, "Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrha brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven," is the setting fire to this vast store of inflammable matter by the agency of lightning or the electric fluid; and this, in the most natural and literal manner, accounts for the whole plain being burnt up, as that plain abounded with this bituminous substance.' We may here introduce a few remarks respecting the far-famed but fabulous apples of Sodom. Maunden the traveller says, 'The far-famed fruit of the tree of Sodom, "which tempts the eye, and turns to ashes on the lips," is nowhere to be found on the western shore; and Burckhardt seems to favour the opinion of its having only an imaginary existence, but it does exist in the vicinity of El Ghor. I saw one of the apples at Mar Saba, and perhaps the only plant in Egypt producing this fruit I discovered at Kosem Amoos, in Upper Egypt, growing in a corner of the small temple of Osis, facing the Nile. The plant was not quite the height of the palma christi. The fruit was like one of the pomegranate, and indeed, from the similarity of the fruit and leaves, I consider the Dead Sea apple as a spurious pomegranate. It was indeed tempting to the eye, but deceitful to the sense. On opening it, it was quite empty, the surface of the rind having only a light feculent sort of cotton attached to it, which was destroyed by the lightest touch. This was the true Dead Sea apple which I saw in Egypt, and which I also found in Mar Saba, albeit Shaw and Pococke doubt its existence.'

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NOTE.

The Sites of the Seven Churches (Revel. Ch. II.) are distinguished thus EPHESUS ✻
Other places mentioned in the New Testament are underlined thus PONTUS &c. (1 Peter. Ch. I.)
Antioch in Syria, where the Disciples of Jesus were first called Christians, (Acts XI. 26.) Tarsus in Cilicia, where St Paul was born, (Acts XXI. 39.) Colossæ in Phrygia, to whose inhabitants the Epistle was addressed. Iconium, Lystra & Derbe, in Lycaonia (Acts XIV.) Patmos, an Island in the Ægean Sea, to which St John was banished, A.D. 94. & where he wrote the Revelation. (Rev. I. 9.)

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The REVELATION of S. JOHN the Divine.

Predicts the destinies of the church from a period shortly after the fall of Jerusalem to the end of time. Written about A. D. 95.

CHAP. I.

THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which [a] God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John:

2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things [b] that he saw.

3 Blessed [c] *is* he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for [d] the time *is* at hand.

4 JOHN to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from him [e] which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

5 And from Jesus Christ, [f] *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the [g] first begotten of the dead, and [h] the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him [i] that loved us, [k] and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

6 And hath [l] made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; [m] to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

7 Behold, [n] he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and [o] they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

8 I [p] am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and [q] in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

10 I was in the Spirit on [r] the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, [s] I saw seven golden candlesticks;

13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks [t] *one* like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

14 His head and [u] *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes *were* as a flame of fire;

15 And [v] his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and [w] his voice as the sound of many waters.

16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and [x] out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: [y] and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.

17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; [z] I am the first and the last:

18 I [a] *am* he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and [b] have the keys of hell and of death.

19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, [c] and the things which shall be hereafter;

20 The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are [d] the angels of the seven churches: and [e] the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

CHAP. II.

UNTO the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith [f] he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

2 I [g] know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and [h] thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast [i] not fainted.

4 Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; [k] or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

6 But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate.

7 He [l] that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat [m] of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

8 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith [n] the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

9 I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art [o] rich) and *I know* the blasphemy of [p] them which say they are Jews, and are not, but *are* the synagogue of Satan.

10 Fear [q] none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: [r] be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee [s] a crown of life.

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of [t] the second death.

12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, *even* where Satan's seat *is*: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not

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[a] Is. 44. 6. 48. 12.
[b] Jno. 3. 32. 12. 49.
[c] Ro. 6. 9.
[d] Ps. 68. 20.
[e] 1 Jno. 1. 1.
[f] ch. 4. 1, &c.
[g] Lu. 11. 28.
[h] ch. 22. 10.
[i] 1 Pe. 4. 7.
[k] Mal. 2. 7.
[l] Zec. 4. 2. Mat. 5. 15. Phi. 2. 15.
[m] Ex. 3. 14. Ps. 90. 2. Jno. 1. 1.
[n] Lu. 12. 50. Jno. 8. 14. 1 Ti. 6. 13.
[o] 1 Co. 15. 20. Col. 1. 18.
[p] ch. 1. 15, 20.
[q] Ep. 1. 20.
[r] Jno. 15. 9. Ga. 2. 20.
[s] Ro. 8. 34. Ep. 2. 13. He. 9. 14.
[t] 1 Jno. 1. 7. ch. 3. 1, 5, 15. Ps. 1. 6.
[u] 1 Pe. 2. 5, 9.
[v] He. 13. 21. 1 Pe. 5. 11.
[w] 2 Co. 11. 13. 2 Pe. 2. 1. 1 Jno. 4. 1.
[x] Da. 7. 13 Mat. 24. 30. Ac. 1. 11.
[y] Zec. 12. 10. Jno. 19. 37.
[z] Ga. 6. 9.
[a] He. 12. 3, 5.
[b] Is. 41. 4.
[c] Mat. 21. 41. 43.
[d] Ro. 8. 17.
[e] Mat. 11. 15. 13. 9, 43.
[f] Jno. 20. 26. Ac. 20. 7. 1 Co. 16. 2.
[g] ch. 22. 2, 14. Ge. 2. 9.
[h] ch. 1. 8, 11, 18 Pr 8. 22. 31.
[i] Lu. 12. 21. 1 Ti. 6. 18. Ja. 2. 5.
[k] Ro. 2. 28, 29. 9. 6.
[l] Ex. 25. 37. Zec. 4. 2.
[m] Mat. 10. 22.
[n] Ese. 1. 26. Da. 10. 16.
[o] Mat. 24. 13.
[p] Ja. 1. 12.
[q] Da. 7. 9.
[r] Ese. 1. 7.
[s] ch. 20. 14. Mat. 10. 28.
[t] Ese. 43. 2.
[u] Is. 49. 2. Ep. 6. 17. He. 4. 12.
[v] Ac. 26. 13.

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denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of [a] Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, [b] to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

15 So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of [c] the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate.

16 Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and [d] will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth *it*.

18 And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet *are* like fine brass;

19 I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last *to be* more than the first.

20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman [e] Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants [f] to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

21 And I gave her space [g] to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

22 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that [h] I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and [i] I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

24 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

25 But that which ye have *already* hold fast till I come.

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth [j] my works unto the end, [k] to him will I give power over the nations:

27 And [l] he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

28 And I will give him [m] the morning star.

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

CHAP. III.

AND unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, [n] and art dead.

2 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

3 Remember [o] therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. [p] If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

4 Thou hast [q] a few names even in Sardis which have not [r] defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not [s] blot out his name out of the [t] book of life, but [u] I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith [v] he that is holy, [w] he that is true, he that hath [x] the key of David, [y] he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and [z] shutteth, and no man openeth;

8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee [a] an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

9 Behold, I will make [b] them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, [c] I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, [d] I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon [e] all the world, to try them that dwell [f] upon the earth.

11 Behold, [g] I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12 Him that overcometh will I make [h] a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, *which is* [i] new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and *I will write upon him* my new name.

13 He [k] that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

14 And unto the angel of the church [l] of the Laodiceans write; [m] These things saith the Amen, [n] the faithful and true witness, [o] the beginning of the creation of God;

15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

17 Because thou sayest, [p] I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

18 I counsel thee [q] to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and [r] white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

19 As [s] many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

20 Behold, [t] I stand at the door, and knock: [u] if any man hear my voice, and open the door, [v] I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

21 To him that overcometh [w] will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even

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[a] Mat. 24. 42. 43. 25. 13. 1 Th. 5. 2, 6. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[b] Ac. 1. 15.
[c] Nu. 25. 1. 31. 16. 2 Pe. 2. 15.
[d] Jude 23.
[e] 1 Co. 8. 9, 10. 10. 19, 20.
[f] 1 Ti. 4. 1.
[g] Ex. 32. 32. Ps. 69. 28.
[h] Phil. 4. 3.
[i] Lu. 12. 8.
[k] Is. 11. 4. 2 Th. 2. 8.
[l] Ac. 3. 14.
[m] 1 Jno. 5. 20.
[n] Is. 22. 22. Lu. 1.
[o] Mat. 16. 19.
[p] Job 12. 14.
[q] 1 Co. 16. 9. 2 Co. 2. 12.
[r] ch. 2. 9.
[s] Is. 49. 23. 60. 14.
[t] 1 Ki. 16. 31. 21. 25.
[u] 2 Pe. 2. 9.
[v] Ex. 31. 15. Ac. 15. 20, 29
[w] Lu 2. 1.
[x] Is. 24. 17.
[y] ch. 9. 20. Ro. 2. 4.
[z] Phi. 4. 5.
[a] 1 Ki. 7. 21. Ga. 2. 9.
[b] Ps. 7. 9. Je. 17. 10. Jno. 2 24, 25. Ac. 1. 24. Ro. 8. 27.
[c] Ga. 4. 28. He. 12. 22.
[d] Mat. 16. 27. Ro. 2. 6. 14. 12. 2 Co. 5. 10.
[e] Mat. 11. 15.
[f] or. *in Laodicea.*
[g] Is. 65. 16.
[h] ch. 22. 6.
[i] Col. 1. 15.
[k] Jno. 6. 29. 1 Jno. 3. 23.
[l] ch. 20. 4. Mat. 19 28. 1 Co. 6. 3.
[m] Ps. 2. 8, 9. 49. 14. Da. 7. 22.
[n] Ho. 12. 8. 1 Co. 4. 8.
[o] 2 Pe. 1. 19.
[p] Is. 55. 1. Mat. 13. 44. 25. 9.
[q] ch. 19. 8. 2 Co. 5. 3.
[r] Job 5. 17. Pr. 3. 11, 12. He. 12. 5, 6. Ja. 1. 12.
[s] Ep. 2. 1, 5. 1 Ti. 5. 6.
[t] Ca. 5. 2.
[u] Lu. 12. 37.
[v] Jno. 14. 23.
[w] 1 Ti. 6. 20. 2 Ti. 1. 13.
[x] Mat. 19. 28. 1 Co. 6. 2. 2 Ti. 2. 12.

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as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

CHAP. IV.

AFTER this I looked, and, behold, a door *was* opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard *was* as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, [c] Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, [d] a throne was set in heaven, and *one* sat on the throne.

3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: [e] and *there was* a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

4 And [f] round about the throne *were* four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

5 And out of the throne proceeded [m] lightnings and thunderings and voices: [n] and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

6 And before the throne *there was* [o] a sea of glass like unto crystal: [p] and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, *were* four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

7 And [q] the first beast *was* like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast *was* like a flying eagle.

8 And the four beasts had each of them [r] six wings about *him*; and *they were* full of eyes within: and they [t] rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

9 And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 [u] Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: [v] for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

CHAP. V.

AND I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne [a] a book written within and on the backside, [c] sealed with seven seals.

2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

3 And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

4 And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, [e] the Lion of the tribe of Juda, [f] the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood [h] a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and

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[c] Zec. 3. 9. 4. 10. Jno. 2. 29.
[o] or, *incense*.
[b] Ps. 141. 2.
[c] ch. 11. 12.
[d] Ps. 40. 2.
[e] Is. 6. 1, &c. Ja. 17. 12. Eze. 1. 26. 10. 1. Da. 7. 9.
[f] Ac. 20. 28. Ro. 3. 24. Ep. 1. 7. He. 9. 12. 1Pe.1.18,19. 1 Jno. 1. 7.
[g] Da. 4. 1. 6. 25.
[h] Exo. 1. 28.
[i] ch. 6. Ex. 19. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 5, 9.
[k] ch. 11. 16.
[l] De. 33. 2. Ps. 68. 17. Da. 7. 10. He. 12. 22.
[m] ch. 16. 18.
[n] Ex. 37. 23. 2 Ch. 4. 20.
[o] Exo. 1. 13. Zec. 4. 2.
[p] ch. 15. 2. Ex. 38. 8.
[q] Phl. 2. 10.
[r] Eze. 1. 5.
[s] 1 Ch. 29. 11. 1 Ti. 6. 16. 1 Pe. 4. 11. 5. 11.
[t] Nu.2.2,&c. Eze. 10. 14.
[u] Is. 6. 2.
† *have no rest.*
[v] Zec. 6. 3.
[a] Ps. 45. 4, 5. LXX.
[b] Zec. 5. 11.
[c] De. 32. 4. Ps. 18. 3. 29. 1, 2. 68. 34. 96. 7, 8. Is. 1. 1. Ac. 17. 24. Ep. 3. 9. Col. 1. 16.
[b] Eze. 2. 9, 10.
[c] Is. 29. 11. Da. 12. 4.
‡ The word *chenix* signifieth a measure containing one wine quart, and the twelfth part of a quart.
[d] ch. 9. 4.
[e] Ge. 49. 9, 10. He. 7. 14.
[f] ch. 22. 16. Is. 11. 1, 10. Je. 23. 5, 6. Eze. 34. 23, 24. Ro. 15. 12.
§ or, *to him.*
[g] Eze. 14. 21.
[h] Is. 53. 7. Jno.1.29,36. 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[i] Le. 26. 22.

[a] seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

7 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.

8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of [b] odours, [b] which are the prayers of saints.

9 And [d] they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and [f] hast redeemed us to God by thy blood [g] out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

10 And [i] hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was [l] ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

12 Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

13 And [p] every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, [s] Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, *be* unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four *and* twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

CHAP. VI.

AND I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

2 And I saw, and behold [v] a white horse: [v] and he that sat on him had a bow; [y] and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.

4 And there went out another horse *that was* red: and *power* was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

5 And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, ‡ A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and [d] *see* thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.

8 And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given § unto them over the fourth part of the earth, [f] to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, [i] and with the beasts of the earth.

9 And when he had opened the fifth

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seal, I saw under the altar [a] the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for [a] the testimony which they held:

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, [d] How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, [f] that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they *were*, should be fulfilled.

12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, [g] and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and [h] the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

13 And [i] the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her [k] untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

14 And [l] the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and [m] every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, [n] hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

16 And [o] said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

17 For [p] the great day of his wrath is come; [q] and who shall be able to stand?

CHAP. VII.

AND after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, [a] holding the four winds of the earth, [r] that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

3 Saying, [s] Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have [t] sealed the servants of our God [t] in their foreheads.

4 And [h] I heard the number of them which were sealed: *and there were* sealed [i] an hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

5 Of the tribe of Juda *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad *were* sealed twelve thousand.

6 Of the tribe of Aser *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nepthalim *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses *were* sealed twelve thousand.

7 Of the tribe of Simeon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar *were* sealed twelve thousand.

8 Of the tribe of Zabulon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin *were* sealed twelve thousand.

9 After this I beheld, and, lo, [u] a great multitude, which no man could number, [u] of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, [k] clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, [x] Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, *be* unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?

14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have [k] washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall [y] dwell among them.

16 They [z] shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; [p] neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne [c] shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: [y] and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

CHAP. VIII.

AND [a] when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

2 And [c] I saw the seven angels which stood before God; [a] and to them were given seven trumpets.

3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer: and there was given unto him much incense, that he should [t] offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

4 And [d] the smoke of the incense, *which came* with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* [t] into the earth: and [t] there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, [h] and an earthquake.

6 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

7 The first angel sounded, [m] and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part [m] of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

8 And the second angel sounded, [e] and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea [p] became blood;

9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.

10 And the third angel sounded, [r] and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;

11 And [r] the name of the star is called Wormwood: [p] and the third part of the

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[a] ch. 20. 4.
[b] ch. 3. 5, 18. 4. 4.
Is. 61. 10.
[c] 2 Ti. 1. 8.
[d] Zec. 1. 12.
[e] ch. 11. 1. Ps. 3. 8. Is. 43. 11. Jo. 3. 23. Ho. 13. 4.
[f] He. 11. 40.
[g] ch. 16. 18.
[h] Joel 2. 10, 31. 3. 15. Mat. 24. 29. Ac. 2. 20.
[i] ch. 8. 10. 9. 1.
[k] or, *green figs.*
[k] ch. 1. 5. Is. 1. 18. Zec. 3. 3, 5. He. 9. 14. 1 Jno. 1. 7.
[l] Ps. 102. 26. Is. 34. 4. Ha. 1. 10, 13.
[m] ch. 16. 20. Jo. 3. 23. 4. 34.
[n] ch. 21. 3, 4. Is. 4. 5, 6.
[o] Is. 49. 10.
[p] Ps. 121. 6.
[q] Is. 2. 19.
[r] Ps. 33. 1. 36. 6. Jno. 10. 11, 14.
[s] ch. 9. 6. Ho. 10. 8. Lu. 23. 30.
[t] Is. 25. 8.
[u] Is. 13. 6, &c. Zep. 1. 14, &c.
[x] ch. 6. 4.
[y] Ps. 76. 7.
[z] Mat. 18. 10. Lu. 1. 19.
[a] 2 Ch. 29. 25. ...28.
[b] Da. 7. 2.
[c] ch. 9. 4.
[t] or, *add it to the prayers*
[d] Ps. 141. 2. Lu. 1. 10.
[e] ch. 6. 6. Ex. 12. 12, 13. Is. 26. 20. Mat. 24. 15. ...22.
[f] Eze. 9. 4.
[g] ch. 22. 4.
[h] ch. 9. 16.
[i] or, *upon.*
[i] ch. 16. 18.
[k] 2 Sa. 22. 8. 1 Ki. 19. 11. Ac. 4. 31.
[l] Ro. 9. 27.
[m] Eze. 38. 22.
[n] ch. 9. 4. Is. 2. 13.
[o] Je. 51. 25. Am 7. 4.
[p] Eze. 14. 19.
[r] Is. 14. 12.
[s] Ro. 11. 25.
[t] Ru. 1. 20.
[u] ch. 5. 9. Mat. 8. 11.
[x] Ex. 15. 23. Je. 9. 15. 23. 15.

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waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.

12 And [b] the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

13 And I beheld, [d] and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, [e] Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

CHAP. IX.

AND the fifth angel sounded, [g] and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of [h] the bottomless pit.

2 And he opened the bottomless pit; [i] and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

3 And there came out of the smoke [m] locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

4 And it was commanded them [o] that they should not hurt [r] the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not [t] the seal of God in their foreheads.

5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, [v] but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

6 And in those days [y] shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

7 And [a] the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto horses prepared unto battle, [b] and on their heads *were* as it were crowns like gold, [d] and their faces *were* as the faces of men.

8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and [f] their teeth were as *the teeth* of lions.

9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings *was* [i] as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power *was* to hurt men five months.

11 And [l] they had a king over them, *which is* the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue *is* Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name [o] Apollyon.

12 One [m] woe is past; *and*, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound [p] in the great river Euphrates.

15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared [q] for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

16 And [s] the number of the army of the horsemen *were* two hundred thousand

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[a] ch. 7. 4.
[b] Is. 13. 10. Am. 8. 9.
[c] 1 Ch. 12. 8. Is. 5. 28, 29.
[d] ch. 8. 13. 19. 17. Ps. 103. 20.
[e] ch. 9. 12. 11. 14. Ja. 5. 1.
[f] Is. 9. 15.
[g] Lu. 10. 18.
[h] De. 31. 29.
[i] Le. 17. 7. De. 32. 17. Ps. 106. 37. 115. 4. 135. 15. Da. 5. 23.
[k] 1 Co. 10. 20.
[l] ch. 17. 8. 20. 1. Lu. 8. 31.
[m] Joel 2. 2, 10.
[n] ch. 22. 15.
[o] Ex. 10. 4. Ju. 7. 12.
[p] ch. 6. 6. 7. 3.
[q] Ezr. 1. 28.
[r] ch. 8. 7.
[s] ch. 1. 16. Mat. 17. 2.
[t] Ex. 12. 23. Eze. 9. 4.
[u] Mat. 28. 18.
[v] ch. 11. 7.
[w] ch. 8. 3. Ps. 29. 2.
[y] ch. 6. 16. Job 3. 21. Is. 2. 19. Je. 8. 3.
[z] Da. 8. 26. 12. 4, 9.
[a] Joel 2. 4.
[b] Na. 3. 17.
[c] Ex. 6. 8. De. 32. 40.
[d] Da. 7. 8.
[e] Ne. 9. 6. Ps. 95. 3..6. 146. 6. Ro. 1. 20.
[f] Joel 1. 6.
[g] ch. 16. 17. Da. 12. 7.
[h] ch. 11. 15.
[i] Joel 2. 5..7.
[k] Ro. 16. 25. Col. 1. 26, 27.
[l] Jno. 12. 31. 2 Co. 4. 4. Ep. 2. 2. 1 Jno 5. 19.
[o] That is to say, *a destroyer*.
[m] Jno. 8. 44. 1 Pe. 5. 8.
[n] ch. 8. 13.
[o] Je. 15. 16. Eze. 2. 8. 3. 1..3.
[p] Ps. 19. 9, 10. 119. 103.
[q] Eze. 2. 10.
[r] ch. 16. 12. Ge. 2. 14.
[s] Je. 25. 15..17
[t] or, *at*.
[f] Ps. 68. 17. Eze. 38. 4. Da. 7. 10.
[u] ch. 21. 15. Eze. 40. 3, &c Zec. 2. 1.

thousand: [u] and I heard the number of them.

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: [x] and the heads of the horses *were* as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: [f] for their tails *were* like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues [t] yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship [i] devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

21 Neither repented they of their murders, [m] nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

CHAP. X.

AND I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: [p] and a rainbow *was* upon his head, and [r] his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

2 And he had in his hand a little book open: [s] and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his* left *foot* on the earth,

3 And cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roareth: and when he had cried, [v] seven thunders uttered their voices.

4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, [x] Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.

5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth [z] lifted up his hand to heaven,

6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, [a] who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, [b] that there should be time no longer:

7 But [c] in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, [d] the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

8 And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go *and* take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.

9 And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, [e] Take *it*, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.

10 And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth [f] sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, [g] my belly was bitter.

11 And he said unto me, [i] Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

CHAP. XI.

AND there was given me [k] a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying,

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[a] Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

2 But [b] the court which is without the temple [c] leave out, and measure it not; [d] for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they [e] tread under foot forty *and* two months.

3 And I will give † *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

4 These are the [f] two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

5 And if any man will hurt them, [g] fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: [h] and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

6 These [i] have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and [k] have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

7 And when they [l] shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit [m] shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

8 And their dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, [n] where also our Lord was crucified.

9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, [o] and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, [p] and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.

11 And after three days and an half [q] the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; [r] and great fear fell upon them which saw them.

12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven [s] in a cloud; [t] and their enemies beheld them.

13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain [u] of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, [v] and gave glory to the God of heaven.

14 The second woe is past; *and*, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; [w] and he shall reign for ever and ever.

16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

17 Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, [x] and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which [y] destroy the earth.

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[a] Nu. 23. 18.
[b] Eze. 40. 17, 20.
[c] Ex. 19. 16. He. 12. 18.
[c] *cast out.*
[d] Ps. 79. 1. Lu. 21. 24.
[e] Da. 8. 10.
† or, *unto my two witnesses that they may prophesy.*
‡ or, *sign.*
[f] Ps. 52. 8. Je. 11. 16. Zec. 4. 3, 11, 14.
[g] Is. 66. 7. Ga. 4. 19.
§ or, *sign.*
[h] ch. 17. 3.
[i] 1Ki. 1. 10, 12. Je. 5. 14. Eze. 43. 3. Ho. 6. 5.
[k] Nu. 16. 29.
[l] ch. 9. 10, 19. 17. 18.
[m] Da. 8. 10
[n] 1 Ki. 17. 1. Ja. 5. 16, 17.
[o] Ex. 7. 19.
[p] Ex. 1. 16.
[r] Lu. 13. 32.
[s] ch. 2. 27. 19. 15. Ps. 2. 9.
[t] Da. 7. 21. Zec. 14. 2.
[u] ch. 11. 3.
[v] He. 13. 12.
[x] Da. 10. 13, 21. 12. 1.
[y] ch. 20. 9.
[z] Ps. 79. 2, 3.
[a] Lu. 10. 18. Joh. 12. 31.
[b] Ge. 3. 1, 4.
[c] Ex. 9. 19, 22.
[d] ch. 9. 1.
[e] Exo. 37. 5, &c.
[f] ch. 11. 15. 19. 1.
[g] Ho. 3. 5.
[h] Job 1. 9. 2. 5. Zec. 3. 1.
[i] Is. 60. 8.
[k] Ac. 1. 9.
[l] 2Ki. 2. 1, 5, 7.
[m] Lu. 22. 31, 32. Ro. 8. 33, 34, 37.
16. 20.
[n] Lu. 14. 26.
‖ *names of men.* ch. 3. 4.
[o] ch. 18. 20. Ps. 96. 11. Is. 49. 13.
[p] Jos. 7. 19.
[q] ch. 8. 13. 11. 10.
[r] ch. 10. 6.
[s] Da. 2. 44. 7. 14, 18, 27.
[t] Ex. 19. 6.
[u] Da. 7. 25. 12. 7.
[x] Is. 59. 19.
[y] Da. 7. 9, 10.
[z] or, *corrupt.*
[a] Ge. 3. 15.

19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and [o] there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

CHAP. XII.

AND there appeared a great ‡ wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

2 And she being with child cried, [p] travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

3 And there appeared another § wonder in heaven; and behold [a] a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

4 And [b] his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, [m] and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, [r] for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

5 And she brought forth a man child, [s] who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne.

6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there [u] a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.

7 And there was war in heaven: [x] Michael and his angels fought [y] against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And [c] the great dragon was cast out, [a] that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: [d] he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, / Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, [h] which accused them before our God day and night.

11 And / they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; [m] and they loved not their lives unto the death.

12 Therefore [n] rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. [p] Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, [r] because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man *child.*

14 And [s] to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished [u] for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

15 And the serpent [x] cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, [y] and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the

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commandments of God, and have [a] the testimony of Jesus Christ.

CHAP. XIII.

AND I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw [a] a beast rise up out of the sea, [f] having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the [g] name of blasphemy.

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet of* a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and [i] the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

3 And I saw one of his heads as it were [†]wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and [k] all the world wondered after the beast.

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, [m] Who *is* like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

5 And there was given unto him [n] a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to [§]continue forty *and* two months.

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, [o] and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

7 And it was given unto him [p] to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, [q] whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain [b] from the foundation of the world.

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

10 He [r] that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: [s] he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. [t] Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

11 And I beheld another beast [u] coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

13 And [k] he doeth great wonders, [l] so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth [m] by *the means of* those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, [n] and did live.

15 And he had power to give [o] life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

16 And he caused all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to [†]receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or [n] the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number *is* Six hundred threescore *and* six.

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[a] 1 Co. 2. 1. 1 Jno. 5. 10
[b] Is. 53. 7. 1 Pe. 1. 19. Jno. 1. 29, 36. 1 Pe. 1. 19.
[c] ch. 7. 4.
[d] Lu. 12. 8. Jude 24.
[e] Da. 7. 2, 7.
[f] ch. 17. 3, 9, 12
[g] ch. 1. 15.
[h] or, *names.*
[i] ch. 5. 9. 15. 3.
[k] ch. 12. 9.
[†] *slain.*
[k] 1 Jno. 5. 19.
[l] 2 Co. 11. 2.
[§] *were bought.*
[m] ch. 18. 18.
[n] Ja. 1. 18.
[o] Ps. 32. 2. Zep. 3. 13. Jno. 1. 47.
[p] Da. 7. 8, 11, 25 11. 36.
[q] Ep. 5. 27. Jude 24.
[§] or, *make war.*
[r] Ep. 2. 9..11. Tit. 1. 2.
[s] Jno. 1. 14. Col. 2. 9.
[t] Da. 7. 21.
[u] Ne. 9. 6. Ps. 33. 6. 124. 8. 146. 5, 6. Ac. 14. 15. 17. 24.
[v] ch. 20. 12, 15. 21. 27. Ex. 32. 33. Da. 12. 1. Phl. 4. 3.
[a] Is. 21. 9. Je. 51. 8.
[a] Je. 51. 7.
[b] ch. 17. 8.
[c] Is. 33. 1.
[d] Ge. 9. 6. Mat. 26. 52.
[e] ch. 14. 12.
[f] Ps. 75. 8. Is. 51. 17. Je. 25. 15.
[g] ch. 11. 7.
[h] ch. 20. 10.
[i] Is. 34. 10.
[k] De. 13. 1..3. Mat. 24. 24. 2 Th. 2. 9.
[l] 2 Ki. 1. 10, 12.
[m] 2 Th. 2. 9, 10.
[n] ch. 20. 6.
[o] 1 Co. 15. 18. 1 Th. 4. 16.
[‖] or, *from henceforth saith the Spirit, Yea.*
[p] 2 Ki. 20. 7.
[r] 2 Th. 1. 7. He. 4. 9, 10.
[s] *breath.*
[t] ch. 1. 13. Eze. 1. 26. Da. 7. 13.
[†] *give them.*
[t] Mat. 13. 39.
[u] ch. 14. 11.
[v] Je. 51. 33.
[‡] or, *dried.*

CHAP. XIV.

AND I looked, and, lo, [h] a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him [c] an hundred forty *and* four thousand, [d] having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

2 And I heard a voice from heaven, [f] as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

3 And [h] they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

4 These are they which were not defiled with women; [i] for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These [l] were redeemed from among men, [m] *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

5 And [o] in their mouth was found no guile: [r] for they are without fault before the throne of God.

6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, [t] having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: [v] and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

8 And there followed another angel, saying, [a] Babylon is fallen, is fallen, [a] that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

10 The same [f] shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and [k] he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

11 And [i] the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, [n] Blessed *are* the dead [o] which die in the Lord [‖]from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, [r] that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat [t] like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, [t] Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest [v]of the earth is [‡]ripe.

16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

17 And another angel came out of the

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temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, [h] which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, [i] Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

20 And [j] the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs.

CHAP. XV.

AND I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, [k] seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

2 And I saw as it were [l] a sea of glass [m] mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, *and* over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, [n] having the harps of God.

3 And they sing [o] the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, [p] Great and marvellous *are* thy works, Lord God Almighty; [q] just and true *are* thy ways, thou King of [r] saints.

4 Who [s] shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for *thou* only *art* holy: for [t] all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

5 And after that I looked, and, behold, [u] the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:

6 And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, [v] clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

7 And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, [w] who liveth for ever and ever.

8 And [x] the temple was filled with smoke [y] from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

CHAP. XVI.

AND I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of [z] the wrath of God upon the earth.

2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and [a] there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and *upon* them which worshipped his image.

3 And the second angel poured out his vial [b] upon the sea; and [c] it became as the blood of a dead *man*: and every living soul died in the sea.

4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, [d] Thou art righteous, O Lord, [e] which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

6 For [f] they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, [g] and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

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[a] Ps. 19. 9. 86.10,11. Is. 25. 1.
[b] ch. 16. 8.
[c] Joel 3. 13.
[d] or, *burned*.
[e] 2 Ch. 28. 22. Je. 5. 3.
[f] ch. 9. 20. Da. 5. 22,23. La. 13. 3. 2 Co. 12. 21.
[g] Is. 63. 3. La. 1. 15.
[h] Mat. 24. 24. Je. 50. 32. 51. 36.
[i] Is. 41 2, 25.
[k] ch. 21. 9.
[l] 1 Joe. 4. 1...3.
[m] ch. 4. 6. 21. 18.
[n] Mat. 3 11.
[o] 1 Th. 4. 1.
Ja. 3 15.
[p] Ex. 7. 22. 2 Th. 2. 9.
[q] ch. 5. 8. Ps 33 1...3. 150. 1...3.
[r] Lu. 2. 1.
[s] Ex. 15. 1.
[t] De. 31. 30.
[u] De. 32. 4. Ps. 111. 2. 139. 14.
[v] ch. 3. 2. Mat. 24. 43. 1 Th. 5. 2. 2 Pe. 3. 10.
[w] Ps. 145. 17. Ho. 14. 9.
[x] or, *nations*, or, *ages*.
[y] 2 Co. 5. 3.
[z] Ex. 15. 14.. 16 Je. 10. 7.
[a] Is. 66. 22. Ho. 8. 11.
[b] ch. 11. 19. Nu. 1. 50.
[c] ch. 1. 13. Ex. 28 3, 8. Eze. 44. 17. 18.
[d] Da. 12. 1. Mar. 13. 19.
[e] ch. 17. 18.
[f] Ps. 90. 2. 1 Th. 1. 9.
[g] Is. 51. 17,22. Je.25. 15,16.
[h] Ex. 40. 34. 1 Ki. 8. 10. Is. 6. 4.
[i] 2 Th. 1. 9.
[k] Ex. 9. 23...25.
[l] Eze. 9. 5...8. Mat. 13. 41. 42.
[m] Ex. 9. 9...11.
[n] ch. 19. 2. Je. 51. 13. Na. 3. 4.
[o] ch. 8. 8.
[p] Ex. 7. 17,20.
[q] ch. 18. 3. Je. 51. 7.
[r] ch. 12. 6,14.
[s] Ro. 2. 5. 5. 5, 6.
[t] ch. 1. 4, 8.
[u] Mat. 23. 34. 35.
[v] Da. 11. 38.
[x] *gilded*.
[y] Is. 49. 26.

7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, [z] true and righteous *are* thy judgments.

8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

9 And men were [a] scorched with great heat, and [b] blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: [c] and they repented not to give him glory.

10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the [d] seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; [e] and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; [f] and the water thereof was dried up, [g] that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13 And I saw three unclean [h] spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14 For [i] they are the spirits of devils, [k] working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the earth [l] and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15 Behold, [m] I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, [n] lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, [o] such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, *and* so great.

19 And [p] the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon [q] came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of [r] the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

CHAP. XVII.

AND there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of [s] the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

2 With [t] whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

3 So he carried me away in the spirit [u] into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, [v] and [x] decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abomi-

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nations and filthiness of her fornication:
5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, [a] MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, [b] THE MOTHER OF [c] HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.
6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, [f] I wondered with great admiration.
7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.
8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in [l] the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.
9 And [m] here *is* the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.
10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, *and* the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.
11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.
12 And [r] the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.
13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.
14 These [s] shall make war with the Lamb, and [t] the Lamb shall overcome them: [u] for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: [v] and they that are with him *are* called, and chosen, and faithful.
15 And he saith unto me, [y] The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.
16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, [z] these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate [a] and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.
17 For [b] God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, [c] until the words of God shall be fulfilled.
18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

CHAP. XVIII.

AND after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; [f] and the earth was lightened with his glory.
2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, [g] Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and [h] is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and [i] a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.
3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, [k] and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the [l] abundance of her delicacies.
4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, [m] Come out of her, my people,

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[a] 2 Th. 2. 7.
[b] Ge. 18. 20, 21. Jon. 1. 2. Lu. 19. 41.. 44.
[c] ch. 18. 9.
[e] or, *fornications.*
[d] Ps. 137. 8. 2 Ti. 4. 14.
[e] ch. 14. 10.
[f] Ps. 73. 2, &c. Hab. 1. 13.
[g] Eze. 26. 2, &c.
[h] Is. 47. 7..9. Zep. 2. 15.
[i] ch. 17. 16.
[k] Je. 50. 34. 1 Co. 10. 22.
[l] Mat. 25. 34. Ep. 1. 4. Tit. 1. 2.
[m] Eze. 26. 16. 17.
[n] Ho. 14. 9. Mat. 13. 11. Mar. 13. 14.
[o] Is. 21. 9.
[p] Eze. 27. 27.. 36.
[r] ch. 13. 1. Da. 7. 20. Zec. 1. 18, 19, 21.
[t] or, *sweet.*
[s] ch. 16. 14. 19. 19.
[t] Ps. 2. 7..12. 110. 5. 1 Co. 15. 24, 25.
[u] ch. 19. 16. De. 10. 17. 1 Ti. 6. 15.
[v] ch. 4. 4. Je. 50. 44, 45.
[z] or, *bodies.*
[a] Eze. 27. 13.
[y] Is. 8. 7.
[z] Je. 50. 41, 42.
[a] ch. 18. 16. Eze. 16. 37.. 44.
[b] 2 Th. 2. 11.
[c] ch. 10. 7.
[d] Is. 23 14.
[e] Jos. 7. 6. 1 Sa. 4. 12. Job 2. 12. Eze. 27. 30.
[f] Eze. 43. 2. Mat. 24. 27.
[g] Is. 13. 19. 21. 9. Je. 51. 8.
[h] Is. 34. 14. Je. 50. 39.
[i] Is. 44. 23. 49. 13.
[k] Is. 14. 22. Mar. 5. 2, 3.
[l] ch. 19. 2. Lu. 11. 49. 50.
[m] Je. 51. 64.
[n] Is. 47. 15
[s] or, *power.*
[o] Is. 24. 8. Je. 7. 34. 16. 9.
[p] Is. 48. 20. 52. 11. Mt. 2. 10. 2 Co. 6. 17

that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.
5 For [b] her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.
6 Reward [d] her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: [e] in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.
7 How [f] much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a [d] queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.
8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and [f] she shall be utterly burned with fire: [k] for strong *is* the Lord God who judgeth her.
9 And [m] the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,
10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, [o] Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.
11 And [p] the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:
12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all [t] thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,
13 And cinnamon and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and [z] slaves, and [a] souls of men.
14 And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.
15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,
16 And saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!
17 For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And [d] every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,
18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What *city is* like unto this great city!
19 And [e] they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.
20 Rejoice [f] over her, *thou* heaven, and *ye* holy apostles and prophets; for [f] God hath avenged you on her.
21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying, [m] Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.
22 And [s] the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and

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no craftsman, of whatsoever craft *he be*, shall be found any more in thee, and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

23 And [b] the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; [c] and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for [d] thy merchants were the great men of the earth; [f] for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

CHAP. XIX.

AND after these things [g] I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

2 For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and [i] hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

3 And again they said, Alleluia. And [m] her smoke rose up for ever and ever.

4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, [n] Amen; Alleluia.

5 And a voice came out of the throne, saying, [o] Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.

6 And [p] I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for [r] the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

8 And [s] to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and [o] white: [b] for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

9 And he saith unto me, Write, [o] Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

10 And [e] I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, *f* See *thou do it* not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren [f] that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

11 And [i] I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and [l] in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

12 His [m] eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

13 And [o] he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called [r] The Word of God.

14 And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, [s] clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

15 And [t] out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and [u] he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and [v] he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

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16 And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, [w] KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, [d] Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men*, *both* free and bond, both small and great.

19 And [g] I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. [h] These both were cast alive into a lake of fire [l] burning with brimstone.

21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

CHAP. XX.

AND I saw an angel come down from heaven, [p] having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

2 And he laid hold on [r] the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and [s] set a seal upon him, [t] that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

4 And I saw [u] thrones, and they sat upon them, and [v] judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* [w] the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and [d] reigned with Christ a thousand years.

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such [h] the second death hath no power, but they shall be [k] priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, [x] Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

9 And [p] they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

11 And [r] I saw a great white throne, and

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[a] ch. 17. 14. Da. 2. 47. 1 Ti. 6. 15.
[b] Je. 25. 10.
[c] Je. 16. 9. 33. 11.
[d] Eze. 39. 17.. 20.
[e] Is. 23. 8.
[f] 2 Ki. 9. 22. Na. 3. 4.
[g] ch. 16. 16.
[h] ch. 11. 15. Ha. 12. 22. 23
[i] De. 32. 43. Ob. 15. Hab. 3. 13. Ro. 12. 19.
[k] ch. 20. 10.
[l] ch. 14. 10. 21. 8.
[m] Is. 34. 10.
[n] 1 Ch. 16. 36. Ne. 5. 13. 6.
[o] Ex. 15. 2. Ps. 134. 1. 135. 1. Phi. 4. 4.
[p] ch. 1. 18. 9. 1.
[r] ch. 12. 9. 2 Pe. 2. 4. Jude 6.
[s] Eze. 1. 24. 43. 2.
[t] Da. 6. 17.
[u] Jno. 5. 11.
[v] ch. 21. 2, 9. Mat. 22. 2. 25. 10. 2 Co. 11. 2. Ep. 5. 32.
[x] Da. 7. 9, 22. 27. Mat. 19. 28. Lu. 22. 30.
[y] ch. 3. 18. Ps. 45. 13, 14. Eze. 16. 10.
[z] 1 Co. 6. 2, 3.
[a] ch. 6. 9.
[o] or, *bright*.
[b] Ps. 132. 9.
[c] Lu. 14. 15, 16. 22. 30.
[d] Ro. 8. 17. 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[e] ch. 22. 8, 9.
[f] Ac. 10. 26. 14. 14, 15.
[g] Ps. 119. 34. 1 Jno. 5. 10.
[h] ch. 2. 11.
[i] ch. 15. 5. Ge. 28. 12. Ac. 7. 56. 10. 11.
[k] ch. 1. 6. Is. 61. 6. 1 Pe. 2. 9.
[l] Ps. 45. 3, 5. Is. 11. 4.
[m] ch. 1. 14.
[n] Eze. 38. 2. 39. 1.
[o] Is. 63. 2, 3.
[p] Is. 8. 8. Eze. 38. 9, 16
[r] Jno. 1. 1. 1 Jno. 5. 7.
[s] Mat. 28. 3.
[t] 2 Th. 2. 8.
[u] ch. 2. 27. Ps. 2. 9.
[v] ch. 14. 19, 20.
[w] Da. 7. 9.

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him that sat on it, from whose face [a] the earth and the heaven fled away; [a] and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; [c] and the books were opened: and another [d] book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, [e] according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and [o] hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And [h] death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

CHAP. XXI.

AND [i] I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw [l] the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared [m] as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, [n] the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

4 And [p] God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, [r] neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, [t] Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

6 And he said unto me, It is done. [u] I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. [x] I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

7 He that overcometh shall inherit [†] all things; and [z] I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

8 But [a] the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me [*] that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

11 Having the glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

12 And had a wall great and high, *and* had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

13 On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.

14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and [b] in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

15 And he that talked with me [d] had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.

16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

17 And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred *and* forty *and* four cubits, *according to* the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

18 And the building of the wall of it was *of* jasper: and the city *was* pure gold, like unto clear glass.

19 And [f] the foundations of the wall of the city *were* garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation *was* jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;

20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolyte; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

21 And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city *was* pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

22 And [*] I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

23 And [q] the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb *is* the light thereof.

24 And [s] the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for [p] there shall be no night there.

26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

27 And [y] there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither *whatsoever* worketh abomination, or *maketh* a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's [k] book of life.

CHAP. XXII.

AND he shewed me [c] a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, *was there* [d] the tree of life, which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations.

3 And [e] there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

4 And [f] they shall see his face; and his name *shall be* in their foreheads.

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for [g] the Lord God giveth them light: [i] and they shall reign for ever and ever.

6 And he said unto me, These sayings *are* faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 Behold, I come quickly: [k] blessed *is*

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[a] 2 Pe. 3. 7, 10, 11.
[b] Mat. 16. 18. Ga. 2. 9. Ep. 2. 20.
[c] Da. 7. 9, 10.
[d] Eze. 40. 3. Zec. 2. 1.
[e] Da. 7. 10. Re. 20. 12.
[f] Ps. 69. 28. Da. 12. 1. Phi. 4. 3.
[g] ch. 22. 12. Je. 17. 10. 32. 19. Mat. 16. 27. Ro. 2. 6.
[h] or, *the grave.*
[i] 1 Co. 15. 26, 54, 55.
[l] Is. 54. 11.
[k] Is. 65. 17. 66. 22. 2 Pe. 3. 13.
[l] Is. 52. 1. Ga. 4. 26. He. 11. 10. 12. 22. 13. 14.
[m] Is. 54. 5. 61. 10. 2 Co. 11. 2
[n] Le. 26. 11, 12. Eze. 43. 7. 2 Co. 6. 16.
[o] Jno. 4. 23.
[p] ch. 7. 17. Is. 25. 8. 2 Co. 4. 17.
[q] Is. 24. 23.
[r] Is. 35. 10. 61. 3. 65. 19.
[s] Is. 60. 3, 5, 11. 66. 12.
[t] Is. 43. 19. 2 Co. 5. 17.
[u] ch. 1. 8. 22. 13.
[x] Pr. 4. 18. Is. 60. 20. 64. 4. Zec. 14. 7.
[z] Is. 12. 3. 55. 1. Jno. 4. 10, 14 7. 37.
[y] Is. 35. 8. 52. 1. Joel 3. 17.
[†] or, *these.*
[z] Zec. 8. 8. He. 8. 10.
[a] 1 Co. 6. 9, 10. Ga. 5. 19 .21 Ep. 5. 5. 1 Ti. 1. 9. Re. 12. 14.
[b] ch. 3. 12. 20. 12. Phi. 4. 3.
[c] Eze. 47. 1. Zec. 14. 8.
[d] ch. 2. 7. Ge. 2. 9.
[e] Zec. 14. 11.
[f] Eze. xlviii.
[g] Mat. 5. 8. 1 Co. 13. 12. 1 Jno. 3. 2.
[h] Ps. 36. 9. 84. 11.
[i] ch. 3. 21. Da. 7. 27. Ro. 5. 17. 2 Ti. 2. 12.
[k] ch. 1. 3.

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he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

8 And I John saw these things, and heard *them*. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

9 Then saith he unto me, See *thou do it* not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.

10 And [e] he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

11 He *f* that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

12 And, behold, I come quickly; [h] and my reward *is* with me, [i] to give every man according as his work shall be.

13 I [k] am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14 Blessed [m] *are* they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

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[a] Ge. 3. 19. 21. Col. 3. 6.
[b] Phi. 3. 2.
[c] Nu. 24. 17. Zec. 6. 12. 2 Pe. 1. 19.
[d] Is. 55. 7. Joe. 2. 27.
[e] ch. 10. 4. Da. 8. 26.
[f] Eze. 3. 27. Da. 12. 10. 2 Ti. 3. 13.
[g] De. 4. 2. Pr. 30. 6.
[h] Is. 40. 10. 62. 11.
[i] Ex. 32. 33. Ps. 69. 28.
[k] Ro. 2. 6. 14. 12.
[l] *or, from the tree of life.*
[m] ch. 1. 8. 11. Is. 41. 4. 44. 6.
[n] Da. 12. 12. 1 Joh. 3. 24.
[o] Jno. 21. 25.
[p] 2 Ti. 4. 8.

15 For [n] without *are* [o] dogs, and sorcerers and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, *and* [p] the bright and morning star.

17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. *d* And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, [e] If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, [f] God shall take away his part [g] out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.

20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly: [h] Amen. [i] Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

CH. II. 8.—SMYRNA, situated at the extremity of a beautiful bay on the coast of Asia Minor, was one of the principal cities of Ionia. Many cities have claimed the honour of having given birth to Homer, but it is believed that the real claimant is Smyrna. This city, after 400 years of decay, was rebuilt by Antigonus and Lysimachus. The streets are said to have been remarkably handsome, well paved, and drawn at right angles. Numerous fine porticos, temples, theatres, and a public library, with the splendid and lofty acropolis, rendered it one of the most beautiful cities of Ionia. Under the Roman emperors Smyrna flourished greatly; and its schools of eloquence and philosophy were held in considerable repute. It has suffered from various sieges and earthquakes. Modern Smyrna is beautifully situated at the foot of a lofty mountain, that stretches along the shore to a great extent, and has upon its summit the castellated building seen in our view. This is perhaps the finest port in Asia, capable of containing a large fleet. It was upon this mountain that the church was founded referred to by the apostle John. Polycarp, the first bishop of Smyrna, suffered martyrdom here in the flames, A.D. 166. The modern streets are narrow, and many houses are built with clay, low and flat-roofed. The population fluctuates. In 1814, 40,000 persons were cut off by the plague. Hartley reckons the population at 75,000. Smyrna had no judgment denounced against it, and still remains a large and busy city.

CH. II. 12.—PERGAMOS. This was the ancient metropolis of Mysia. It had a library of 200,000 volumes, which Antony and Cleopatra caused to be transported to Egypt. Here Galen the physician was born. Here parchment, originally called *pergamena*, was invented. Its population is now about 15,000, chiefly Turks. Numerous ancient ruins of a fortress, a theatre, and a naumachia, attest the magnificence of this once royal city. The church of Pergamos was reproved for the doctrines and deeds of some of its members, but commended for holding fast the name of the Lord, and not denying his faith in a time of persecution.

CH. II. 18.—THYATIRA. This was a city of Lydia. During the wars of the Greek kings of Syria, it underwent various changes, and finally surrendered to the Romans under Scipio. It was celebrated for dyeing purple, and is so at the present time for dyeing, and its scarlet cloths are deemed superior to any other in Asia Minor. Modern Thyatira is called by the Turks Ak-hissar, or the White Castle, and is situated on a plain about twenty-seven miles from Sardis. Its streets are narrow, its houses low, and mostly of mud. In 1820 the town contained about 1500 habitations, houses, and huts. It has many shops, and a considerable trade is carried on with Smyrna in cotton wool. Thyatira had soon tares mingled with its wheat; but there were those among the people that could save a city. It still exists, while greater cities have fallen.

CH. III. 4.—SARDIS. This city was situated on the river Pactolus, which is now an insignificant brook in the scene. It also stood at the foot of mount Tmolus, which rises majestically in the background. Sardis was formerly the capital of the country of Lydia in Asia, and the residence of the Lydian kings. It was exceedingly rich and glorious. It was taken and plundered by Cyrus; but it continued a place of very considerable importance in connexion with the Persian empire. After suffering many disasters in war, it was entirely ruined by an earthquake in the time of our Lord. It was rebuilt by Tiberius, the Roman emperor, but it never recovered its former splendour. The most remarkable of its ruins are two noble columns, which are prominently distinguished in our view. They belonged to the temple of Cybele, a magnificent edifice constructed of white marble. These, with a few mutilated fragments of other columns scattered on the sward, or sunk in it, are all that now remain, and these are buried to nearly half their height in the soil. Other columns have been blown up by gunpowder for the use of masons and stonecutters, and it is apprehended that such will ultimately be the fate of the few that remain. Sardis is now a miserable village called Sart. Its inhabitants are all Turkish herdsmen, living in low huts of clay. No one bearing the name of Christian now lives in Sardis.

CH. III. 7.—PHILADELPHIA. Philadelphia stands on a rising ground beneath the snowy mount Tmolus. The houses are embosomed in trees, which gives a pleasing effect to the scene. Not long before the writing of the apocalypse, this city suffered much from earthquakes, so that it became almost deserted, which may account for the poverty of the church there. Philadelphia was once a very considerable city in Asia Minor. It defended itself against its powerful foes better than others, and even made a capitulation with Bajazet, in 1390. Gibbon says, 'Philadelphia alone has been saved by prophecy or courage. At a distance from the sea, forgotten by the emperors, encompassed on all sides by the Turks, her valiant citizens defended her religion and freedom above fourscore years, and at length capitulated with the proudest of the Ottomans. Among the Greek colonies and churches of Asia, Philadelphia is still erect—a column in a scene of ruins.' Philadelphia is now a considerable town. There has been a succession of Christians there in every generation, and though little pure religion now prevails, yet it has been kept amidst great trials; and it is hoped that Christ has had disciples there in every age, and has some even now.

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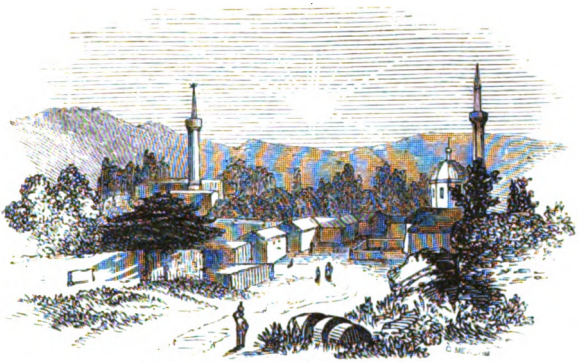


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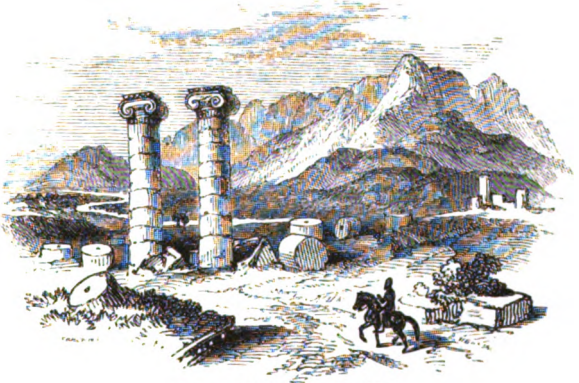


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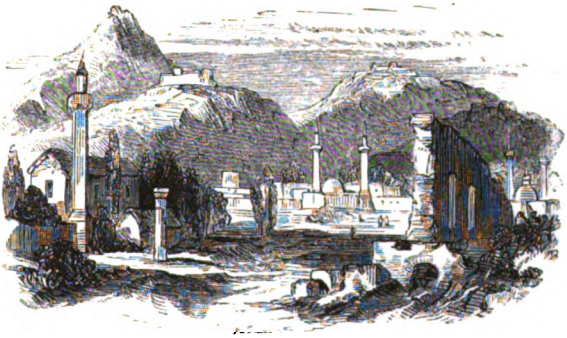
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PHILADELPHIA.—*Macfarlane.*—Rev. iii. 7.

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ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO THE EPISTLES.

ROMANS.

Ch. I.—7. *Rome.* One of the most celebrated cities of the world, renowned for its antiquity, grandeur, and power. It was founded by Romulus 752 or 753 years before Christ. For a time it was governed by kings, and then by two consuls annually elected. The latter mode of government lasted for many centuries. Julius Cæsar first acquired the supreme power, but refused the name of emperor, which his successor and nephew Augustus assumed. The succeeding Roman emperors were distinguished by their crimes and licentiousness. At length Constantine embraced Christianity, and Pagan Rome lost its power, and he made Constantinople the seat of government. Rome, however, eventually became powerful by superstition and influence as the head of the Latin church. That power is now greatly weakened, but the Pope yet continues sovereign, reigning amidst a people wearied with his oppressions. Twenty years ago Rome contained 120,000 persons, among whom, from 15,000 to 30,000 were paupers. Recent revolutions have much changed its condition. The Pope is only propped up on his throne by foreign arms. 16. *Also to the Greek.* After Alexander's generals had established their respective empires in Egypt and Asia, the inhabitants of those countries were considered as Greeks, because they usually spoke the Greek language; and as the Jews were little acquainted with other idolatrous nations, they naturally called all the heathens 'Greeks.' Hence, in their nomenclature, Jews and Greeks comprehended all mankind. 31. *Without natural affection.* The practice of exposing infants to perish is here most likely referred to; it prevailed during many ages at Rome, and also in Greece and other heathen countries, and is still practised among many of the latter. Until the father, or, in his absence, a friend for him, lifted the new-born infant from the ground and placed it in his bosom, it remained undecided whether it was to be exposed or preserved.

Ch. VII.—24. *Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?* Though some dry critics dispute the propriety of Doddrige's opinion, that here is an allusion to the ancient punishment of fastening a living body to a dead one, it is a very natural illustration and most likely correct. (See note and cut end of Rom.)

Ch VIII.—15. *Whereby we cry, Abba, Father.* St. Paul alludes to a law among the Jews, which forbade slaves to call a freeman Abba.—Claude. 23. *The adoption.* The Romans had a twofold form of adoption; the first was a private transaction between the parties, receiving the person adopted into the family; the second was a public recognition in the forum. The latter is thought to be here alluded to.

Ch. XI.—4. *Baal.* The idol of the Phœnicians and the Canaanites. They worshipped this god under the image of a bull, a calf, or a heifer, the first denoting the sun, the second the moon; the former was Moloch, king of heaven, the latter Melechet, queen of heaven. (See note and cut Judg. ii. 11.)

Ch. XIII.—4. *Beareth not the sword in vain.* Bearing the sword appears to denote the power of life and death, which was, with the Roman magistrates, denoted by their being girded with a sword, or by its being borne before them—a custom still in some degree retained in Europe as well as in the East. The sword probably became this symbol, because decapitation was the primary capital punishment, and that was usually inflicted with the sword in ancient times, as it still is in the East.—Pictorial Bible. 14. *Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ.* This metaphor is probably taken from the theatre, where the actors assume the name and attire of the person they represent. Plutarch says, 'that the kings of Persia on the day of their coronation, put on a robe which the first Cyrus had worn before he was king, to remind them of imitating his exemplary temper and conduct.'—Ibid.

Ch. XIV.—2. *Another, who is weak, eateth herbs.* The Jewish sect of the Essenes did so from religious scruples, and the Romans and the Greeks from philosophical dogmas.—Bloomfield.

Ch. XVI.—16 *Salute one another with an holy kiss.* Learned writers trace this custom to an ancient Oriental one borrowed from the synagogues. In the Apostolic age, the kiss was given before taking the Lord's supper. It was understood to express mutual love and, in things spiritual, equality. The custom continued during a great part of the first century, but there is reason to think that it became so liable to abuse and misrepresentations in the scandalous tales of the heathens, who inferred from it promiscuous intercourse, that it seems to have been laid aside at a very early period of the Christian Church.

I. CORINTHIANS.

Ch. IV.—13. *Filth of the world.* The expression was applied to those poor wretches, who, being the very dregs of the people, were offered up as expiatory sacrifices, in times of any plague, or public calamity, to the infernal deities. They were brought to the place of execution with cheese, dried figs, and a cake in their hands: and, after they were beaten with rods, they were burnt, and their ashes cast into the sea with the following sentence, 'Be thou an expiation, be thou a refuse, or an offscouring.'

Ch. IX.—24. *They which run.*—25. *Every man that striveth.* The games to which the Apostle alludes were celebrated with extraordinary pomp and splendour every fourth year, on the Isthmus which joins the Peloponnesus to the main land, and on a part of which the city of Corinth stood. There were in Greece four species of games—the Pythian, or Delphic; the Isthmian, or Corinthian; the Nemean, and the Olympic. On these occasions persons were assembled from all parts of Greece, and the time during which they continued was devoted to extraordinary festivity and amusement. The Isthmian or Corinthian games were celebrated in the narrow part of the Isthmus of Corinth, to the north of the city, and were, doubtless, the games to which the Apostle more particularly alluded, though the games in each of the places were substantially of the same nature, and the same illustration would, in the main, apply to all. *Striveth for the mastery.* Signifies every one that agonizes in wrestling, boxing, or pitching bar or quoit. 25. *Is temperate in all things.* Those who intended to compete for the prize at the Isthmian games, underwent a severe previous training. This training lasted twelve months, during which, under an experienced teacher of the gymnastic arts, all the wants of nature, and all sensual indulgence, was under the most strict regulation. Their eating, drinking, walking, and sleeping, were determined as to time and quantity by rule; and they were constantly exercised in those arts, the prizes for which they intended to contest. *A corruptible crown.* The crown in the olympic games, sacred to Jupiter, was of wild olive; in the Pythian, sacred to Apollo, of laurel; in the Isthmian, or Corinthian, of the pine, &c. Most of these were evergreens but they would soon dry or break to pieces.



26. *Beateth the air.* This phrase is taken from the habits of the pugilists or boxers, who were accustomed, before entering the lists, to exercise their limbs with the gauntlet, in order to acquire greater skill and dexterity. There was also, before the real contest commenced, a play with their fists and weapons, by way of show or bravado, which was called a mock-battle, or a fighting the air.

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Ch. X.—21. *The cup of devils*, or of 'demons.' This alludes to the libations that were offered in honour of heathen deities.

Ch. XI.—4. *Having his head covered.* With a veil, or turban, or cap, or whatever else is worn on the head. To remove the hat, the turban, or the covering of the head, is a mark of respect for a superior when in his presence. *Dishonoureth his head.* There are various interpretations of this as it was idolatrous, ridiculous, superstitious, &c. Barnes says, 'He dishonoureth Christ as his head, that is, he does not, in his presence and in his service, observe the usual and proper custom by which subordinate station is recognised, and which indicates respect for a superior.' 14, 15. *If a man have long hair, it is a shame—if a woman, it is a glory.* The men shave all the hair off their heads excepting one lock; and those that wear their hair are thought effeminate. Both these particulars are mentioned by Chardin, who says, 'They are agreeable to the custom of the East: the men are shaved, the women nourish their hair with great fondness, which they lengthen by tresses and tufts of silk, down to their heels. The young men who wear their hair in the East, are looked upon as effeminate and infamous.'

II. CORINTHIANS.

Ch. II.—14. *Causeth us to triumph in Christ.* Here is an allusion to the custom of victorious generals, who, in their triumphal processions, carried some of their relations with them in their chariot. *And maketh manifest the savour, &c.* In triumphs, the streets through which the victorious generals passed were strewed with flowers, the people also were used to throw flowers into the triumphal car as it passed along. This, as well as the other customs observed in triumphal processions, was derived from the Greeks, who in that manner honoured the conquerors in the games, when they entered into their respective cities. Plutarch tells us, that in triumphal processions the streets were 'full of incense.' 16. *The savour of death unto death.* All who are acquainted with ancient history know that the captives of greatest note followed the triumphal chariot in chains, and that some of them had their lives granted to them; whereas others were put to death immediately after the procession was over. Wherefore to such the smell of the flowers and of the incense, with which the procession was accompanied, was a savour of life, ending in their death. But to those captives who had their lives granted to them, this was a smell of life unto life, that is, a vivifying refreshing smell, which gave them the assurance of life, and increased its enjoyment.

Ch. III.—1. *Epistles of commendations, &c.* Letters of introduction were common among the Greeks, the Romans, and the Jews as they are now. They were usually given to persons who were about to travel, as there were no inns, and as travellers were dependant on the hospitality of those among whom they travelled.

Ch. IV.—7. *But we have this treasure in earthen vessels.* Here is probably an allusion to the ancient method of hiding treasures of money in earthen vessels or pots.—Dr. Macknight.

Ch. XI.—33. *Through a window in a basket.* It is curious that the monks of Sinai hoist their visitors in a basket into the window of their convent, the door being shut on account of plundering Arabs. The expedient was common. A place, said to be the same here alluded to, is still shewn at Damascus.

GALATIANS.

Ch. III.—1. *Who hath bewitched you?* The allusion is to the popular error which prevailed in the East, and in more civilised countries, and at a nearer period—that of fascination, or bewitching with the eye. It was believed among the heathens that great mischief might ensue from an evil eye, or from being regarded with envious or malicious looks. Hence, Pliny relates, that 'among the Illyrians, &c. there were certain enchanters, who, with their looks, could bewitch and kill those whom they beheld for a considerable time, especially if they did so with angry eyes.' 24. *The law was our schoolmaster.* This properly means pedagogue. Schoolmaster does not express the nature of the office here referred to. The pedagogue was a servant, often a freed-man, and sometimes a slave, who attended the children of great men to their exercises and to schools; also the servant who taught children their letters and superintended their behaviour. They were generally persons of rigid manners. Bloomfield conjectures that they also attended the study of their lessons, and assisted them in preparing for the master. They also attended at public spectacles.

Ch. IV.—10. *Ye observe days, &c.* The days here referred to are doubtless the days of the Jewish festivals. They had numerous days of such observances; and in addition to those specified in the Old Testament, the Jews had added many others, as days commemorative of the destruction and rebuilding of the Temple, and of other important events in their history.

EPHESIANS.

Ch. I.—13. *Sealed.* It is certain that many allusions in this Epistle will appear the clearer when it is borne in mind that the goddess Diana was zealously worshipped at Ephesus; and Hewlett, by his note here, seems to think that the present allusion may receive some illustration from the fact, that those who were initiated into the mysteries of Diana received a seal or ring, with the figure of a he-goat, as the mark of their initiation.

Ch. II.—2. *Prince of the power of the air.* Satan is so called probably with reference to the Jewish notion, that the air was peopled by evil spirits. But, indeed, the heathen also were familiar with the idea that the air was inhabited, or pervaded, by spiritual beings—demons; and this was, in particular, a dogma of the Pythagorean philosophy, with which the Ephesians were imbued.

Ch. IV.—8. *Led captivity captive.* That is, led vanquished enemies captive. The Apostle has been thought to allude to a custom of the triumphal processions of Roman conquerors, in which the captives were led in chains behind the car of the victor. Captives of the highest rank were in general reserved for this purpose. The custom was not peculiar to the Romans, but prevailed from the most remote antiquity in Egypt and the East.

Ch. V.—18. *Be not drunk with wine.* There may here be some allusion to the notorious Bacchanalia of the heathen. Those dissolute ceremonies were celebrated in honour of the god of wine, and during their continuance men and women made it a point of religion to intoxicate themselves, and ran tumultuously about the streets, fields, and vineyards, with wild songs and shoutings. Scarcely a sober person could be found any where.

PHILIPPIANS.

Ch. II.—15. *Among whom ye shine as lights in the world.* This metaphor has an allusion to the buildings which we call light-houses, the most illustrious of which was raised in the island of Pharos (see note and cut end of Phil.) The Colossus at Rhodes held in one hand a flame which enlightened the whole bay. These lights were also sometimes moveable, and were used to direct the marches of the caravans in the night. Pitts thus describes them: 'They are somewhat like iron stoves, into which they put short dry wood which some of the camels are loaded with. Every cotter hath one of these poles belonging to it, some of which have ten, some twelve of these lights on their tops, and they are likewise of different figures, one perhaps oval, another triangular, or like an N or M, &c., and that every one known by them his respective cotter. They are carried in the front and set up in the place where the caravan is to pitch, before that comes up, at some distance from one another.'—Pococke, &c.

Ch. III.—14. *I press toward the mark, for the prize.* The Apostle often evidently refers to the chariot race which was run in the stadium. Four chariots started at the same time for the goal, which was at the further extremity of the stadium. The charioteer who reached it first was the conqueror. Other competitors presented themselves, and the course was run again by four at a time, as in the first instances. The one who successively gained the victory over all that presented themselves won the crown, which was woven of branches of various trees, and though of

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small value in itself, was esteemed in the highest degree honourable. A crown of this kind was given, not only to those who came off victors in the chariot race, but to those also who succeeded in conquests of a different kind. Wherever the victor went he received a branch of palm, he was robed in a splendid dress, and escorted with the highest honours to his city and his home.

COLOSSIANS.

Ch. II.—14. *Nailing it to his cross.* An allusion to the ancient custom of abrogating laws, by driving a nail through the tables on which they were written and hung up to public view.

Ch. III.—3. *Your life is hid with Christ in God.* A figurative expression probably derived from the custom of hiding valuable property in times of danger and alarm.

Ch. IV.—13. *Hierapolis.* A city of Phrygia, now called Pambouk-Kalesi, was situated six miles north of Laodicea; and its ruins are now about a mile and a half in circumference.

II. THESSALONIANS.

Ch. II.—4. *He as God, &c.* When the Pope visited Leghorn several years ago, the great square of the town presented a scene worthy of being noticed. An immense multitude crowded the square to excess. The Pope appeared and all fell on their knees. His holiness then stood over the kneeling multitude and pronounced his benediction. It was one of those scenes which irresistibly led the spectators to the prophetic words regarding the Man of Sin, "He, as God, sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."—Scottish Narrative. In the Pope's own medal, given below, Papal Rome is represented as holding out her cup, as if the cup of salvation, while she bears in her left hand the sign of the cross —her proud motto being, 'She sits upon the universe.'



I. TIMOTHY.

Ch. IV.—2. *Seared as with a hot iron.* The use of the cautery was common among the ancient doctors, as it still is in the East. Hence the allusion.

Ch. VI.—8. *Having food and raiment let us be therewith content.* House-room is not mentioned, being the least of the wants of a man in the East.—Bloomfield.

II. TIMOTHY.

Ch. II.—4. *No man that warreth entangleth himself.* Roman soldiers were not allowed to marry or suffered to engage in agriculture, merchandize, or mechanical employments; and they were forbidden to act as tutors to any persons, or curators to any man's estate, or proctors in the cause of other men. The general principle was that they were excluded from those relations, agencies, and engagements, which it was thought would direct their minds from that which was to be the sole object of pursuit. 5. *Yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.* In the agonistical contests, he who transgressed the rules in the least matter, not only failed of the prize, even though the apparent victor, but was sometimes disgraced and punished.

Ch. IV.—16. *No man stood with me.* The friends of the accused appeared in the Roman courts habited in mourning, to show their respect for them. But it seems the cruel persecutions of the Christians at Rome under Nero, which are thought to have preceded the writing of this Epistle, now deterred them. Numbers had been put to death in the most dreadful manner, or driven from the city, and the rest seem in consequence to have been greatly intimidated.

TITUS.

Ch. I.—12. *The Cretians are always liars.* To be a Cretian became synonymous with being a liar, in the same way as to be a Corinthian, became synonymous with living a licentious life.

Ch. II.—5. *Keepers at home.* Jealousy is so common and powerful among the people of the East, that their wives are very much confined to their houses. Russell informs us that the Turks of Aleppo, being very jealous, keep their women as much at home as they can, so that it is but seldom that they are allowed to visit each other. Necessity, however, obliges the husbands to suffer them to go often to the bagnio, and Mondays and Thursdays are a sort of licensed days for them to visit the tombs of their deceased relations, which furnishes them with an opportunity of walking abroad in the gardens or fields; they have so contrived that almost every Thursday in the spring bears the name of some particular sheik (or saint) whose tomb they must visit on that day. (Their cemeteries and gardens are out of their cities in common.) By this means the greatest part of the Turkish women of the city get abroad to breathe the fresh air at such seasons, unless confined (as is not uncommon) to their houses, by order of the bashaw, and so deprived even of that little freedom which custom had procured them from their husbands.—S. Burder. 10. *Not purloining.* The domestic slaves of the Romans, and doubtless of others in this age, were notoriously addicted to pilfering the property of their masters, and to fraudulent practices in buying and selling for them. The masters were obliged to be always watchful and on their guard, and locks and seals were in great requisition.—Kitto.

HEBREWS.

Ch. XI.—24. *The son of Pharaoh's daughter.* Pharaoh signifies the sun. It was through the well known system of analogies that the king obtained this title, being the chief of earthly, as the sun was of heavenly bodies. The name is Phra in Hebrew, and is taken from the Egyptian word Pire, signifying the sun; Pharaoh is an unwarranted corruption.—Wilkinson. 26. *Greater riches than the treasures of Egypt.* That the riches of the country were immense is proved by the appearance of the furniture and ornaments, enamels, and by the great quantity of jewels of gold, silver, precious stones, and other objects of luxury in use among the Egyptians in the earliest times; their treasures became proverbial throughout the neighbouring states, and a love of pomp and splendour continued to be the ruling passion of the Egyptians till the latest period of their existence as an independent state, which is fully demonstrated by the history of the celebrated Cleopatra.—Wilkinson.

Ch. XII —1. *Compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses.* An allusion, doubtless, to the ancient games. A great multitude of spectators usually occupied the circular seats in the amphitheatre, from which they could easily behold the combatants. *Let us lay aside every weight.* There is allusion here doubtless to runners in the games, who were careful not to encumber themselves with anything that was heavy. Hence their clothes were so made as not to impede their running, and hence they were careful in their training not to overburden themselves with food, and in every way to remove what would be an impediment or hindrance. 4. *Not yet resisted unto blood.* There is here undoubtedly a continuance of the allusion to the agonistic games.—The wrestlings and wrestlings for mastery there. In those games the boxers were accustomed to arm themselves for the fight with the cestus. This at first consisted of strong leathern

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thongs wound around the hands and extending only to the wrist, to give greater solidity to the fist. Afterwards these were made to extend to the elbow, and then to the shoulder; and finally, they sowed pieces of lead or iron in them that they might strike a heavier and more destructive blow. The consequence was, that those who were engaged in the fight were often covered with blood, and that resistance "unto blood" showed a determined courage, and a purpose not to yield.

JAMES.

Ch. I.—1. *The twelve tribes—scattered abroad.* There were properly two dispersions, the eastern beyond the Euphrates, and the western commencing in the time of Alexander. This increased so much, that, in the Apostle's age, all the commercial and manufacturing cities of Syria, Egypt, and other parts of the sea-coast of Africa, Asia Minor, Greece, Italy, and Spain, were full of them. 11. *The sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat.* The sun, in those countries, as soon as it gets high, say about ten o'clock, produces the burning heat mentioned, which some needlessly understand of the burning wind. 23. *In a glass.* The glasses or mirrors in the East, were anciently made of polished steel. (See note and cut Ex. xxxviii. 8.)

Ch. IV.—13. *We will go into such a city—and buy and sell, &c.* Most of the Eastern merchants are, and have ever been, more or less pedlars, going out for a year or more, and tarrying a longer or shorter time in a city. The Jews were thus constantly trading to Tyre, Babylon, Alexandria, Antioch, Ephesus, Corinth, Rome, &c.

I. PETER.

Ch. III.—3. *Let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair.* Roman women used to take as much as eight hours at a time at their toilet to have their hair plaited by their female slaves. And so particular were they, that if a single hair was pulled out they have sometimes caused a slave to be whipped for it, and even put to death for not doing it to please them. This abuse of a practice otherwise neat in itself, was what the Apostle condemned.

I. JOHN.

Ch. II.—1. *My little children:* or, my dear children. John was then in all probability the only surviving apostle, and most of the Christians were young in years compared with himself. The diminutive is commonly used by way of endearment, and to express peculiar affection.

JUDE.

Ver. 12. *Feasts of charity.* Many think these were the agapæ, or love feasts, sacred meals which, among the early Christians, preceded the eucharist and afterwards succeeded it, to which all, especially the rich, furnished their contributions; but there is a different opinion, namely, that the reference is simply to the eating of the Lord's supper.

ORIENTAL ILLUSTRATIONS TO THE REVELATION.

Ch. I.—1. *His angel.* In the style of prophecy from whence the expressions in the Revelation are chiefly taken, every thing is called an angel that notifies a message from God, or executes the will of God. A prophetic dream, winds, and flames of fire, &c., these are used by God as voices to teach us; so that God revealed by his angel was be made known by voice, by dream, by vision, or any other manner of true prophetic revelation. 4, 11. *The seven churches which are in Asia—Ephesus.* (See note and cut end of Eph.) *Laodicea.* (See note and cut end of Col.) For the other churches, see notes and cuts end of Rev.

Ch. II.—1. *Walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks.* An expression taken from the office of the priests, in dressing the lamps, which was to keep them always burning before the Lord. 17. *A white stone, and in the stone a new name written.* It was the custom in Greece to give judgments and votes by white and black stones: the white being a token of absolution or approbation, the black of condemnation or rejection. In the public games also these stones were used; the victor's reward being assigned to him by a *white* stone, on which was inscribed his name and the value of his prize.

Ch. III.—5. *Shall be clothed in white raiment.* White or shining garments were marks of favour and honour; under the law they were the garments of the priests, and worn in the courts of princes. Thus Pharaoh honoured Joseph by arraying him in vestures of fine linen, as well as putting a gold chain about his neck. *The book of life.* An allusion to the registers in which the names of parties were enrolled and by which they had a claim to certain privileges. In such registers the genealogies of the priests were kept, in which, if a man were not registered, he was rejected, as not belonging to the family of priests; or if any would prove their right to the privilege of free citizens, they were to show their names in the common registers.

Ch. V.—8. *Harps, and golden vials full of odours.* Harps were a principal part of the temple music, to which allusion is here made. Vials were also of common use in the temple service; they were not like small bottles, which we now call vials, but were like cups on a plate, in allusion to the censers of gold in which the priests offered incense in the Temple. These censers were a sort of cups, which, because of the heat of the fire burning the incense, were often put upon a plate or saucer. The common custom of drinking tea, and other hot liquors, out of a tea-cup and saucer, will shew the form of these censers.

Ch. XIX.—10. *I fell at his feet to worship him.* This appears to have been the act of homage usually paid to great men in the East, and which was now performed under impressions more solemn than those which were made by the presence of princes and kings. Mr. Bruce thus describes the ceremony now alluded to. 'The next remarkable ceremony in which these two nations (of Persia and Abyssinia) agreed, is that of adoration, invariably observed in Abyssinia to this day, as often as you enter the sovereign's presence. This is not only kneeling, but absolute prostration: you first fall upon your knees, then upon the palms of your hands, then incline your head and body till your forehead touches the ground; and, in case you have an answer to expect, you lie in that posture till the king, or somebody from him, desires you to rise.'

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